INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AMONG THE

NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC.

AND

NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY

AND

ASTORIA ENERGY II LLC

Dated as of December 20, 2010

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STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

THIS STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION

AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 20th day of December 2010, by and among Astoria Energy II LLC, a limited liability corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware ("Developer" with a Large Generating Facility), the New York Independent System Operator, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York ("NYISO"), and the New York Power Authority, a corporate municipal instrumentality organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York ("Connecting_Transmission Owner"). Developer, the NYISO, or Connecting Transmission Owner each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively referred to as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, NYISO operates the Transmission System and Connecting Transmission Owner owns certain facilities included in the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Developer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Developer, NYISO, and Connecting Transmission Owner have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the New York State Transmission System;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in this Agreement with initial capitalization, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this Article 1. Terms used in this Agreement with initial capitalization that are not defined in this Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in Section 30.1 of Attachment X of the NYISO OATT or Attachment S of the NYISO OATT.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the transmission system owned, controlled or operated by the Connecting Transmission Owner that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

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Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affected Transmission Owner shall mean the New York public utility or authority (or its designated agent) other than the Connecting Transmission Owner that (i) owns facilities used for the transmission of Energy in interstate commerce and provides Transmission Service under the Tariff, and (ii) owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in a portion of the New York State Transmission System where System Deliverability Upgrades or System Upgrade Facilities are installed pursuant to Attachment X and Attachment S of the Tariff.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a person or entity, any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust or unincorporated organization, directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such person or entity. The term "control" shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct the management or policies of a person or an entity. A voting interest of ten percent or more shall create a rebuttable presumption of control.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of Capacity and Energy from resources to Loads while maintaining reliable operation of the New York State Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority, including but not limited to Environmental Law.

Applicable Reliability Councils shall mean the NERC, the NPCC and the NYSRC.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of the Applicable Reliability Councils, and the Transmission District to which the Developer's Large Generating Facility is directly interconnected, as those requirements and guidelines are amended and modified and in effect from time to time; provided that no Party shall waive its right to challenge the applicability or validity of any requirement or guideline as applied to it in the context of this Agreement.

Attachment Facilities shall mean the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and the Developer's Attachment Facilities. Collectively, Attachment Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Large Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System. Attachment Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner or Developer; described in Section 30.2.3 of the Large Facility Interconnection Procedures.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of this Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of this Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays.

Byway shall mean all transmission facilities comprising the New York State Transmission System that are neither Highways nor Other Interfaces. All transmission facilities in Zone J and Zone K are Byways.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a federal holiday.

Capacity Region shall mean one of three subsets of the Installed Capacity statewide markets comprised of Rest of State (Zones A through I), Long Island (Zone K), and New York City (Zone J).

Capacity Resource Interconnection Service ("CRIS") shall mean the service provided by NYISO to interconnect the Developer's Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System in accordance with the NYISO Deliverability Interconnection Standard, to enable the New York State Transmission System to deliver electric capacity from the Large Generating Facility, pursuant to the terms of the NYISO OATT.

Class Year Deliverability Study shall mean an assessment, conducted by the NYISO staff in cooperation with Market Participants, to determine the System Deliverability Upgrades required for each generation and merchant transmission project included in the Class Year Interconnection Facilities Study to interconnect to the New York State Transmission System in compliance with the NYISO Deliverability Interconnection Standard.

Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of Interconnection Requests is studied together, instead of serially, for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Large Generating Facility that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Large Generating Facility commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to this Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any information that is defined as confidential by Article 22 of this Agreement.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall mean the New York public utility or authority (or its designated agent) that (i) owns facilities used for the transmission of Energy in interstate commerce and provides Transmission Service under the Tariff, (ii) owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the New York State Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection, and (iii) is a Party to the Standard Large Interconnection Agreement.

Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by the Connecting Transmission Owner from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities.

Control Area shall mean an electric power system or combination of electric power systems to which a common automatic generation control scheme is applied in order to: (1) match, at all times, the power output of the Generators within the electric power system(s) and capacity and energy purchased from entities outside the electric power system(s), with the Load within the electric power system(s); (2) maintain scheduled interchange with other Control Areas, within the limits of Good Utility Practice; (3) maintain the frequency of the electric power system(s) within reasonable limits in accordance with Good Utility Practice; and (4) provide sufficient generating capacity to maintain Operating Reserves in accordance with Good Utility Practice. A Control Area must be certified by the NPCC.

Default shall mean the failure of a Party in Breach of this Agreement to cure such Breach in accordance with Article 17 of this Agreement.

Deliverability Interconnection Standard shall mean the standard that must be met by any Large Generating Facility proposing to interconnect to the New York State Transmission System and become a qualified Installed Capacity Supplier. To meet the NYISO Deliverability Interconnection Standard, the Developer of the proposed Large Generating Facility must, in accordance with the rules in Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, fund or commit to fund the System Deliverability Upgrades identified for its project in the Class Year Deliverability Study.

Developer shall mean an Eligible Customer developing a Large Generating Facility, proposing to connect to the New York State Transmission System, in compliance with the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard.

Developer's Attachment Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of this Agreement, that are located between the Large Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System. Developer's Attachment Facilities are sole use facilities.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure described in Article 27 of this Agreement for resolution of a dispute between the Parties.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which this Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties, subject to acceptance by the Commission, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the Commission.

Emergency State shall mean the condition or state that the New York State Power System is in when an abnormal condition occurs that requires automatic or immediate manual action to prevent or limit loss of the New York State Transmission System or Generators that could adversely affect the reliability of the New York State Power System.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service ("ERIS") shall mean the service provided by NYISO to interconnect the Developer's Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System in accordance with the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard, to enable the New York State Transmission System to receive Energy and Ancillary Services from the Large Generating Facility, pursuant to the terms of the NYISO OATT.

Engineering & Procurement (**E&P**) **Agreement** shall mean an agreement that authorizes Connecting Transmission Owner to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a *et seq.* ("FPA").

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Developer's device for the production of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Developer's Attachment Facilities.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net seasonal capacity of the Generating Facility and the aggregate net seasonal capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energy production devices.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to delineate acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over any of the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Developer, NYISO, Affected Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Highway shall mean 115 kV and higher transmission facilities that comprise the following NYCA interfaces: Dysinger East, West Central, Volney East, Moses South,

Central East/Total East, UPNY-SENY and UPNY-ConEd, and their immediately connected, in series, Bulk Power System facilities in New York State. Each interface shall be evaluated to determine additional "in series" facilities, defined as any transmission facility higher than 115 kV that (a) is located in an upstream or downstream zone adjacent to the interface and (b) has a power transfer distribution factor (DFAX) equal to or greater than five percent when the aggregate of generation in zones or systems adjacent to the upstream zone or zones which define the interface is shifted to the aggregate of generation in zones or systems adjacent to the downstream zone or zones which define the interface. In determining "in series" facilities for Dysinger East and West Central interfaces, the 115 kV and 230 kV tie lines between NYCA and PJM located in LBMP Zones A and B shall not participate in the transfer. Highway transmission facilities are listed in ISO Procedures.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Large Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Developer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by NYISO or a third party consultant for the Developer to determine a list of facilities (including Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades as identified in the Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the New York State Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 30.8 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 4 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Feasibility Study shall mean a preliminary evaluation of the system impact and cost of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System, the scope of which is described in Section 30.6 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean a Developer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System, or to increase the capacity of, or make a material modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Large Generating Facility that is interconnected with the New York State Transmission System.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following studies: the Interconnection Feasibility Study, the Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study ("SRIS") shall mean an engineering study, conducted in accordance with Section 30.7 of the Large Facility Interconnection Procedures, that evaluates the impact of the proposed Large Generating Facility on the safety and reliability of the New York State Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System, to determine what Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities are needed for the proposed Large Generation Facility of the Developer to connect reliably to the New York State Transmission System in a manner that meets the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard.

Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the Indemnified Party's performance or non-performance of its obligations under this Agreement on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

Material Modification shall mean those modifications that have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Large Generating Facility pursuant to this Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Minimum Interconnection Standard shall mean the reliability standard that must be met by any Large Generating Facility proposing to connect to the New York State Transmission System. The Standard is designed to ensure reliable access by the proposed project to the New York State Transmission System. The Standard does not impose any deliverability test or deliverability requirement on the proposed interconnection.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

New York State Transmission System shall mean the entire New York State electric transmission system, which includes (i) the Transmission Facilities under ISO Operational Control; (ii) the Transmission Facilities Requiring ISO Notification; and (iii) all remaining transmission facilities within the New York Control Area.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its performance.

NPCC shall mean the Northeast Power Coordinating Council or its successor organization.

NYSRC shall mean the New York State Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Optional Interconnection Study shall mean a sensitivity analysis based on assumptions specified by the Developer in the Optional Interconnection Study Agreement.

Optional Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5 of the Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Optional Interconnection Study.

Other Interfaces shall mean interfaces into New York capacity regions, Zone J and Zone K, and external ties into the New York Control Area.

Party or Parties shall mean NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner, or Developer or any combination of the above.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement, where the Developer's Attachment Facilities connect to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement, where the Attachment Facilities connect to the New York State Transmission System.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, that is established based upon the date and time of receipt of the valid Interconnection Request by NYISO.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under this Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Developer, NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner conducted for the purpose of discussing alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to impact such interconnection options, to analyze such information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection.

Services Tariff shall mean the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Tariff, as filed with the Commission, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff thereto.

Site Control shall mean documentation reasonably demonstrating: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site for the purpose of constructing the Large Generating Facility; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site for such purpose; or (3) an exclusivity or other business relationship between Developer and the entity having the right to sell, lease or grant Developer the right to possess or occupy a site for such purpose.

Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities shall mean System Upgrade Facilities that a Developer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the New York State Transmission System during their construction. NYISO, the Connecting Transmission Owner and the Developer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities and identify them in Appendix A to this Agreement.

Standard Large Facility Interconnection Procedures ("LFIP") shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in Attachment X of the NYISO OATT.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA") shall mean this Agreement, the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility, that is included in Attachment X of the NYISO OATT.

System Deliverability Upgrades shall mean the least costly configuration of commercially available components of electrical equipment that can be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Requirements, to make the modifications or additions to Byways and Highways and Other Interfaces on the existing New York State Transmission System that are required for the proposed project to connect reliably to the system in a manner that meets the NYISO Deliverability Interconnection Standard at the requested level of Capacity Resource Interconnection Service.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to (1) protect the New York State Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Large Generating Facility and (2) protect the Large Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the New York State Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the New York State Transmission System is directly connected.

System Upgrade Facilities shall mean the least costly configuration of commercially available components of electrical equipment that can be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Requirements, to make the modifications to the existing transmission system that are required to maintain system reliability due to: (i) changes in the system, including such changes as load growth and changes in load pattern, to be addressed in the form of generic generation or transmission projects; and (ii) proposed interconnections. In the case of proposed interconnection projects, System Upgrade Facilities are the modifications or additions to the existing New York State Transmission System that are required for the proposed project to connect reliably to the system in a manner that meets the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard.

Tariff shall mean the NYISO Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT"), as filed with the Commission, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Developer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Large Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

ARTICLE 2. EFFECTIVE DATE, TERM AND TERMINATION

2.1 Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties, subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. The NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall

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2.2 Term of Agreement. Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this Agreement shall remain in effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the Effective Date and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter.

