

OEP Staff will lend an all-participants discussion of issues regarding:

- How best to involve landowners and communities.
- How best to work with applicants and agencies;
- How to coordinate with multiple agencies/jurisdictions;
- How to get information on the need for a project; and
- How to describe workspace/right-of-way requirements.

3:55—Summary of the Day

Directions to: Holiday Inn City Centre [813-223-1351]

• Holiday Inn City Centre is located at 111 West Fortune Street, Tampa, FL 33602

• Take Interstate I-275 to exit #25—Ashley Street; Keep bearing right (Fortune St. will “Y” into Ashley St.—stay right); Holiday Inn is on the right side of the street.

#### *Future Meetings?*

Between now and September of 2001, we will conduct additional seminars at locations around the country. Locations for the meetings will be selected based on the history of past, present and especially future pipeline projects where interstate natural gas markets are developing or expanding.

Areas we are considering for meetings include:

Boston, Massachusetts/Portland, Maine Area.—March/April, 2001  
Seattle/Puget Sound Washington—May/June, 2001 and/or  
Reno, Nevada or Salt Lake City, Utah—July/August, 2001

If you care to voice your opinion about these or other areas, please follow the instructions for contacting us in the notice.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER00-3591-000, ER00-1969-001, ER01-94-000, and ER01-180-000]

### New York Independent System Operator, Inc.; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

January 11, 2001.

The December 11, 2000, notice in this proceeding indicated that a technical conference will be held on January 22 and 23, 2001. That conference will be held in Hearing Rooms 5 and 6 (which will be combined to form one large

room) at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The conference will commence at 9:30 a.m. on January 22, 2001.

The agenda for the conference is set forth below. To facilitate efficient discussion, the various industry sectors should designate a spokesperson for their sector, although additional views may be stated as necessary. By 5:00 p.m. on January 18, 2001, participants should inform Stanley Wolf at 202-208-0891 or [stanley.wolf@ferc.fed.us](mailto:stanley.wolf@ferc.fed.us) or Penny Murrell at 202-208-0531 or [penny.murrell@ferc.fed.us](mailto:penny.murrell@ferc.fed.us), who the spokesperson for the industry sectors are, and for which sessions/topics listed below. If the industry sector cannot reach consensus on its selection of spokespersons, members of that sector may separately inform Mr. Wolf or Ms. Murrell of their selections. Staff may select some or all of these to participate in the discussions. Rather than repeat at length prior pleadings, spokespersons are requested to merely refer to such pleadings where appropriate.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

### Technical Conference Schedule

#### *Day 1: Morning Session 9:30-12:30*

#### I. State of the Markets—Panel—3 hours

This panel will be comprised of a representative from each sector including, NYISO, Transmisison Owners, the Public Service Commission of New York State, Generators, Power Marketers, Endusers, and Public Power and Environment. The discussion will focus on the overall state of NYISO's markets; how things are going overall; whether the markets are generally working; what the major problems are in the markets; whether there are structural issues; whether there are any major problems with market rules and, if so, the solutions to the problems. This session will include a presentation by NYISO's Project Priority Team on the current status of its efforts to identify and assign priorities to the tasks facing the NYISO, focusing on preparations for the Summer 2001.

Lunch

#### *Day 1: Afternoon Session 1:30-6:00*

#### II. Energy Markets: What needs to be in place by Summer 2001? 3½ hours

This session will start with a presentation by NYISO on the changes that are proposed to be in place by Summer 2001. Discussions can include the details of the specific projects and whether the priorities proposed for these projects are reasonable. The

discussion may include the following topics:

NYISO “hybrid” fixed block generation pricing proposal  
Out of merit commitment  
Prorata curtailments  
System security and adequacy during Summer 2001  
Other reliability concerns  
NO<sub>x</sub> issues  
Demand Response Mechanism  
Billing issues  
Data posting requirements  
Communication and market information issues

#### III. Non-Spinning Reserves Markets—1 hour

This presentation will begin with a presentation by NYISO regarding the state of its NSR markets and the projects underway to make this a more competitive market. Discussions will follow concerning the short-term and long-term problems associated with these markets and the changes that are necessary to address these problems. Topics include:

Competitiveness of 10-minute non-spinning reserves markets  
Physical self-supply of operating reserves  
Use of western resources to meet operating reserves requirements  
Locational pricing

#### *Day 2: Morning Session 9:30-12:00*

#### IV. Market Protection Measures—2½ hours

This session will include a presentation by NYISO regarding the use of its authority under its TEP. Discussions should follow regarding the extent of NYISO's price corrections and issuances of Extraordinary Corrective Actions (ECAs) under this authority and whether certain authority of the TEP should continue temporarily or if certain authority should be made a permanent part of the tariff. Participants may also discuss participant proposals concerning various market protection measures such as: circuit breaker, bid caps, in-city mitigation, and expanded rate correction authority

