

**To:** Participants Committee

**From:** Marc Lyons, Secretary – Reliability Committee

**Date:** March 1, 2010

**Subject:** **ACTIONS OF THE RELIABILITY COMMITTEE**

This memo is to notify the Participants Committee (“PC”) of the actions taken by the Reliability Committee (“RC”) at its February 26, 2010 meeting. All sectors had a quorum.

**(Agenda Item 2.0) NUC-001 Reliability Standards and Associated ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 1A, 14, 14A, and Planning Procedure 3, 5-1, 5-3 Changes**

It was moved and seconded to recommend Participants Committee support for revision of ISO New England Operating Procedures No. 1A, 14, and 14A (OP 1A, OP 14, OP 14A) along with ISO New England Planning Procedures 3, 5-1, and 5-3 (PP 3, PP 5-1, PP 5-3), together with such other changes as discussed and agreed to at the meeting] and such other non-material changes as may be approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Reliability Committee following the meeting. The revisions of OP 1A, 14, 14A, PP 3, PP 5-1, and PP 5-3 apply to NERC requirements for coordination between nuclear plant operators and transmission entities for ensuring safety of plant operations and shutdown.

The motion to recommend Participants Committee approval was passed, based on a show of hands, with none opposed and no abstentions.

**(Agenda Item 3.1) PTF Cost Allocation - TCA Application CMP-09-TCA-03**

It was moved and seconded to recommend ISO New England Inc. approval of, as PTF investment, the Pool-Supported PTF costs associated with Proposed Plan Application CMP-07-T03, for the construction of the Woodstock breaker-and-a-half substation, as described in the Central Maine Power’s (“CMP”) TCA Application CMP-09-TCA-03, submitted December 28, 2009, updated February 22, 2010; with estimated Pool-Supported PTF costs of \$14,501,000 (2009 Dollars) for the construction on the Woodstock Substation and the rebuild of line section 211 with 1113 ACSR conductor and estimated non-PTF costs of \$4,301,000 (2009 Dollars) for the termination of the existing 115/34.5 kV transformer T1 at one end bus and a new 115/34.5 kV transformer T2 at the other end bus.

The motion to recommend ISO approval of Pool-Supported PTF costs passed based on a show of hands, with none opposed and no abstentions.

**(Agenda Item 3.2) PTF Cost Allocation - TCA Application CMP-09-TCA-02-Rev. 1**

It was moved and seconded to recommend ISO New England Inc. approval of, as PTF investment, the Pool-Supported PTF costs associated with Proposed Plan Application CMP-09-T01, for the construction of the Section 241 Line, a 115 kV transmission line parallel to the existing Section 83 transmission line, as described in the Central Maine Power Company's ("CMP") TCA Application CMP-09-TCA-02 Rev 1, submitted January 11, 2010, estimated Pool-Supported PTF costs are \$32,789,000 (2011 Dollars) for the construction of approximately 38.8 miles of a new 115 kV transmission line, and estimated non-PTF costs of \$55,000 (2011 Dollars) are for the installation of a 115 kV switch at the Lakewood Tap.

The motion to recommend ISO approval of Pool-Supported PTF costs passed based on a show of hands, with none opposed and no abstentions.

**(Agenda Item 4.2) Belmont Substation – Proposed Plan Application (“PPA”) BMLD-10-T01**

It was moved and seconded to recommend to ISO New England Inc. that no significant adverse impacts will result from Belmont Municipal Light Department's ("BMLD") Proposed Plan Application ("PPA") BMLD-10-T01 to perform the following as detailed in Mr. Timothy Richardson's January 7, 2010 transmittal to Mr. Don Gates, Chair, Reliability Committee:

**BMLD-10-T01** – Transmission Notification from Belmont Municipal Light Department ("BMLD") to construct a new 115 kV to 13.8 kV distribution substation interconnected to two existing 115 kV underground cables running between North Cambridge Station and Brighton Station. Both circuits are to be extended to a ring bus in the new substation that will interconnect two new 115 kV to 13.8 kV transformers. Ring bus will be equipped with redundant high speed relaying to comply with NPCC BPS requirements. Proposed in service date is 2012.

The in-service date of the proposed project is 2012. It is recommended that the Project would not have a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of Belmont Municipal Light Department, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of a Market Participant, is based on the Project analysis, as described in the report, "Belmont Transmission Interconnection I.3.9 Study Report" (February 10, 2010)

The motion to recommend a determination of no adverse effects passed based on a show of hands with none opposed and no abstentions.

**(Agenda Item 7.0) Variable Energy Resources Notice of Inquiry**

*Resolved*, that the Reliability Committee recommends Participants Committee support for NEPOOL comments to be filed in response to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Notice of Inquiry regarding the Integration of Variable Energy Resources consistent with the NEPOOL comment outline distributed to the Reliability Committee for its February 26, 2010 meeting, together with any changes agreed to at that meeting, and any non-substantive changes approved by the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee.

The motion to recommend Participants Committee approval was passed, based on a show of hands, with none opposed and 8 abstentions (1 Supplier Sector, 2 Alternative Resource Sector, 5 End User Sector)

**(Agenda Item 10.0) Revision to MR 1, Section 12.9 for Compliance with FERC Order ER10-438**

RESOLVED, that the Reliability Committee recommends that the Participants Committee support the change to Section III.12.9 to Market Rule 1 in response to the compliance requirement contained in Paragraphs 79-81 of the February 12, 2010 order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. ER10-438-000, as proposed by ISO New England Inc. and as circulated for this meeting with such further non-substantive changes as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Reliability Committee approve.

The motion to recommend Participants Committee approval was passed, based on a show of hands, with none opposed and 6 abstentions (1 Generation Sector, 1 Transmission Sector, 2 Supplier Sector, 2 End User Sector)

**(Agenda Item 11.1) ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 2A (OP 2A)**

It was moved and seconded to recommend Participants Committee support for revision of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 2A (OP 2A), together with such other changes as discussed and agreed to at the meeting] and such other non-material changes as may be approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Reliability Committee following the meeting. The revision of OP 2A – Maintenance of Communications, Computers, Metering and Computer Support Equipment – Itemized Equipment, provides for an update to the Appendix to reflect installation of Remote Terminal Units (RTU) at the Demand Designated Entity.

The motion to recommend Participants Committee approval was passed, based on a show of hands, with none opposed and no abstentions.

**(Agenda Item 11.2) ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 18G (OP 18G)**

It was moved and seconded to recommend Participants Committee support for revision of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 18G (OP 18G), together with such other changes as discussed and agreed to at the meeting] and such other non-material changes as may be approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Reliability Committee following the meeting. The revision of OP 18G – Metering and Telemetry Criteria - Demand Response RTU Specifications, provides for a technical specification update to as built Remote Terminal Units (RTU).

The motion to recommend Participants Committee approval was passed, based on a show of hands, with none opposed and no abstentions.