2.3 Termination.

- 2.3.1 Written Notice. This Agreement may be terminated by the Developer after giving the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner ninety (90)
 Calendar Days advance written notice, or by the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner notifying FERC after the Large Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operations.
- **2.3.2 Default.** Any Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 17.
- **2.3.3 Compliance**. Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination of this Agreement shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this Agreement, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.
- 2.4 Termination Costs. If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3.1 above, the terminating Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Attachment Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Parties, as of the date of the other Parties' receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the terminating Party under this Agreement. In the event of termination by a Party, all Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:
 - 2.4.1 With respect to any portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall to the extent possible and with Developer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Developer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Developer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and the Connecting Transmission Owner shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Developer as soon as practicable, at Developer's expense. To the extent that Developer has already paid Connecting Transmission Owner for any or all such costs of materials or

equipment not taken by Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly refund such amounts to Developer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by the Connecting Transmission Owner to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If Developer terminates this Agreement, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with Developer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Attachment Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades for which the Connecting Transmission Owner has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by the Developer.

- 2.4.2 Connecting Transmission Owner may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Developer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- **2.4.3** With respect to any portion of the Attachment Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Developer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.5 **Disconnection**. Upon termination of this Agreement, Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Developer's Large Generating Facility from the New York State Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this Agreement or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this Agreement.
- 2.6 Survival. This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder; including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner each to have access to the lands of the other pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment.

ARTICLE 3. REGULATORY FILINGS

3.1 Filing. NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if

required. Any information related to studies for interconnection asserted by Developer to contain Confidential Information shall be treated in accordance with Article 22 of this Agreement and Attachment F to the NYISO OATT. If the Developer has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, the Developer shall reasonably cooperate with NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner needed to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

ARTICLE 4. SCOPE OF INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

- **4.1 Provision of Service**. NYISO will provide Developer with interconnection service of the following type for the term of this Agreement.
 - **4.1.1 Product**. NYISO will provide Energy Resource Interconnection Service and Capacity Resource Interconnection Service to Developer at the Point of Interconnection, subject to the requirements of Appendix A, Section 6.
 - **4.1.2 Developer** is responsible for ensuring that its actual Large Generating Facility output matches the scheduled delivery from the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System, consistent with the scheduling requirements of the NYISO's FERC-approved market structure, including ramping into and out of such scheduled delivery, as measured at the Point of Interconnection, consistent with the scheduling requirements of the NYISO OATT and any applicable FERC-approved market structure.
- 4.2 No Transmission Delivery Service. The execution of this Agreement does not constitute a request for, nor agreement to provide, any Transmission Service under the NYISO OATT, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery. If Developer wishes to obtain Transmission Service on the New York State Transmission System, then Developer must request such Transmission Service in accordance with the provisions of the NYISO OATT.
- **4.3 No Other Services**. The execution of this Agreement does not constitute a request for, nor agreement to provide Energy, any Ancillary Services or Installed Capacity under the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff ("Services Tariff"). If Developer wishes to supply Energy, Installed Capacity or Ancillary Services, then Developer will make application to do so in accordance with the NYISO Services Tariff.

ARTICLE 5. INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES ENGINEERING, PROCUREMENT, AND CONSTRUCTION

5.1 Options. Unless otherwise mutually agreed to by Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner, Developer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either Standard Option

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or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A hereto, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B hereto.

- **Standard Option**. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall design, 5.1.1 procure, and construct the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B hereto. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event the Connecting Transmission Owner reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades by the specified dates, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly provide written notice to the Developer and NYISO, and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.
- **5.1.2 Alternate Option**. If the dates designated by Developer are acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall so notify Developer and NYISO within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities by the designated dates.

If Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B hereto; Connecting Transmission Owner shall pay Developer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Developer shall be extended day for day for each day that NYISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build. If the dates designated by Developer are not acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall

so notify the Developer and NYISO within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and unless the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree otherwise, Developer shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2; provided that if an Attachment Facility or Stand Alone System Upgrade Facility is needed for more than one Developer's project, Developer's option to build such Facility shall be contingent on the agreement of all other affected Developers. NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities in Appendix A hereto. Except for Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities, Developer shall have no right to construct System Upgrade Facilities under this option.

- **Negotiated Option.** If the Developer elects not to exercise its option under 5.1.4 Article 5.1.3, Option to Build, Developer shall so notify Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives or the procurement and construction of a portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities by Developer) pursuant to which Connecting Transmission Owner is responsible for the design, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades. If the two Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, Connecting Transmission Owner shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrades Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades pursuant to 5.1.1, Standard Option.
- **5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.** If Developer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities,
- (1) Developer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by the Connecting Transmission Owner;
- (2) Developer's engineering, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities shall comply with all requirements of law to which Connecting Transmission Owner

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- (3) Developer agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Section 220 of the New York Labor Law ("Section 220"), as it may be amended from time to time. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 220, Developer agrees that, for work performed on existing Connecting Transmission Owner facilities (i.e., "public work"):
 - (a) Each laborer, workman or mechanic shall be paid no less than the prevailing wages as defined in Section 220,
 - (b) The filing of payrolls shall be made in a manner consistent with subdivision three-a (3(a)) of Section 220; this is a condition precedent to payment of any sums due and owing to any person for work done upon the project, and
 - (c) No laborer, worker, or mechanic shall be permitted or required to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day or more than five days in any one week except in cases of extraordinary emergency including fire, flood, or danger to life or property.¹
- (4) Connecting Transmission Owner shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities;
- (5) Prior to commencement of construction, Developer shall provide to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO a schedule for construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Connecting Transmission Owner or NYISO;
- (6) At any time during construction, Connecting Transmission Owner shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (7) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities not meet the standards and specifications provided by Connecting Transmission Owner, the Developer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities;

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¹ Developer reserves its rights set forth in Section 220 to obtain dispensation permitting laborers, workers and mechanics to work additional hours or days per week.

- (8) Developer shall indemnify Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO for claims arising from the Developer's construction of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities under procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (9) Developer shall transfer control of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities to the Connecting Transmission Owner;
- (10) Unless the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner otherwise agree, Developer shall transfer ownership of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities to Connecting Transmission Owner;
- (11) Connecting Transmission Owner shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (12) Developer shall deliver to NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner "as built" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner to assure that the Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities are built to the standards and specifications required by Connecting Transmission Owner.
- 5.3 **Liquidated Damages.** The actual damages to the Developer, in the event the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by the Developer and accepted by the Connecting Transmission Owner pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Developer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by the Connecting Transmission Owner to the Developer in the event that Connecting Transmission Owner does not complete any portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to 1/2 of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Connecting Transmission Owner has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of the Connecting Transmission Owner Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades for which the Connecting Transmission Owner has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by the Connecting Transmission

Owner to the Developer as just compensation for the damages caused to the Developer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this Agreement. Liquidated damages, when the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Connecting Transmission Owner's failure to meet its schedule.

Further, Connecting Transmission Owner shall not pay liquidated damages to Developer if: (1) Developer is not ready to commence use of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Developer's Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Developer's Large Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless the Developer would have been able to commence use of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Developer's Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Developer's Large Generating Facility, but for Connecting Transmission Owner's delay; (2) the Connecting Transmission Owner's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of the Developer or any other Developer who has entered into a Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement with the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO, or action or inaction by any other Party, or any other cause beyond Connecting Transmission Owner's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Developer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities; or (4) the Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer have otherwise agreed.

In no event shall NYISO have any liability whatever to Developer for liquidated damages associated with the engineering, procurement or construction of Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades.

- 5.4 Power System Stabilizers. The Developer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the requirements identified in the Interconnection Studies conducted for Developer's Large Generating Facility. NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner reserve the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, the Developer shall immediately notify the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.
- **Equipment Procurement**. If responsibility for construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades is to be borne by the Connecting Transmission

Owner, then the Connecting Transmission Owner shall commence design of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner otherwise agree in writing:

- **5.5.1** NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner have completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- **5.5.2** The NYISO has completed the required cost allocation analyses, and Developer has accepted his share of the costs for necessary System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades in accordance with the provisions of Attachment S of the NYISO OATT:
- **5.5.3** The Connecting Transmission Owner has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from the Developer by the date specified in Appendix B hereto; and
- **5.5.4** The Developer has provided security to the Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B hereto.
- **5.6 Construction Commencement**. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall commence construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:
 - **5.6.1** Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;
 - **5.6.2** Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades;
 - **5.6.3** The Connecting Transmission Owner has received written authorization to proceed with construction from the Developer by the date specified in Appendix B hereto; and
 - 5.6.4 The Developer has provided security to the Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B hereto.

- 5.7 Work Progress. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner will keep each other, and NYISO, advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Any Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner. If, at any time, the Developer determines that the completion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, the Developer will provide written notice to the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO of such later date upon which the completion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities will be required.
- 5.8 Information Exchange. As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall exchange information, and provide NYISO the same information, regarding the design and compatibility of their respective Attachment Facilities and compatibility of the Attachment Facilities with the New York State Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.
- Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Developer's Large Generating Facility, NYISO shall, upon the request and at the expense of Developer, in conjunction with the Connecting Transmission Owner, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Developer's Large Generating Facility and the Developer's Attachment Facilities may operate prior to the completion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this Agreement. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall permit Developer to operate the Developer's Large Generating Facility and the Developer's Attachment Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.
- **5.10 Developer's Attachment Facilities ("DAF").** Developer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the DAF, as set forth in Appendix A hereto.
 - **5.10.1 DAF Specifications**. Developer shall submit initial specifications for the DAF, including System Protection Facilities, to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO at least one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall review such specifications to ensure that the DAF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Developer's submission.

- 5.10.2 No Warranty. The review of Developer's final specifications by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the DAF. Developer shall make such changes to the DAF as may reasonably be required by Connecting Transmission Owner or NYISO, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the DAF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO.
- **5.10.3 DAF Construction**. The DAF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, the Developer shall deliver to the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the DAF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the DAF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the DAF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with the Developer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the step-up transformers and the DAF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Developer shall provide to, and coordinate with, Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO with respect to proposed specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.
- 5.11 Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities Construction. The Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall deliver to the Developer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities: those "as-built" drawings, information and documents reasonably required by the Developer and related to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities constructed by the Connecting Transmission Owner, if any.

The Connecting Transmission Owner shall transfer operational control of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities to the NYISO upon completion of such facilities.

- **5.12** Access Rights. Upon reasonable notice and supervision by the Granting Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, either the Connecting Transmission Owner or Developer ("Granting Party") shall furnish to the other of those two Parties ("Access Party") at no cost any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress at the Point of Interconnection to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the New York State Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Attachment Facilities and the New York State Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this Agreement. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party. The Access Party shall indemnify the Granting Party against all claims of injury or damage from third parties resulting from the exercise of the access rights provided for herein.
 - Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and/or System Upgrade Facilities and/or System Deliverability Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner, the Connecting Transmission Owner agrees, to the extent consistent with applicable law, at Developer's expense to use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes for its own or affiliated generation, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and/or System Upgrade Facilities and/or System Deliverability Upgrades upon such property. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the Connecting Transmission Owner's exercise of powers and rights to acquire real property or any rights in real property, pursuant to this Section 5.13, is subject to the provisions of the Power Authority Act (or any amendments thereto).
 - **5.14 Permits**. NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner and the Developer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to the Developer comparable to that provided to the Connecting Transmission Owner's own, or an Affiliate's generation, if any.

