

EOP Review Whitepaper Progress Update

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Consideration for EA Limitation

- **At the 5/28 ICS meeting, the NYISO concluded that the current emergency assistance (EA) assumptions result in optimistic support from the external areas in the IRM study**
 - This is based on the review of the IRM data, operational experience, future outlooks of the entire Northeast region, and discussion with external areas
 - [5/30 ICS Presentation](#)
- **To consider limitations for the EA assumptions, the NYISO reviewed the current external area model and data and considered modeling options**
- **The presentation covers the following topics:**
 - Current external area modeling in the IRM study
 - Modeling consideration
 - Data analysis update
 - Consideration for advancement of EA in the IRM model

External Area Model

- **The database for the external area are based on the NPCC regional reliability study which typically show large amount of surplus in the external areas**
 - Significant adjustments are needed to be compliant with Policy 5 requirements
- **Policy 5 requires the external areas to be modeled no better than the area's Resource Adequacy criteria and not higher than the referenced reserve margin.**
 - The requirement requires that NYCA's IRM is not determined based on depending on extra capacity in external area beyond its adequacy criteria
 - This is in addition to the alignment of top 3 summer peak load days between NYCA and external areas
- **However, such adjustments do not represent how capacity is maintained in the external area to achieve its respected reserve margin / RA criteria**

External Area Model (con'd)

- **Significant adjustments were applied in the external data in the 2023-2024 IRM FBC in order to be compliant with Policy 5 requirements**
 - The adjustments are not aligned with the delta between the anticipated margin and reference margin reported in the 2021 LTRA
 - The resulting modeled margins for external area are also not aligned with the areas' reference margins based on respected RA study

Area	Modeled in the 2023-2024 IRM FBC				2023 Margins <i>(established – 2021 LTRA)</i>	
	Load	<i>Adjustments (on top of removal of shape-based units)</i>	Margins	LOLE	Anticipated <i>(Net Demand vs. Firm Capacity)</i>	Reference <i>(Based on Individual Area Study)</i>
IESO	24,227	-5,370	114.6%	0.103	117.4%	115.9%
ISONE	28,555	-4,900	109.7%	0.102	130.0%	113.4%
HQ	39,469	+1,775	108.8%	0.108	111.9%	110.8%
PJM	149,941	-28,800	114.4%	0.173	136.8%	114.4%

Modeling Considerations

- **To improve the modeling with more limiting EA assumptions, a number of options have been considered:**
 1. Improve the external area data to reflect more detailed representation of the external systems
 2. Increase the targeted LOLE for external area under Policy 5 adjustment (e.g. 0.2 LOLE instead of 0.1 LOLE)
 3. Including EOPs in the external area modeling during Policy 5 adjustments
 4. Implement additional limits on topology to restrict EA flows
- **The NYISO consider the following factors in screening the modeling options:**
 - Feasibility: is it possible to implement the modeling option?
 - Seasonality: is it possible to support winter modeling?
 - LFU Bin Specific: is it possible to accommodate different assumptions for different LFU bins?
 - Goal of Policy 5: is it going to achieve the goal of Policy 5 of avoiding overdependence on external areas given the current model provides too optimistic EA support during the IRM simulation?
 - Justifiable and Repeatable: Is it based on a set of analysis/processes that can be repeated over time?
- **Based on the above considerations, the NYISO proposes to proceed with modeling option 4 to implement additional limits on topology to restrict EA flows**
 - Focusing on the analysis and processes that supports the additional topology limits

Modeling Considerations (con'd)

Options Considerations	1. Improve Data <i>- Get better and more detailed external data</i>	2. Increase LOLE <i>- Model the external area at higher LOLE</i>	3. Model EOPs <i>- Include the EOPs in the external area during Policy 5</i>	4. Topology limits <i>- Add limits to transfer capabilities into NYCA</i>
Feasibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited control over source data Lead time required to coordinate Not able to replicate external's own RA study 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be implemented easily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be implemented if EOP data is available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be implemented easily
Seasonality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depends on the seasonal representation of external data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The annual LOLE criteria will not facilitate seasonal assumptions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EOP steps are applied annually and will not facilitate seasonal assumptions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topology limits can be seasonal specific
LFU Bin Specific	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depends on the LFU bin specific modeling in external data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The annual LOLE criteria will not facilitate LFU bin specific assumptions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LFU bin specific assumption can be facilitated if structured in the EOP data Same application across all LFU bins is the current default 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topology limits can vary by LFU bins
Goal of Policy 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May not address the issue of overly optimistic EA support in the current model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Likely address the issue of overly optimistic EA support in the current model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Including EOPs will result in holding more MW in external areas (except for IESO) and therefore will lead to more optimistic EA support compared to the current model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Likely address the issue of overly optimistic EA support in the current model
Justifiable and Repeatable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Owners are on the external areas to submit representative data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher than required criteria is arbitrary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Owners are on the external areas to provide up-to-date EOP data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depends on the analysis supporting the additional topology limits