Lunch

#### *Day 2: Afternoon Session 1:00-4:30*

#### V. Energy Markets: Longer-term Fixes—2 hours

This session will start with a presentation by NYISO regarding the longer term changes necessary in its energy markets. Discussions can focus on the projects that will need to be in place in the longer term and whether the priorities established for these changes are reasonable. Topics include:

Central East constraint  
Generation  
Seams Issues (RTOs)—Impact of  
NYISO practices and procedures on  
regional transactions  
Balancing Market Evaluation (BME)  
performance and improvements  
Virtual bidding, trading hubs and  
other proposals enhancing liquidity

#### VI. Next Steps—1½ hours

This session will be used to finalize a list of priorities for projects in the energy and NSR markets and to establish deadlines for their completion. This session will also be used to establish any further procedures required, including setting dates for initial and reply comments.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6934-2]

### Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Science Advisory Board's (SAB's) Executive Committee will meet on the dates and times noted below. All times noted are Eastern Time. The meetings are open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a first come basis.

#### 1. Executive Committee— Teleconference Meeting—February 1, 2001

The U.S. EPA's Science Advisory Board (SAB) will conduct a public teleconference meeting on Thursday, February 1, 2001 between the hours of 1 and 3 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be coordinated through a conference call connection in Room 6013 in the U.S. EPA, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting in the conference room noted above. However, the public may also attend through a telephonic link, to the extent that lines are available. Additional instructions about how to participate in the conference call can be obtained by calling Ms. Diana Pozun no earlier than one week prior to the meeting (beginning on January 25) at (202) 564-4544, or via e-mail at [pozun.diana@epa.gov](mailto:pozun.diana@epa.gov).

*Purpose of the Meeting:* In this meeting, the Executive Committee plans to review reports from some of its

Committees/Subcommittee, most likely including the following:

(a) Natural Attenuation Research Subcommittee of the Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC) "Review of EPA's Natural Attenuation Research Program" (see 65 FR 60189, dated October 10, 2000 for details).

(b) Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC): "An SAB Advisory: A Review of ORIA's Use and Adaptation of GENII Environmental Radiation Dosimetry System, GENII Version 2 (v.2)" (see 65 FR 18095, dated April 6, 2000 for details).

*Availability of Review Materials:* Drafts of the reports that will be reviewed at the meeting will be available to the public on the SAB website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) by close-of-business on January 16, 2001.

*For Further Information:* Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit brief oral comments must contact Dr. Donald Barnes, Designated Federal Officer, Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 564-4533; FAX (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at [barnes.don@epa.gov](mailto:barnes.don@epa.gov). Requests for oral comments must be in writing (e-mail preferred) and received by Dr. Barnes no later than noon Eastern Time on January 25, 2001.

#### 2. Executive Committee—February 5-6, 2001

The U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board's (SAB's) Executive Committee will conduct a public meeting on Monday and Tuesday, February 5-6, 2001. The meeting will convene each day at 8:30 a.m. in Room 6013, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460. The meeting will adjourn no later than 5 p.m. each day.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* At this meeting, the Executive Committee will receive updates from its committees and subcommittees concerning their recent and planned activities. As part of these updates, some committees will present draft reports for Executive Committee review and approval. We anticipate that the following report will be completed by the SAB Subcommittee involved and be ready for Executive Committee review at this meeting, however, to determine if this, or any other reports are under consideration at this meeting, please contact Ms. Diana Pozun at (202) 564-4544 or [pozun.diana@epa.gov](mailto:pozun.diana@epa.gov). Draft report(s) will appear on the Science Advisory Board website

([www.epa.gov/sab](http://www.epa.gov/sab)) approximately two weeks prior to the meeting.

(a) Dioxin Reassessment Review Committee (DRRC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) "Review of EPA's Draft Exposure and Human Health Reassessment of 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-Dioxin (TCDD) and Related Compounds" (see 65 FR 60190, dated October 10, 2000 for details).

As part of this two day meeting, the Executive Committee will also: (a) Meet with various Agency officials to discuss matters of mutual interest; (b) receive briefings from Agency staff on various topics; and (c) discuss future business of the Board including projects for FY2001.

*Availability of Materials:* The draft meeting agenda and drafts of any reports that will be reviewed at the meeting will be available to the public on the SAB website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) by close-of-business on January 22, 2001.

*For Further Information:* Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting should contact Dr. Donald G. Barnes, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Executive Committee at U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; phone (202) 564-4533; fax (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at [barnes.don@epa.gov](mailto:barnes.don@epa.gov). Those wishing to submit brief oral comments should contact Dr. Barnes, *in writing*, no later than close of business January 29, 2001.

#### Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

It is the policy of the Science Advisory Board to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements.

*Oral Comments:* In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Deadlines for getting on the public speaker list for a meeting are given above. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting. *Written Comments:* Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written