- Transmission Owner to construct, and Connecting Transmission Owner shall construct, subject to a binding cost allocation agreement reached in accordance with Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, including Section 25.8.7 thereof, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Developer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades required for Developer to be interconnected to the New York State Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Facilities Study for the Developer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Developer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Developer's In-Service Date.
- **5.16 Suspension**. Developer reserves the right, upon written notice to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO, to suspend at any time all work by Connecting Transmission Owner associated with the construction and installation of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and/or System Upgrade Facilities and/or System Deliverability Upgrades required for only that Developer under this Agreement with the condition that the New York State Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the safety and reliability criteria of Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. In such event, Developer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs and/or obligations in accordance with Attachment S to the NYISO OATT including those which Connecting Transmission Owner (i) has incurred pursuant to this Agreement prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the New York State Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Connecting Transmission Owner cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Connecting Transmission Owner shall obtain Developer's authorization to do so.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall invoice Developer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Developer suspends work by Connecting Transmission Owner required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Connecting Transmission Owner to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO, if no effective date is specified.

5.17 Taxes.

5.17.1 Developer Payments Not Taxable. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner intend that all payments or property transfers made by

Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner for the installation of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and the System Upgrade Facilities and the System Deliverability Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants. In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Developer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the New York State Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to the Connecting Transmission Owner for the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities will be capitalized by Developer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than 5 percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for non-taxable treatment.

At Connecting Transmission Owner's request, Developer shall provide Connecting Transmission Owner with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Connecting Transmission Owner represents and covenants that the cost of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities paid for by Developer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Connecting Transmission Owner. Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Developer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Connecting Transmission Owner from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Connecting Transmission Owner as the result of payments or property transfers made by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under this Agreement, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Connecting Transmission Owner.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges

Developer under this Agreement unless (i) Connecting Transmission Owner has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Connecting Transmission Owner to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Connecting Transmission Owner may require Developer to provide security, in a form reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Developer shall reimburse Connecting Transmission Owner for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Connecting Transmission Owner of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

This indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by the Connecting Transmission Owner upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount. Developer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Developer will pay Connecting Transmission Owner, in addition to the amount paid for the Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Connecting Transmission Owner ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Connecting Transmission Owner as a result of payments or property transfers made by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under this Agreement (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit the Connecting Transmission Owner to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Connecting Transmission Owner's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Connecting Transmission Owner will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Connecting Transmission Owner's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of

such payments or property transfers by Connecting Transmission Owner's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Developer's liability to Connecting Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount - Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1 - Current Tax Rate).

Developer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law. At Developer's request and expense, Connecting Transmission Owner shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Developer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Developer's knowledge. Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep Developer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS, that authorizes Developer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Connecting Transmission Owner shall allow Developer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Developer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

- 5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events. If, within 10 years from the date on which the relevant Connecting Transmission Owner Attachment Facilities are placed in service, (i) Developer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this Agreement terminates and Connecting Transmission Owner retains ownership of the Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, the Developer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Connecting Transmission Owner, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.
- **5.17.7 Contests.** In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Connecting Transmission Owner's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Developer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days

Authority. Upon the timely written request by Developer and at Developer's sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Developer's written request and sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Connecting Transmission Owner reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep Developer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Developer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Developer or an Developer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Developer shall pay to Connecting Transmission Owner on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Connecting Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Connecting Transmission Owner may agree to a settlement either with Developer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Connecting Transmission Owner, but reasonably acceptable to Developer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Developer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Developer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Developer's consent or such written advice will relieve Developer from any obligation to indemnify Connecting Transmission Owner for the tax at issue in the contest.

Transmission Owner which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Connecting Transmission Owner in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement is not taxable to Connecting Transmission Owner, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Connecting Transmission Owner receives a refund from any taxing

authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner pursuant to this Agreement, Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly refund to Developer the following:

- (i) Any payment made by Developer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) Interest on any amounts paid by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner for such taxes which Connecting Transmission Owner did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 C.F.R. §35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Developer to the date Connecting Transmission Owner refunds such payment to Developer, and
- With respect to any such taxes paid by Connecting (iii) Transmission Owner, any refund or credit Connecting Transmission Owner receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to the Connecting Transmission Owner for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Connecting Transmission Owner to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Connecting Transmission Owner will remit such amount promptly to Developer only after and to the extent that Connecting Transmission Owner has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave both the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes. Upon the timely request by Developer, and at Developer's sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Connecting Transmission Owner for which Developer may be required to reimburse Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement. Developer shall pay to Connecting Transmission Owner on a periodic basis,

as invoiced by Connecting Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Developer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Connecting Transmission Owner.

5.18 Tax Status; Non-Jurisdictional Entities.

- 5.18.1 Tax Status. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Parties to maintain the other Parties' tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect the tax status of any Party including the status of NYISO, or the status of any Connecting Transmission Owner with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, LIPA, NYPA and Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. shall not be required to comply with any provisions of this Agreement that would result in the loss of tax-exempt status of any of their Tax-Exempt Bonds or impair their ability to issue future tax-exempt obligations. For purposes of this provision, Tax-Exempt Bonds shall include the obligations of the Long Island Power Authority, NYPA and Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., the interest on which is not included in gross income under the Internal Revenue Code.
- **5.18.2** Non-Jurisdictional Entities. LIPA and NYPA do not waive their exemptions, pursuant to Section 201(f) of the FPA, from Commission jurisdiction with respect to the Commission's exercise of the FPA's general ratemaking authority.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General. Either the Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner may undertake modifications to its facilities covered by this Agreement. If either the Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party, and to NYISO, sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party and NYISO may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be Confidential Information hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such

modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party and NYISO at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of Large Generating Facility modifications that do not require Developer to submit an Interconnection Request, the NYISO shall provide, within sixty (60) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the New York State Transmission System, Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades necessitated by such Developer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof. The Developer shall be responsible for the cost of any such additional modifications, including the cost of studying the impact of the Developer modification.

- **5.19.2 Standards**. Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with this Agreement, NYISO requirements and Good Utility Practice.
- 5.19.3 Modification Costs. Developer shall not be assigned the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Connecting Transmission Owner makes to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or the New York State Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or the New York State Transmission System, or to provide Transmission Service to a third party under the NYISO OATT, except in accordance with the cost allocation procedures in Attachment S of the NYISO OATT. Developer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to the Developer Attachment Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Developer Attachment Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

ARTICLE 6. TESTING AND INSPECTION

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications. Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall test the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades and Developer shall test the Large Generating Facility and the Developer Attachment Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Developer

- 6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the New York State Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **6.3 Right to Observe Testing**. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other Party, and the NYISO, in advance of its performance of tests of its Attachment Facilities. The other Party, and the NYISO, shall each have the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.
- 6.4 **Right to Inspect**. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Attachment Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. NYISO shall have these same rights of inspection as to the facilities and equipment of Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Attachment Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be treated in accordance with Article 22 of this Agreement and Attachment F to the NYISO OATT.

ARTICLE 7. METERING

7.1 General. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each comply with applicable requirements of NYISO and the New York Public Service Commission when exercising its rights and fulfilling its responsibilities under this Article 7. Unless otherwise agreed by the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO approved meter service provider and Developer, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Net power flows including MW and MVAR, MWHR

and loss profile data to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at the Point of Interconnection. Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, as required, to Developer or NYISO upon request. Where the Point of Interconnection for the Large Generating Facility is other than the generator terminal, the Developer shall also provide gross MW and MVAR quantities at the generator terminal. Developer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

- 7.2 Check Meters. Developer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Connecting Transmission Owner's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this Agreement, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Connecting Transmission Owner or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Developer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **7.3 Standards**. Connecting Transmission Owner shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment including potential transformers and current transformers in accordance with applicable ANSI and PSC standards as detailed in the NYISO Control Center Communications Manual and in the NYISO Revenue Metering Requirements Manual.
- **Testing of Metering Equipment**. Connecting Transmission Owner shall inspect 7.4 and test all of its Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by NYISO or Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner shall, at Developer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Connecting Transmission Owner shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Developer and NYISO may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Developer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Connecting Transmission Owner's failure to maintain, then Connecting Transmission Owner shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Connecting Transmission Owner shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Developer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment. The NYISO shall reserve the right to review all associated metering equipment

- New York Independent System Operator, Inc. NYISO Agreements LGIA Among NYISO, NYPA and Astoria Energy II installation on the Developer's or Connecting Transmission Owner's property at any time.
- 7.5 Metering Data. At Developer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Connecting Transmission Owner, Developer and NYISO. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

ARTICLE 8. COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1 **Developer Obligations**. In accordance with applicable NYISO requirements, Developer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. Developer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Developer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Developer data to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO as set forth in Appendix D hereto. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Developer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data.
- 8.2 Remote Terminal Unit. Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Developer, or by Connecting Transmission Owner at Developer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO.

Each Party will promptly advise the appropriate other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by that other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation. Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Party providing such equipment and the Party receiving such equipment.

ARTICLE 9. OPERATIONS

- **9.1 General**. Each Party shall comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards. Each Party shall provide to the other Parties all information that may reasonably be required by the other Parties to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 9.2 NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner Obligations. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall cause the New York State Transmission System and the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner in accordance with this Agreement and the NYISO Tariffs. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO may provide operating instructions to Developer consistent with this Agreement, NYISO procedures and Connecting Transmission Owner's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO will consider changes to their respective operating protocols and procedures proposed by Developer.
- 9.3 Developer Obligations. Developer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and the Developer Attachment Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this Agreement. Developer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and the Developer Attachment Facilities in accordance with NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner requirements, as such requirements are set forth or referenced in Appendix C hereto. Appendix C will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Any Party may request that the appropriate other Party or Parties provide copies of the requirements set forth or referenced in Appendix C hereto.
- 9.4 Start-Up and Synchronization. Consistent with the mutually acceptable procedures of the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner, the Developer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System in accordance with NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner procedures and requirements.
- 9.5 Real and Reactive Power Control.
 - **9.5.1 Power Factor Design Criteria**. Developer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain an effective power delivery at demonstrated maximum net capability at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range established by the Connecting Transmission Owner on a

comparable basis, until NYISO has established different requirements that apply to all generators in the New York Control Area on a comparable basis.

The Developer shall design and maintain the plant auxiliary systems to operate safely throughout the entire real and reactive power design range.

The Connecting Transmission Owner shall not unreasonably restrict or condition the reactive power production or absorption of the Large Generating Facility in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

- **9.5.2 Voltage Schedules**. Once the Developer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the New York State Transmission System, NYISO shall require Developer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.5.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). NYISO's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the New York Control Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. NYISO shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Developer with such schedules in accordance with NYISO procedures, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the New York State Transmission System. Developer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.5.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria) as directed by the Connecting Transmission Owner's System Operator or the NYISO. If Developer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify NYISO.
- **9.5.3 Payment for Reactive Power**. NYISO shall pay Developer for reactive power or voltage support service that Developer provides from the Large Generating Facility in accordance with the provisions of Rate Schedule 2 of the NYISO Services Tariff.
- 9.5.4 Governors and Regulators. Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the New York State Transmission System, the turbine speed governors and automatic voltage regulators shall be in automatic operation at all times. If the Large Generating Facility's speed governors or automatic voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, the Developer shall immediately notify NYISO, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's real and reactive power are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits and NYISO system operating (thermal, voltage and transient stability) limits. Developer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the New York State Transmission System or trip any

generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the New York Control Area on a comparable basis.