Historical Data Analysis

- **As discussed at the 5/30 ICS meeting, NYISO to perform review with the historical data of extra reserves available in the external areas**
 - The extra reserves data for each of the external areas is extracted for the period of 2021-2023
 - Historical data for PJM is only available for 2021-2023
 - NYCA load as % to peak load forecast is also extracted for the same period
 - Such extra reserves are the available reserve MW beyond an area's reserve requirements
 - Data from the IESO is adjusted to account for the Industrial Conservation Program due to the magnitude of impacts
- **The NYISO reviews the amount of extra reserves during NYCA's high load period, both at the aggregated level and at the individual area level**
 - This approach is similar to the 2017 External Area Whitepaper
- **NYISO plans to present the review of the historical data at the next ICS meeting**
 - The revised timeline is due to the delay in receiving data from PJM

Regional Future Conditions

- **However, it is important to note that analysis with historical data will not reflect certain designed weather conditions (e.g. LFU Bin 1 or 2) or emergency conditions**
 - Assessment with future conditions need to be considered
- **The Reliability Assessment conducted by NPCC and NERC shows low operating margins in Ontario and New England for summer 2023 at all forecast levels**
 - Low operating margin indicates that the area may need to rely on operating procedures and support from other neighbors to maintain reliability
 - Ontario may need to rely on more than 2,000 MW of non-firm supply from other areas should the known outages cannot be rescheduled

Regional Future Conditions (con'd)

Table 4-4: New England Operable Capacity Forecast (MW)

Week Beginning June 25, 2023	50/50 Forecast	90/10 Forecast	Above 90/10 Forecast
Installed Capacity (+)	28,869	28,869	28,869
Net Interchange (+)	1,030	1,030	1,030
Dispatchable DSM (+)	447	447	447
Total Capacity	30,346	30,346	30,346
Peak Demand Forecast (-)	24,664	26,479	28,154
Interruptible Load (+)	0	0	0
Known Maintenance & Derates (-)	346	346	346
Operating Reserve Requirement (-)	2,305	2,305	2,305
Unplanned Outages (-)	2,800	2,800	2,800
Operating Margin	231	-1,584	-3,259
Operating Margin (%)	0.9	-6.0	-11.6

Table 4-6: Ontario Operable Capacity Forecast²² (MW)

Summer 2023	50/50 Forecast	90/10 Forecast	Above 90/10 Forecast
Installed Capacity (+)	38,273	38,273	38,273
Net Interchange (+)	223	223	223
Dispatchable DSM (+)	687	687	687
Total Capacity	39,183	39,183	39,183
Interruptible Load (+)	0	0	0
Known Maintenance & Derates (-)	13,690	14,704	14,722
Operating Reserve Requirement (-)	1,401	1,401	1,401
Unplanned Outages (-)	1,565	873	873
Peak Load Forecast (-)	22,439	24,420	27,021
Operating Margin	88	-2,438	-5,058
Operating Margin (%)	0.4	-10.0	-18.7

Source: NPCC Reliability Assessment for Summer 2023

Winter Consideration

- **NPCC's most recent winter assessment (2022-2023) shows low margins in New England and Quebec, beyond the 50/50 forecast level**
 - Fuel deliverability risk for gas generators is one of the factors impacting New England's winter margin
 - MMU analysis on the gas availability shows that pipeline limits to New England impact the availability of gas generation in eastern NY under moderately cold winter weather
 - Quebec is a winter peaking system and typically requires external support during winter season.
 - All time peak demand record in Quebec has been set two years in a row (40,500 MW in 2022 and 42,700 MW in 2023)
- **PJM announced significant shift in reliability risk to the winter based on preliminary analysis with updated reliability risk modeling (*5/30 Stakeholder Presentation*)**
- **IESO's 2022 Annual Planning Outlook shows switching to winter peaking system in early 2030s, and can be further advanced with significant electrification uptake in the industrial sector (*2022 Annual Planning Outlook*)**
 - Summer peaking was forecasted to continue beyond 2040 in the 2021 Planning Outlook

Advancing EA Consideration

- **As part of the scope for this Whitepaper, the appropriateness for advancing EA prior to EOPs in the IRM model needs to be reviewed**
 - At this point, the NYISO aims to develop a more conservative EA modeling. Advancing EA prior to EOPs will offset some level of conservatism in the revised EA modeling
 - Advancing EA prior to EOPs can improve the current ELR functionality. However, the effect of advancing EA will need to be reviewed with the potential revised modeling for SCRs
 - Preliminary analysis indicates sizable level of advanced EA will be needed to have meaningful impact on the ELR performance.
- **NYISO recommends not to consider advancing EA prior to EOPs in the IRM model under this whitepaper**
 - Additional review can resume when revised modeling for SCRs is recommended

Next Steps

- **The NYISO to present the review of historical extra reserve data and potential IRM implications at the 8/2 ICS meeting**
- **The NYISO to also discuss initial recommendations for the EOP whitepaper at the 8/2 meeting**
 - The NYISO aims propose seasonal, area and LFU bin – specific recommendations
 - The NYISO also aims develop process to review and update the EA assumptions on a regular basis
- **The NYISO aims to have the draft whitepaper report for ICS review at the 8/30 meeting**

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