9.6 Outages and Interruptions.

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- Outage Authority and Coordination. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner may each, in accordance with NYISO procedures and Good Utility Practice and in coordination with the other Party, remove from service any of its respective Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency State, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to both the Developer and the Connecting Transmission Owner. In all circumstances either Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.
 - 9.6.1.2 **Outage Schedules**. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the NYISO OASIS. Developer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO for a minimum of a rolling thirty-six month period. Developer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. NYISO may direct, or the Connecting Transmission Owner may request, Developer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the New York State Transmission System. Compensation to Developer for any additional direct costs that the Developer incurs as a result of rescheduling maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost the Developer would have incurred absent the request to reschedule maintenance, shall be in accordance with the NYISO OATT. Developer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, the Developer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities other than at the direction of the NYISO or request of the Connecting Transmission Owner.

- 9.6.1.3 Outage Restoration. If an outage on the Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades of the Connecting Transmission Owner or Developer adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party and NYISO, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency State, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.
- 9.6.2 Interruption of Service. If required by Good Utility Practice or Applicable Reliability Standards to do so, the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner may require Developer to interrupt or reduce production of electricity if such production of electricity could adversely affect the ability of NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the New York State Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.6.2:
 - **9.6.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
 - **9.6.2.2** Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the New York State Transmission System;
 - 9.6.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Developer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
 - **9.6.2.4** Except during the existence of an Emergency State, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Developer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Developer of the expected duration. NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner shall

coordinate with each other and the Developer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to the Developer, the Connecting Transmission Owner and the New York State Transmission System;

- 9.6.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility, Attachment Facilities, and the New York State Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.
- 9.6.3 Under-Frequency and Over Frequency Conditions. The New York State Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the NPCC in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Developer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the NPCC to ensure "ride through" capability of the New York State Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of predetermined magnitudes, both under-frequency and over-frequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the New York State Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency and over-frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and with NPCC Directory # 12.

9.6.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

- **9.6.4.1 System Protection Facilities.** Developer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Developer Attachment Facilities. Connecting Transmission Owner shall install at Developer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on the Connecting Transmission Owner Attachment Facilities or the New York State Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility and Developer Attachment Facilities.
- **9.6.4.2** The protection facilities of both the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- **9.6.4.3** The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each be responsible for protection of its respective facilities

consistent with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards.

- **9.6.4.4** The protective relay design of the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6 of this Agreement. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of the Developer's Large Generating Facility.
- **9.6.4.5** The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner will each test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice and NPCC criteria.
- **9.6.4.6** Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each perform, or their agents shall perform, a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated.
- **Requirements for Protection**. In compliance with NPCC requirements and Good Utility Practice, Developer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the New York State Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Connecting Transmission Owner's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the New York State Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the New York State Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner. Developer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Developer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field. Developer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and

Developer's other equipment if conditions on the New York State Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

- 9.6.6 Power Quality. Neither the facilities of Developer nor the facilities of Connecting Transmission Owner shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.
- **9.7 Switching and Tagging Rules**. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a nondiscriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.
- 9.8 Use of Attachment Facilities by Third Parties.
 - **9.8.1 Purpose of Attachment Facilities.** Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Attachment Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the New York State Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.
 - 9.8.2 Third Party Users. If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities, or any part thereof, Developer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Attachment Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Attachment Facilities by Connecting Transmission Owner, all third party users, and Developer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Attachment Facilities, will be allocated between Developer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Attachment Facilities by Connecting Transmission Owner, all third party users, and Developer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

- 9.9 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange. The Parties will cooperate with one another and the NYISO in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or the New York State Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from disturbance recording equipment, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice.
- 9.10 Mitigation of Overdutied Breakers. The short circuit analysis performed as part of the Annual Transmission Reliability Assessment ("ATRA") for the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study identified certain breakers, including breakers in Con Edison's Farragut Substation, as overdutied as a result of the impacts of Class Year 2010 projects. The ATRA investigated mitigation solutions and determined that placing the existing Gowanus 345 kV Series Reactors ("SRs") R41 and R42 in service, mitigates the overdutied breaker condition identified. If, during the operation of the Large Generating Facility, one or both of them were to fail, the operation of the Large Generating Facility might be interrupted or reduced until a replacement for the SRs is operational.

ARTICLE 10. MAINTENANCE

- **10.1** Connecting Transmission Owner Obligations. Connecting Transmission Owner shall maintain its transmission facilities and Attachment Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this Agreement.
- **10.2 Developer Obligations**. Developer shall maintain its Large Generating Facility and Attachment Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this Agreement.
- **10.3** Coordination. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Attachment Facilities. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep NYISO fully informed of the preventive and corrective maintenance that is planned, and shall schedule all such maintenance in accordance with NYISO procedures.
- **10.4 Secondary Systems**. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each provide advance notice to the other Party, and to NYISO, before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses. Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Developer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses, including overheads, associated with owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Developer Attachment Facilities. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for the expenses, including overheads, associated with the operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall be entitled to the recovery of incremental operating and maintenance expenses that it incurs associated with System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades if and to the extent provided for under Attachment S to the NYISO OATT.

ARTICLE 11. PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION

- **11.1 Developer Attachment Facilities**. Developer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Developer Attachment Facilities described in Appendix A hereto, at its sole expense.
- 11.2 Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. Connecting Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities described in Appendix A hereto, at the sole expense of the Developer.
- 11.3 System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades. Connecting Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades described in Appendix A hereto. The responsibility of the Developer for costs related to System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Attachment S to the NYISO OATT.
- 11.4 Special Provisions for Affected Systems. For the re-payment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades, the Developer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such re-payment, but only if responsibility for the cost of such System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades is not to be allocated in accordance with Attachment S to the NYISO OATT. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by the Developer to the Affected System Operator as well as the re-payment by the Affected System Operator.

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11.5 Provision of Security. At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities, Developer shall provide Connecting Transmission Owner, at Developer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1 of this Agreement. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the cost for the Developer's share of constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities, and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Connecting Transmission Owner for these purposes.

In addition:

- 11.5.1 The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the commercially reasonable creditworthiness requirements of Connecting Transmission Owner, and contains terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Developer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- **11.5.2** The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- **11.5.3** The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- **11.5.4** Attachment S to the NYISO OATT shall govern the Security that Developer provides for System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades.
- **11.6 Developer Compensation for Emergency Services**. If, during an Emergency State, the Developer provides services at the request or direction of the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner, the Developer will be compensated for such services in accordance with the NYISO Services Tariff.
- 11.7 Line Outage Costs. Notwithstanding anything in the NYISO OATT to the contrary, the Connecting Transmission Owner may propose to recover line outage costs associated with the installation of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades on a case-by-case basis.

ARTICLE 12. INVOICE

- 12.1 General. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts one Party owes to the other Party under this Agreement, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.
- 12.2 Final Invoice. Within six months after completion of the construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and the System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and the System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, determined in accordance with Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Developer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Connecting Transmission Owner shall refund to Developer any amount by which the actual payment by Developer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **12.3 Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F hereto. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims the paying Party may have under this Agreement.
- **12.4 Disputes**. In the event of a billing dispute between Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner shall continue to perform under this Agreement as long as Developer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Connecting Transmission Owner or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Developer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Connecting Transmission Owner may provide notice to Developer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's Regulations at 18 C.F.R. § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

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ARTICLE 13. EMERGENCIES

- **13.1 Obligations**. Each Party shall comply with the Emergency State procedures of NYISO, the applicable Reliability Councils, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the NYISO Operating Committee.
- 13.2 Notice. NYISO or, as applicable, Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Developer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency State that affects the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or the New York State Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Developer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or the Developer's Attachment Facilities. Developer shall notify NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency State that affects the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the New York State Transmission System or the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency State, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Developer's or Connecting Transmission Owner's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.
- 13.3 Immediate Action. Unless, in Developer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Developer shall obtain the consent of Connecting Transmission Owner, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities in response to an Emergency State either declared by NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner or otherwise regarding New York State Transmission System.

13.4 NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner Authority.

13.4.1 General. NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner may take whatever actions with regard to the New York State Transmission System or the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency State in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the New York State Transmission System or the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities. NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency State by taking

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actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency State, including, but not limited to, directing Developer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.4.2; directing the Developer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and the Developer Attachment Facilities. Developer shall comply with all of the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

- 13.4.2 Reduction and Disconnection. NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner may reduce Energy Resource Interconnection Service and Capacity Resource Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities, when such reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to an Emergency State. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of Curtailment of NYISO pursuant to the NYISO OATT. When NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Developer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner shall coordinate with the Developer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to the Developer and the New York State Transmission System. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Attachment Facilities, and the New York State Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 13.5 Developer Authority. Consistent with Good Utility Practice and this Agreement, the Developer may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities during an Emergency State in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or the Developer Attachment Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Developer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the New York State Transmission System and the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Developer in such actions.
- **13.6 Limited Liability**. Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6 of this Agreement, no Party shall be liable to another Party for any action it takes in

ARTICLE 14. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND GOVERNING LAW

14.1 Regulatory Requirements. Each Party's obligations under this Agreement shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this Agreement shall require Developer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005 or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended.

14.2 Governing Law.

- **14.2.1** The validity, interpretation and performance of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of New York, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

ARTICLE 15. NOTICES

15.1 General. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to the other Parties shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F hereto.

A Party may change the notice information in this Agreement by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments. Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F hereto.

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- **15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice**. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F hereto.
- **15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice**. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other Party, and NYISO, in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 16. FORCE MAJEURE

16.1 Force Majeure.

- 16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.
- 16.1.2 A Party shall not be responsible or liable, or deemed, in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4 of this Agreement), other than the obligation to pay money when due, to the extent the Party is prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Parties in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this Article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

ARTICLE 17. DEFAULT

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 General. No Breach shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this Agreement or the result of an act or omission of the other Parties. Upon a Breach, the non-Breaching Parties shall give written notice of such to the Breaching Party. The Breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Breach notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the Breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and

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17.1.2 Right to Terminate. If a Breach is not cured as provided in this Article 17, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-Breaching Parties acting together shall thereafter have the right to declare a Default and terminate this Agreement by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not those Parties terminate this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which they are entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this Article will survive termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18. INDEMNITY, CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND INSURANCE

- 18.1 Indemnity. Each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") shall at all times indemnify, defend, and save harmless, as applicable, the other Parties (each an "Indemnified Party") from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, the alleged violation of any Environmental Law, or the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Substance, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from (i) the Indemnified Party's performance of its obligations under this Agreement on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases where the Indemnifying Party can demonstrate that the Loss of the Indemnified Party was caused by the gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing of the Indemnified Party or (ii) the violation by the Indemnifying Party of any Environmental Law or the release by the Indemnifying Party of any Hazardous Substance.
- **18.1.1 Indemnified Party**. If a Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1.3, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Party may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.
- **18.1.2 Indemnifying Party**. If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Party harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Party shall be the amount of such Indemnified Party's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.
- **18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures**. Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Party shall notify the Indemnifying

Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

Except as stated below, the Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Parties and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Party reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Parties which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Party shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Party or Indemnified Parties having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Party shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Party and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Party, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Party, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 No Consequential Damages. Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described and the indemnity obligations set forth in Article 18.1, in no event shall any Party be liable under any provision of this Agreement for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to another Party under separate agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

- **18.3 Insurance**. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this Agreement, and until released by the other Parties, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state of New York:
- **18.3.1** Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of New York State.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- **18.3.3** Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- **18.3.4** Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies of Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- **18.3.6** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall

contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.

- 18.3.7 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this Agreement, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner.
- **18.3.8** The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by those Parties under this Agreement.
- **18.3.9** Within ten (10) days following execution of this Agreement, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) days thereafter, Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide certification of all insurance required in this Agreement, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- 18.3.10 Notwithstanding the foregoing, Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner may each self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's senior debt is rated at investment grade, or better, by Standard & Poor's and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. For any period of time that a Party's senior debt is unrated by Standard & Poor's, such Party shall comply with the insurance requirements applicable to it under Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.9. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this Article 18.3.10, it shall notify the other Party that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- **18.3.11** Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 19. ASSIGNMENT

19.1 **Assignment**. This Agreement may be assigned by a Party only with the written consent of the other Parties; provided that a Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Parties to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement; provided further that a Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Parties in connection with the sale, merger, restructuring, or transfer of a substantial portion or all of its assets, including the Attachment Facilities it owns, so long as the assignee in such a transaction directly assumes in writing all rights, duties and obligations arising under this Agreement; and provided further that the Developer shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that the Developer will promptly notify the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by the Developer pursuant to this Article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s) and will provide the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this Article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this Agreement shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

ARTICLE 20. SEVERABILITY

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this Agreement is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this Agreement; provided that if the Developer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of the Connecting Transmission Owner) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the rights and obligations of Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1).

ARTICLE 21. COMPARABILITY

21.1 Comparability. The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

22.1 Confidentiality. Certain information exchanged by the Parties during the term of this Agreement shall constitute confidential information ("Confidential Information") and shall be subject to this Article 22.

If requested by a Party receiving information, the Party supplying the information shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

- **22.1.1 Term**. During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.
- **22.1.2 Confidential Information**. The following shall constitute Confidential Information: (1) any non-public information that is treated as confidential by the disclosing Party and which the disclosing Party identifies as Confidential Information in writing at the time, or promptly after the time, of disclosure; or (2) information designated as Confidential Information by the NYISO Code of Conduct contained in Attachment F to the NYISO OATT.
- **22.1.3** Scope. Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.8 of this Agreement, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

- 22.1.4 Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by FERC Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be considering providing financing to or equity participation with Developer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of a Party, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.
- **22.1.5 Rights**. Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Parties of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by any Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- **22.1.6 No Warranties**. By providing Confidential Information, no Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, no Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Parties nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.
- 22.1.7 Standard of Care. Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements, including the NYISO OATT and NYISO Services Tariff. The NYISO shall, in all cases, treat the information it receives in accordance with the requirements of Attachment F to the NYISO OATT.
- 22.1.8 Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Parties with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Parties may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable

- **22.1.9 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Parties, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Parties) or return to the other Parties, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Parties pursuant to this Agreement.
- **22.1.10 Remedies**. The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for another Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Parties shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.
- 22.1.11 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 C.F.R. section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement or the NYISO OATT, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 C.F.R. section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Parties to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to the Commission or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations. A Party shall not be liable for any losses, consequential or

22.1.12 Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, no Party shall disclose Confidential Information to any person not employed or retained by the Party possessing the Confidential Information, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement, the NYISO OATT or the NYISO Services Tariff. Prior to any disclosures of a Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 23. ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASES

23.1 Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner Notice. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Attachment Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

ARTICLE 24. INFORMATION REQUIREMENT

- **24.1 Information Acquisition**. Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer shall each submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to the other, and to NYISO, as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.
- **24.2 Information Submission by Connecting Transmission Owner**. The initial information submission by Connecting Transmission Owner shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include New York State Transmission System information necessary to allow the Developer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Developer and

Connecting Transmission Owner. On a monthly basis Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide Developer and NYISO a status report on the construction and installation of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report; (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Developer. The updated information submission by the Developer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Developer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the Large Facility Interconnection Procedures. It shall also include any additional information provided to Connecting Transmission Owner for the Interconnection Feasibility Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with NYISO standard models. If there is no compatible model, the Developer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If the Developer's data is different from what was originally provided to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO pursuant to an Interconnection Study Agreement among Connecting Transmission Owner, NYISO and Developer and this difference may be reasonably expected to affect the other Parties' facilities or the New York State Transmission System, but does not require the submission of a new Interconnection Request, then NYISO will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on the New York State Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. Such studies will provide an estimate of any additional modifications to the New York State Transmission System, Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities, or System Upgrade Facilities or System Deliverability Upgrades based on the actual data and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof. The Developer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed. The Developer shall be responsible for the cost of any modifications required by the actual data, including the cost of any required studies.

24.4 Information Supplementation. Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "asbuilt" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Developer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Developer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Commercial Operation Date, the Developer shall provide Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide the Developer and NYISO any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Connecting Transmission Owner substation that may affect the Developer Attachment Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

ARTICLE 25. INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- **25.1 Information Access.** Each Party ("Disclosing Party") shall make available to another Party ("Requesting Party") information that is in the possession of the Disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the Requesting Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the Disclosing Party for which the Requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 of this Agreement and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- **25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events**. Each Party (the "Notifying Party") shall notify the other Parties when the Notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this Agreement for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this Article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this Agreement.

25.3 Audit Rights. Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this Agreement, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to another Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to the other Party's performance or satisfaction of its obligations under this Agreement. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, and each Party's actions in an Emergency State. Any audit authorized by this Article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to the Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this Agreement. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4 of this Agreement.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Connecting Transmission Owner's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2 of this Agreement.

- 25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records. Accounts and records related to a Party's performance or satisfaction of its obligations under this Agreement other than those described in Article 25.4.1 of this Agreement shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.
- **25.5 Audit Results**. If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

ARTICLE 26. SUBCONTRACTORS

26.1 General. Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 26.2 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner be liable for the actions or inactions of the Developer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Developer under Article 5 of this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- **26.3 No Limitation by Insurance**. The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 27. DISPUTES

- 27.1 Submission. In the event any Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its performance (a "Dispute"), such Party shall provide the other Parties with written notice of the Dispute ("Notice of Dispute"). Such Dispute shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Parties. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the Dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Parties' receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such Dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such Dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this Agreement.
- 27.2 External Arbitration Procedures. Any arbitration initiated under this Agreement shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the Dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. In each case, the arbitrator(s) shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.
- **27.3 Arbitration Decisions**. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of

appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Attachment Facilities, System Upgrade Facilities, or System Deliverability Upgrades.

- **27.4 Costs.** Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel; or (2) one-third the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.
- **27.5 Termination**. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article 27, any Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with its provisions or pursuant to an action at law or equity. The issue of whether such a termination is proper shall not be considered a Dispute hereunder.

ARTICLE 28. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

- **28.1** General. Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:
 - 28.1.1 Good Standing. Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this Agreement and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this Agreement.
 - **28.1.2 Authority**. Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This Agreement is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights

- **28.1.3 No Conflict**. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.
- **28.1.4** Consent and Approval. Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this Agreement will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this Agreement that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations.

ARTICLE 29. MISCELLANEOUS

- **29.1 Binding Effect**. This Agreement and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and permitted assigns of the Parties hereto.
- **29.2 Conflicts**. If there is a discrepancy or conflict between or among the terms and conditions of this cover agreement and the Appendices hereto, the terms and conditions of this cover agreement shall be given precedence over the Appendices, except as otherwise expressly agreed to in writing by the Parties.
- 29.3 **Rules of Interpretation**. This Agreement, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this Agreement, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this Agreement), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this Agreement or such Appendix to this Agreement, or such Section to the Large Facility Interconnection Procedures or such Appendix to the Large Facility Interconnection Procedures, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof', "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references

- to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".
- **29.4 Compliance**. Each Party shall perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, the NYISO OATT and Good Utility Practice. To the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this Agreement for its compliance therewith. When any Party becomes aware of such a situation, it shall notify the other Parties promptly so that the Parties can discuss the amendment to this Agreement that is appropriate under the circumstances.
- **29.5 Joint and Several Obligations**. Except as otherwise stated herein, the obligations of NYISO, Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner are several, and are neither joint nor joint and several.
- **29.6 Entire Agreement**. This Agreement, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this Agreement.
- **29.7 No Third Party Beneficiaries**. This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and permitted their assigns.
- **29.8 Waiver**. The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party. Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or Default of this Agreement for any reason by the Developer shall not constitute a waiver of the Developer's legal rights to obtain Capacity Resource Interconnection Service and Energy Resource Interconnection Service from the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with the provisions of the NYISO OATT. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

- **29.9 Headings**. The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this Agreement.
- **29.10 Multiple Counterparts**. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.
- **29.11 Amendment**. The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this Agreement, by a written instrument duly executed by all three of the Parties.
- **29.12 Modification by the Parties**. The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this Agreement, by a written instrument duly executed by all three of the Parties. Such an amendment shall become effective and a part of this Agreement upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- 29.13 Reservation of Rights. NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall have the right to make unilateral filings with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Developer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by another Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.
- **29.14 No Partnership**. This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership among the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon any Party. No Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, any other Party.
- **29.15 Other Transmission Rights.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, or transmission congestion rights that the Developer shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrades.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

NYISO

New York Power Authority

By: Alexander By: By: By: Title: Senior Vice President, Transmission

Date: December, 20, 2010

Astoria Energy II LLC

Date: December 17, 2010

By: Cuarle Rhi Call g A.

Title: CEO CFO

Date: 12-17-10 12-17-10.

Appendices

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Interconnection Requirements For a Wind Generating Plant

Appendix A

Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities

1. Attachment Facilities:

a) Developer's Attachment Facilities

i) General Description:

Developer's Attachment Facilities consist of three (3) 18/355kV Generator Step-Up transformers ("GSU") that feed from each GSU primary side underground Nexans type, XLPE Solid Dielectric Cable feeders to a collecting ABB type Gas Insulated Switchgear ("GIS"). The GIS has one set of motor operated disconnect switches and motor operated grounding switches for each incoming GSU feeder cable. The GIS has one main outlet feeder ("G13"), which also contains one set of motor operated disconnect switches and motor operated grounding switches. G13 is one three (3) phase feeder, made up of parallel 1,192kcmil Bunting aerial cable, with a total circuit length of 2,000 feet.

ii) Additional Detail:

- (1) GSU's: Electrical power from two (2) combustion turbine generators is fed through two (2) Fortune Electric Co., Ltd. three phase, 18/355kV delta-wye, GSU transformers rated 129/172/215 MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF) with impedance 8.5% @129MVA and from one (1) steam turbine generator through one (1) Fortune Electric Co., Ltd. three phase, 18/355kV delta-wye, GSU transformer rated 192/256/320 MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF) with impedance 8.5% @192MVA. Each GSU is pad mounted on its own foundation, which includes an oil containment system.
- (2) GSU's to GIS: At the GSU primary side, there are nine (9) Nexans' connectors, Outdoor Sealing End, Type SOA 1.420, for XPLE 800sqmm Al cable, which connect to Nexans, 345kV, 800sqmm Al XLPE Solid Dielectric High Voltage Power Cable, 3,090 total linear ft in total (for all nine phases), which, in turn connect to the nine (9) Nexans' connectors, GIS Sealing End, Type SFYL 1.420, for XLPE 800sqmm Al cable at the GIS.
- (3) GIS: Each of the three (3) phases of the three (3) feeders (feeder 1, 301 GSU; feeder 2, 401 GSU; and feeder 3, 002 GSU) connect to an ABB SF6 GIS, 362kV, 2000A, motor operated disconnect switch and motor operated grounding switch. The GIS collects the 3 feeders and a single feeder, G13, exits the GIS building to the three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings, Porcelain, 362kV.

- (4) G13: From the three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings, aerial cable is terminated at the air-side bushing, and is supported by a Pelco, H-Frame dead-end structure and traverses overhead via a series of (5) Pelco, Transmission towers and one Pelco, H-frame dead-end structure to three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings (see CTOAFs); the aerial 3-phase feeder (G13) consists of parallel Bunting 1,192 kcmil High Voltage Aerial Cable per phase, with a total circuit length of 2,000 ft, and includes fiber optics (communications) Bunting, 1,750 ft of OPGW cable attached to the top of each of the tower structures. Each of the tower structures is placed on individual foundations with mini-piles drilled into bedrock.
- (5) At both ends of G13, for each phase, are station class surge arrestors (six in total), VN-245kV MCOV, which are attached to the Pelco, H-Frame deadend structures.

iii) Applicable Standards:

Developer shall design, engineer, procure and construct Developer's Attachment Facilities in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Affected Transmission Owner") agreed to and provided by Affected Transmission Owner to Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer, as set out in the construction work packages approved by the Affected Transmission Owner and Connecting Transmission Owner, to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement or the NYISO OATT.

b) Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities

i) General Description:

Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities include three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings located at the Astoria Annex Substation and also include bus work, protection CTs, metering CTs, metering PTs and motor operated disconnect and grounding switches. The "Point of Change of Ownership" is located at the air side connections of the three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings. The "Point of Interconnection" is the point at which the protection CTs connect to the ring bus.

ii) Additional Detail:

(1) These facilities include three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings, Porcelain, 362kV, which are located outside the Astoria Annex Substation on foundations. The GIS bus, supported by structural steel, then extends and travels into the new GIS Building, where the bus is connected to one (1) ABB 3 phase, 63kA, 362kV, SF6 GIS motor operated disconnect switch and two (2) ABB 3 phase, 63kA, 363kV, SF6 GIS grounding switches.

- (2) Within this section of the GIS, there is one (1) ABB 3 phase, ring core CT, revenue metering, rating 0.15S-B01-1.8, 362kV, 1000:5, single ratio and one (1) ABB 3 phase, metering PT, rating 1800/3000:1 / 0.3Z 0.6ZZ, 3 secondary windings.
- (3) Also located within this section of the GIS is one (1) ABB 3 phase, relay protection CT, rating C800, 362kV, 3000:5, multi ratio. The protection CT is part of the G13 feeder relay protection system.

iii) Applicable Standards:

Developer shall design, engineer, procure and construct Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Affected Transmission Owner") agreed to and provided by Affected Transmission Owner to Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer, as set out in the construction work packages approved by the Affected Transmission Owner and Connecting Transmission Owner, to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement or the NYISO OATT. Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly review, comment on, and approve Developer's design, engineering, and construction work plans for the construction of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. Connecting Transmission Owner shall, at the Operational Transfer Date (as described in Appendix B), be responsible for compliance with any applicable requirements of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") with respect to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities. Developer shall, prior to the Operational Transfer Date, provide Connecting Transmission Owner with all documentation reasonably required and requested by Connecting Transmission Owner to comply with any applicable NERC requirements.

2. System Upgrade Facilities:

a) Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities

i) General Description:

These facilities, within the new Astoria Annex Substation, include the following: a four (4) breaker GIS ring bus, with two outgoing overhead Gas/Air bushings, connecting to an air insulated switchyard. The ring bus is located within a new GIS Enclosure along with a new Control Building, which includes protection, communication, tele-protection and operator interface systems. The switchyard is comprised of two (2) sets of Potheads, one for each of the underground Q35L and Q35M transmission lines, with associated disconnect switches, surge arrestors, SF6 yard circuit breakers and shunt reactors for each

of the Q35L and Q35M transmission lines. For the terminus of the Q35L and Q35M lines, a three terminal tele-protection system between East 13th Street Substation, Farragut Substation and the Astoria Annex Substation is to be transferred from the retired Charles Polleti Power Plant to the Astoria Annex Substation and upgraded to current technology.

ii) Additional Detail:

- (1) The GIS Enclosure and Control building is a steel structure with metal decking and siding, located on a foundation stabilized by auger cast piles 50 feet in depth. The structure is 125 ft x 110 ft, containing rooms for the DC batteries (1st and 2nd line), DC rectifier rooms (1st and 2nd line), Relay Protection Panel rooms (1st and 2nd line), Communications room (1st and 2nd line), Security room, RTU rooms, main control room and L&P room (1st and 2nd line). The L&P transformers are dry type, 750kVA, delta-wye connection; 27kV primary side and 208/120V 3phase, with 3 phase grounding switch on the primary side.
- (2) A 750 kcmil grounding grid is to be installed under the building and continues outside into the main substation yard.
- (3) The 345kV GIS consists of a four (4) circuit breakers ring bus (with the ability to expand to a five (5) circuit breaker ring bus), SF6 type, 63kA rating, 362 kV, 3000Amps. The G13 feeder is terminated between circuit breakers 1 and 2, the Q35L feeder is terminated between circuit breakers 1 and 3, the spare feeder is terminated between circuit breakers 3 and 5, and the Q35M feeder is terminated between circuit breakers 2 and 5. The GIS is expandable if a future developer were to install breaker 4 along with the requisite modifications to the existing bus section. In addition, there are a total of twelve (12) 3,000Amp motor operated disconnect switches: eight (8) on the ring bus with one (1) on both sides of each of the four (4) circuit breakers; one (1) each for the Q35L and Q35M feeders for two (2) in total; one (1) for the spare feeder to be terminated between breakers 3 and 5; and one (1) for the future bus in the event the GIS were to be expanded to a five (5) circuit breaker ring bus.
- (4) The GIS bus has a total of four (4) Local Control Cabinets ("LCC"), one each dedicated to the control and operation of each of the GIS bus sections. The LCCs are also linked to the Remote Terminal Unit ("RTU") system which feeds into the HMI, and the LCCs have links to the relay protection panels (first and second line).
- (5) There are a total of 23 Relay protection panels, which receive their 125VDC power from their respective first and second line DC battery rooms. The relay protection panels are designed to provide protection for feeders Q35L/B47 to the East 13th Street and Farragut Substations and to provide

- protection for feeders Q35M/48 to East 13th Street and Farragut Substations, provide protection for the G13 Feeder, and also provide protection for the two (2), oiled filled, 150MVA, 363kV, 251 amps ASEA, Shunt Reactors.
- (6) The two (2) communication rooms have Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition ("SCADA") and RTU that integrate the Astoria Annex Substation to Con Edison's ECC and AECC for outside control. There is also metering SCADA/RTU system that will integrate from the Astoria Annex Substation to the NYPA ECC.
- (7) In the Astoria Annex Substation outdoor yard, there is one (1) Cummins 250kW, 120/208Volt, 3 Phase, 60Hz, 1800 RPM, diesel generator, with 24 hour capacity fuel tank, that provides tertiary back-up power to the Astoria Annex Substation equipment.
- (8) Each feeder, Q35L and Q35M, exits the GIS building and contains three (3) ABB Gas/Air bushings, Porcelain, 362kV, which are located outside the building and are mounted on steel structures mounted to concrete foundations. Each feeder is then connected to one (1) set of a 362 kV, 3000amp, motor operated Southern States disconnect switch with a 24 pole external pipe mounted auxiliary switch. Each feeder is then connected to three (3) G&W Potheads (one for each phase), type EHC-345kV, 1300kV BL HPFF terminator for 2500 kcmil conductor cable operating at 400psi nominal pressure. Continuing beyond the Potheads, for each feeder, there is one (1) set of a 362 kV, 3000amp, motor operated Southern States disconnect switch with a 24 pole external pipe mounted auxiliary switch with three (3) surge arrestors (one for each phase), VN-245kV MCOV. Beyond the motor operated disconnect, for each feeder, is one (1) HVB three independent pole operated SF6 pneumatic circuit breaker, 362kV and 3000amps. From these outdoor circuit breakers, it connects to three (3) surge arrestors (one for each phase), VN-245kV MCOV, then each feeder ties into one (1) each ASEA, Shunt Reactors, oiled filled, 150MVA, 363kV, 251 amps.
- (9) Each feeder, Q35L and Q35M, from the G&W Potheads as described in the previous paragraph, is routed underground to a new trifurcation manhole. For each feeder, there is one (1) 3 phase 6" stainless steel run for a total of 330 feet, plus one (1) 5" carbon steel oil return line 175 feet in length from the Potheads to the new trifurcation manhole.
- (10) From the new trifurcation manhole to an existing NYPA trifurcation manhole, for each feeder Q35L and Q35M, there is one (1) 5" carbon steel run of 1,185 feet and one (1) 10" carbon steel run of 1,600 feet. Within the new trifurcation manholes, for each feeder, there is one (1) USi trifurcation joint and two (2) USi splice kits to connect 5,161 feet of new Okonite paper insulated cable, 345kV, 3/C 2500 kcmil. Parallel to the new transmission

run, for each feeder, is 1600 feet of HDPE for the new communication run connecting to Con Edison building 136, including three (3) new communication manholes for pulling the fiber optic lines, to allow Con Edison CCTN communication to tie into the Astoria Annex Substation.

- (11) In the NYPA PURS/Pumping plant yard, there is one (1) Cummins 250kW, 120/208Volt, 3 Phase, 60Hz, 1800 RPM, diesel generator (with 24 hour capacity fuel tank), that provides tertiary back-up power to the PURS/Pumping Plant equipment.
- (12) The Q35L and Q35M feeders are connected via the East 13th Street Substation through exiting feeders B47 and 48 to the Farragut Substation. The Astoria Annex Substation, the East 13th Street Substation and the Farragut Substation are connected through the tele-protection system described above. By selection of CSM switch positions, various combinations of feeders/busses can be protected from at least two directions when one or more bus sections are switched out of service. First and second line protection is provided for the entire three terminal loop utilizing dedicated but physically separated tele-protection systems.

iii) Applicable Standards:

Developer shall design, engineer, procure and construct the Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Affected Transmission Owner") agreed to and provided by Affected Transmission Owner to Connecting Transmission Owner and Developer, as set out in the construction work packages approved by the Affected Transmission Owner and Connecting Transmission Owner, to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement or the NYISO OATT. Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly review, comment on, and approve Developer's design, engineering, and construction work plans for the construction of the Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities. Connecting Transmission Owner shall, at the Operational Transfer Date (as described in Appendix B), be responsible for compliance with any applicable requirements of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") with respect to the Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities. Developer shall, prior to the Operational Transfer Date, provide Connecting Transmission Owner with all documentation reasonably required and requested by Connecting Transmission Owner to comply with any applicable NERC requirements.

b) Other System Upgrade Facilities

To integrate the new Astoria Annex Substation with the New York State Transmission System, upgrades are required at Con Edison's East 13th Street Substation and Farragut Substation. Developer will design and procure the System Upgrade Facilities, and Con Edison will perform this upgrade work for Developer as follows:

- (1) At East 13th Street Substation, Con Edison will construct and install the following equipment:
 - four (4) SEL 311 relay,
 - two (2) RFL Guard 8000 tele-protection units,
 - four (4) RFL IMUX 2000 tele-protection units,
 - two (2) Electro-switch Series CSM Switch,
 - eighteen (18) Electro-switch Series LOR Switch,
 - three (3) Arbiter Satellite Clock,
 - four (4) GE Series HFA Relays,
 - eight (8)GE Series SB-9 Switch, and
 - thirty-eight (38) ABB Series FT-1 switches.
- (2) At Farragut Substation, Con Edison will construct and install the following equipment:
 - two (2) Areva P141 relays,
 - two (2) Areva P546 relay,
 - four (4) SEL 311 relay,
 - nine (9) Electro-switch Series LOR Switch,
 - six (6) GE Series HFA Relays,
 - eight (8) GE Series SB-9 Switch,
 - two (2) RFL Guard 8000 tele-protection units,
 - four (4) RFL IMUX 2000 tele-protection units, and
 - thirty-nine (39) ABB Series FT-1 switches.

3. System Deliverability Upgrades:

None.

4. Cost Estimates:

The Large Generating Facility is, as of the Effective Date, a member of Class Year 2010. The Interconnection Facility Study for that Class Year is not complete as of the Effective Date. However, a draft cost estimate has been developed totaling \$81,202,291 for the Connecting Transmission Owner Attachment Facilities, Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities, and Other System Upgrade Facilities identified in Sections 1.b, 2.a, and 2.b of this Appendix A, as input to the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study:

- a) Connecting Transmission Owner Attachment Facilities: \$1,086,236
- b) Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities: \$74,195,143

c) Other System Upgrade Facilities - East 13th Street and Farragut Substations: \$5,920,912.

The final cost estimate will be reported in the final Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study.

5. Operation and Maintenance Costs:

Upon Commercial Operation of the Large Generating Facility, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for all operation and maintenance costs associated with the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities.

6. Other Requirements:

Developer's Large Generating Facility is included in Class Year 2010 for purposes of Energy Resource Interconnection Service cost allocation under Attachment S to the NYISO OATT. Developer's Large Generating Facility is scheduled to commence Commercial Operations in accordance with the Milestones set forth in Appendix B of this Agreement, and before the final settlement of the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study that includes Developer's Large Generating Facility.

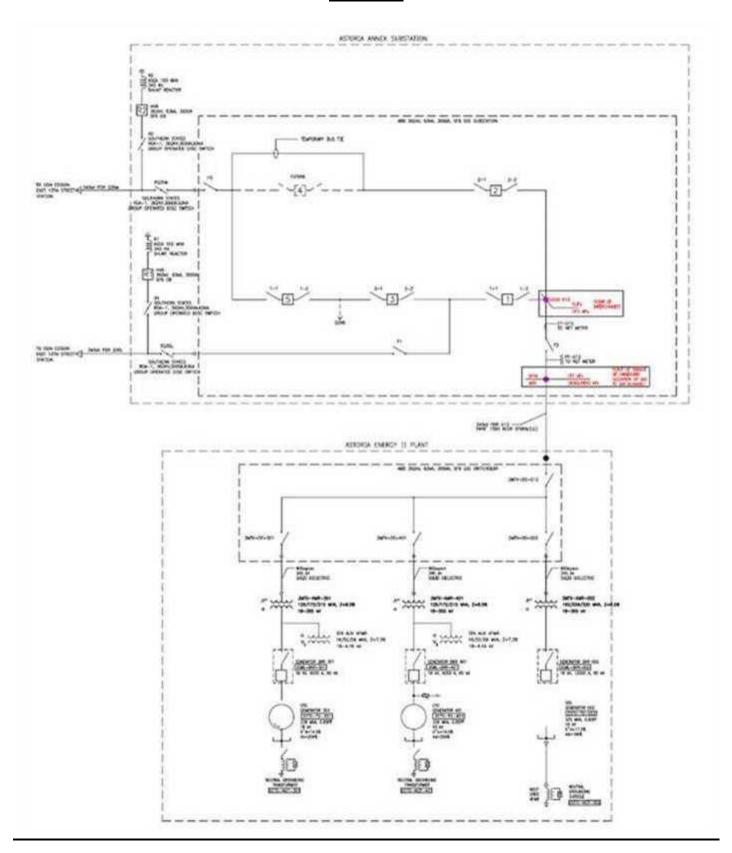
Developer shall accept the cost allocation for any Connecting Transmission Owner System Upgrade Facilities for its Large Generating Facility from the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study, and shall post any Security as required by this Agreement or Attachment S to the NYISO OATT. Developer shall also make any Headroom payments required by the Class Year Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to Attachment S. If the Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities identified in the Class Year Interconnection Facilities Study for Developer's Large Generating Facility differ in any material way from those identified in this Agreement, the Parties shall amend this Agreement, pursuant to Sections 29.11 and 29.12, to reflect the Attachment Facilities and System Upgrade Facilities identified in the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study.

Developer's Large Generating Facility is not being evaluated for deliverability in the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study. However, pursuant to Section 25.9.4 of Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, when Developer's Large Generating Facility achieves Commercial Operations in accordance with the requirements of that Section 25.9.4, Developer's Large Generating Facility will acquire, by transfer from the deactivated Charles Poletti Power Project, 576 MW of Installed Capacity deliverability rights, and the NYISO will provide 576 MW of Capacity Resource Interconnection Service.

Another Large Generating Facility included in the Class Year 2010 Interconnection Facilities Study, the Berrians III project (Interconnection Queue No. 266), requires the same System Upgrade Facilities described in Sections 2a and 2b of this Appendix A ("Shared System Upgrade Facilities"). If Berrians III, as a member of Class Year 2010, accepts its Project Cost Allocation and posts Security pursuant to the cost allocation rules

contained in Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, and proceeds to negotiate a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, the mechanism for invoicing Berrians for the cost of its interconnection, as determined by Attachment S, will be contained in the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement negotiated among the Connecting Transmission Owner, NYISO and Berrians III. The Parties acknowledge that this Agreement may need to be amended, pursuant to Sections 29.11 and 29.12, to the extent necessary to ensure that both interconnection agreements include cost sharing and invoicing provisions for the Shared System Upgrade Facilities that are consistent with each other and compliant with applicable tariff requirements. The Parties agree to negotiate in good faith regarding any such amendment.

Figure A-1



Appendix B

Milestones

1. Selected Option Pursuant to Article 5.1

Under Section 5.1 of this Agreement, Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner have agreed that, pursuant to Subsection 5.1.3 (Option to Build), Developer will design, procure and construct the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities identified in Sections 1.b and 2.a of Appendix A of this Agreement. Developer will be responsible for the design and procurement, and Con Edison for the construction and installation, of the System Upgrade Facilities identified in Section 2.b of Appendix A of this Agreement.

The Developer shall transfer and the Connecting Transmission Owner shall accept operational responsibility for the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities on the Operational Transfer Date, provided that the Developer (i) shall prior to the Operational Transfer Date, or in a timeframe otherwise acceptable to the Connecting Transmission Owner, provide the Connecting Transmission Owner with any documentation as reasonably required and requested by the Connecting Transmission Owner to comply with any applicable NERC requirements and standards and (ii) shall have constructed that portion of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities required for initial Back Feed, in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Connecting Transmission Owner approved construction work packages.

The Developer shall transfer and the Connecting Transmission Owner shall accept transfer of ownership of the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities on or before the Ownership Transfer Date, provided that the Developer shall have constructed the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Connecting Transmission Owner approved construction work packages.

2. Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner Milestones

	Item	Date	Responsible Party
1	Mechanically Complete:		
1a	- Developer's Attachment Facilities	Complete	Developer
1b	- CTO's Attachment Facilities	Complete	Developer
1c	- System Upgrade Facilities		
1c(i)	GIS Switchgear	Complete	Developer
1c(ii)	Switchyard	Complete	Developer
1c(iii)	Q35L Feeder	Feb 4 2011	Developer
1c(iv)	Q35M Feeder	Dec 20 2010	Developer
1c(v)	East 13 th Street		

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	Q35L	Feb 4 2011	Developer
	Q35M	Dec 20 2010	Developer
1c(vi)	Farragut		
	B47	Feb 4 2011	Developer
	48	Dec 20 2010	Developer
2	Operational Transfer Date	Dec 17 2010	Developer/ Connecting
			Transmission Owner
3	Back Feed		
3a	- Q35L Feeder	Feb 4 2011	Connecting Transmission
			Owner
3b	- Q35M Feeder	Dec 20 2010	Connecting Transmission
			Owner
3c	- Power Plant via (G13)	Dec 23 2010	Developer
4	First Fire		
4a	- CTG 301	Jan 26 2011	Developer
4b	- CTG 401	Jan 29 2011	Developer
5	Ownership Transfer Date	Jan 31 2011	Developer/ Connecting
			Transmission Owner
6	Initial Synchronization		
6a	- CTG 301	Feb 1 2011	Developer
6b	- CTG 401	Feb 6 2011	Developer
6c	- STG	Apr 8 2011	Developer
7	Plant Commercial Operation Date	May 31 2011	Developer

The following notes apply to all work performed on Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities and Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities:

- A. Developer shall submit to Connecting Transmission Owner copies of all required construction permits including all supporting documentation such as calculations, applications and drawings within five days of the execution of this Interconnection Agreement reasonably requested, in writing, by Transmission Owner.
- B. Transmission System emergencies take precedence over all other work and could significantly impact the schedule depending upon the duration of the emergency.
- C. Connecting Transmission Owner schedules its resources months in advance, and its ability to reschedule manpower is limited by resource allocation to other Connecting Transmission Owner projects and tasks. Missing a schedule task or milestone date may result in some delay before Connecting Transmission Owner can reschedule its manpower to work on the assigned task.
- D. Developer shall submit, on or before the Ownership Transfer Date, to Connecting Transmission Owner the Turnover Package which consists of the following documents: picture of equipment nameplate, equipment documentation, Vendor O&M manual, vendor drawings, QA/QC documents, installation commissioning, Engineer of Record Professional,

- Engineer certification, certificate of occupancy, "as built" color markup of design drawings, and warranties.
- E. Developer shall be responsible for all fines imposed on Connecting Transmission Owner or the NYISO by a Governmental Authority or Applicable Reliability Councils due to any Developer action or inaction occurring prior to the Operational Transfer Date and relating to the Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities or Stand Alone System Upgrade Facilities.

Appendix C

Interconnection Details

Description of Large Generating Facility including Point of Interconnection

The Astoria Energy II Large Generating Facility is a combined cycle generation facility consisting of two (2) GE 7FA dual-fuel combustion gas turbines generators (GE model 7241, 3 phase, 2 pole, 3600 RPM, 60 hertz, hydrogen cooled generators, nominal terminal voltage 18,000 volts, 226 MVA 0.85 pf / lagging) and one (1) GE D11 steam turbine generator (GE model D11, 3 phase, 2 pole, 3600 RPM, 60 hertz, hydrogen cooled generators, nominal terminal voltage 18,000 volts, 325 MVA 0.85 pf / lagging), capable of producing approximately 550 MW of summer net output and 650 MW of winter net output (see next paragraph for more precise outputs). The reactive capability of the units is 0.85 Qmax supplying to 0.95 Qmin absorbing.

The units are temperature sensitive and can produce an approximate summer maximum output, based on the temperature range of 85°F to 95°F, and an approximate winter output, based on the temperature range of 10°F to 35°F, as follows:

P summer max gross	595.225 MW @ 85f
P aux load	19.272 MW @ 85f
P summer max net	575.953 MW @ 85f

P winter max gross 632.760 MW @ 10f P aux load 15.537 MW @ 10f P winter max net 617.223 MW @ 10f

Each GE 7FA combustion gas turbine generator has one (1) generator step up transformer (GSU); a Fortune Electric Co., Ltd. three phase, 18/355kV delta-wye, transformers rated 129/172/215 MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF) with impedance 8.5% @ 129MVA and one (1) generator breaker; Areva 18kV, 80kA, 3 phase, 9,200A, SF6, with a 9,200A motor operated disconnect switch and grounding switch.

The GE D11 steam turbine generator has one (1) GSU; a Fortune Electric Co., Ltd. three phase, 18/355kV delta-wye, transformers rated 192/256/320 MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF) with impedance 8.5% @192MVA and one (1) generator breaker; Areva 18kV, 80kA, 3 phase, 12,000A, SF6, with a 12,000A motor operated disconnect switch and grounding switch.

The Point of Interconnection (POI) is located at the new 345 kV New York Power Authority (NYPA) Annex Substation, between breaker positions 1 and 2, as shown in Figure A-1 in Appendix A on page A-10.

From the 345 kV NYPA Annex Substation, power will flow to the Con Edison East 13th Street 345 kV Substation via the NYPA Q35L and Q35M 345 kV feeders. The new 345 kV NYPA Annex Substation is configured as a four breaker ring bus utilizing GIS equipment with expansion capability for an additional (fifth) breaker position, providing for the immediate connection of the Astoria Energy II LGF, NYPA Q35L feeder, NYPA Q35M feeder, and one

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additional generator. Existing shunt reactors, previously located at the recently retired NYPA Charles Poletti Power Project, are to be relocated to the site of the new 345 kV NYPA Annex Substation.

Developer Operating Requirements

Developer must comply with the Connecting Transmission Owner's operating instructions and requirements. Developer must comply will all applicable provisions of this Agreement and all applicable NYISO tariffs and procedures, as amended from time to time.

Appendix D

Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of New York State Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day New York State Transmission System reliability and operational security. The Commission will expect the NYISO, all Transmission Owners, all Developers and all other Market Participants to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber security practices. All personnel working in Transmission Owner's facilities will require security background checks prior to entering and working in such facilities.

• Physical and Operational Security

- The Large Generating Facility site is protected by a 10' high chain link fence with security cameras mounted to 20' poles at each corner of the property. The cameras are equipped with pan and tilt and auto sweep functions.
- Motorized gates with card access readers and with substation operator override are provided.
- o Fence security is provided by continuous sensors.
- All external access doors to the building are equipped with card readers and electric strikes. Master keys and locksets are provided for the control room, server room, security room and communication rooms.
- The system is monitored and logged and available at the security system controller.
- Any attempt at access that is not authorized is recorded and alarmed.
 System trouble and unauthorized attempts to access the site are sent to the substation alarm system which is sent, over secure communication channels to Con Ed's Energy Control Center (ECC)

Cyber Security

- Four dedicated communications lines (i.e. CCTN, two fiber optic and frame relays) with serial communications are used. All external connections use non-routable protocols with encryption.
- All communications channels to/from Con Ed and NYPA are password protected, encrypted and administered by Con Ed and NYPA.

Appendix E

Commercial Operation Date

New York Independent System Operator, Inc
Attn: Vice President, Operations
3890 Carman Road
Schenectady, NY 12303
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[Date]

[Connecting Transmission Owner Address]
Re: Large Generating Facility
Dear:
On [Date] [Developer] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter
confirms that [Developer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at the
Large Generating Facility, effective as of [Date plus one day].
Thank you.
[Signature]
[Developer Representative]

Appendix F

Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

Notices:

NYISO:

Before commercial operation of the Large Generating Facility:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Attn: Vice President, System and Resource Planning

10 Krey Blvd.

Rensselaer, NY 12144 Phone: (518) 356-6000

Fax: (518) 356-7524

After commercial operation of the Large Generating Facility:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Attn: Vice President, Operations

3890 Carman Road

Schenectady, NY 12303

Phone: (518) 356-6000 Fax: (518) 356-6118

Connecting Transmission Owner:

New York Power Authority Senior Vice President of Transmission 123 Main Street White Plains, NY 10601-3170

Developer:

Astoria Energy II LLC

Attn: CEO

17-10 Steinway Street Astoria, NY 11105

Phone: (718) 274-7700 x123

Fax: (718) 204-8564

Billings and Payments:

Connecting Transmission Owner:

New York Power Authority Operating Fund c/o J.P. Morgan Chase, N.A. ABA No.: 021000021 Account No.: 573-804206

Developer:

Astoria Energy II LLC

Attn: CEO

17-10 Steinway Street Astoria, NY 11105

Phone: (718) 274-7700 x123

Fax: (718) 204-8564

Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email):

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APPENDIX G

INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

Transition Period LVRT Standard

The transition period standard applies to wind generating plants subject to FERC Order 661 that have either: (i) interconnection agreements signed and filed with the Commission, filed with the Commission in unexecuted form, finally executed as conforming agreements, or filed with the Commission as non-conforming agreements between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, with a scheduled in-service date no later than December 31, 2007, or (ii) wind generating turbines subject to a wind turbine procurement contract executed prior to December 31, 2005, for delivery through 2007.

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4-9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by the Connecting_Transmission Owner for the Transmission District to which the wind generating plant will be interconnected. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a threephase fault shall be 9 cycles at a voltage as low as 0.15 p.u., as measured at the high side of the wind generating plant step-up transformer (i.e. the transformer that steps the voltage up to the transmission interconnection voltage or "GSU"), after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for threephase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU or to faults that would result in a voltage lower than 0.15 per unit on the high side of the GSU serving the facility.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (e.g., Static VAr

Compensator, etc.) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.

5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

Post-transition Period LVRT Standard

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 – 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by the Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission District to which the wind generating plant will be interconnected. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be 9 cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may

disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.

- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (e.g., Static VAr Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

A wind generating plant shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this LGIA,

if the ISO's System Reliability Impact Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability.

The power factor range standards can be met using, for example without limitation, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by the Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission District to which the wind generating plant will be interconnected, or a combination of the two. The Developer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Reliability Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from the ISO and/or the Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission District to which the wind generating plant will be interconnected, as applicable, to protect system reliability. The Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission District to which the wind generating plant will be interconnected and the wind plant Developer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

AMENDED AND RESTATED SPECIAL PROTECTION SYSTEM ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT

between

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid

And

New Athens Generating Company, LLC

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AMENDED AND RESTATED SPECIAL PROTECTION SYSTEM ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED SPECIAL PROTECTION ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of the Effective Date between Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("NGrid") and New Athens Generating Company, LLC ("Athens"). NGrid or Athens each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Athens owns and operates an approximately 1,080 MW electric generation facility located in Athens, New York (the "Athens Plant") that is interconnected to the transmission system owned by NGrid; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have an existing Interconnection Agreement governing the interconnection dated May 15, 2001 ("Interconnection Agreement"); and an existing Special Protection System Engineering, Construction, and Implementation Agreement effective December 14, 2006 between NGrid and Athens (the "December 14, 2006 Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the December 14, 2006 Agreement, a Special Protection System, (as defined in the December 14, 2006 Agreement) was installed and has been operating since January 2008 and has produced improved deliverability for the Athens Plant; and

WHEREAS, Athens continues to have an interest in maintaining the improved deliverability of the Athens Plant; and

WHEREAS, although certain types of permanent physical reinforcements or upgrades of the transmission system ("<u>PPR</u>") would increase the deliverability of energy from the Athens Plant when the Athens Plant is operating and remove the need for the SPS, any such PPR has yet to be developed and will not reasonably be implemented for several years; and

WHEREAS, as an additional interim step to maintain the improved Athens Plant deliverability and further the reliability of the SPS, the Parties agreed to design and install redundant capability to the SPS in accordance with the terms set forth in this Agreement; and further have agreed that nothing in this Agreement is intended to modify any provisions of the Interconnection Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

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ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- 1.1 "Athens" has the meaning set forth in the preamble of this Agreement, including its permitted successors or assignees.
- 1.2 "Athens Financing" means (a) one or more loans and/or debt issues, together with all modifications, renewals, supplements, substitutions and replacements thereof, the proceeds of which are used to finance or refinance the costs of the Athens Plant, any alteration, expansion or improvement to the Athens Plant, the purchase and sale of the Athens Plant or the operations at the Athens Plant or (b) a power purchase agreement pursuant to which Athens' obligations are secured by a mortgage or other lien on the Athens Plant.
- 1.3 "Athens Finance Holder" means (a) any holder, trustee or agent for holders, of any component of the Athens Financing or (b) any purchaser of power from the Athens Plant to which Athens has granted a mortgage or other lien as security for some or all of Athens' obligations under the corresponding power purchase agreement.
 - 1.4 "Athens Plant" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- 1.5 "Affiliate" means, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.
- 1.6 "Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble of this Agreement, including all appendices, attachments and any amendments hereto.
- 1.7 "Applicable Laws and Regulations" means all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, and all duly promulgated orders and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Parties and/or their respective facilities.
- 1.8 "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or other day on which commercial banks in New York are authorized or required by law to be closed.
- 1.9 "Commercially Reasonable Efforts" means, with respect to any action required to be made, attempted or taken by a Party under this Agreement, such efforts as a reasonably prudent business would undertake for the protection of its own interest under the conditions affecting such action.
 - 1.10 "DPS" means the New York State Department of Public Service

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- 1.11 "Effective Date" means March 31, 2013.
- 1.12 "<u>Estimated Cost Amount</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a) of this Agreement.
 - 1.13 "Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(a) of this Agreement.
 - 1.14 "Event of Default" has the meaning set forth in Article 6 of this Agreement.
- 1.15 "<u>Facility Study</u>" means study performed pursuant to the December 14, 2006 Agreement consistent with the requirements of Section 19.4 of the NYISO open access transmission tariff on file with and accepted by the.
- 1.16 "<u>December 14, 2006 Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- 1.17 "<u>FERC</u>" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or any successor thereto.
- 1.18 "Force Majeure" means any act of God, labor disturbance, act of public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other act or cause beyond a Party's reasonable control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.
- 1.19 "Good Utility Practice(s)" means any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region. Good Utility Practice shall include, but not be limited to compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, the criteria, rules, and standards promulgated by NERC, the National Electric Safety Code, NPCC, NYSRC, NYISO and the National Electrical Code, as they may be amended from time to time, including the criteria, rules and standards of any successor organizations.
- 1.20 "Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, local or municipal governmental body; any governmental, regulatory or administrative agency, commission, body or other authority exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, policy, regulatory or taxing authority or power; or any court or governmental tribunal.

- 1.21 "Indemnitee" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(b) of this Agreement.
- 1.22 "Indemnitor" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(b) of this Agreement.
- 1.23 "<u>Interconnection Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - 1.24 "Operational Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.
- 1.25 "Party" has the meaning set forth in the preamble of this Agreement, including its permitted successors or assignees.
- 1.26 "<u>Physical Removal Notice</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3 of this Agreement.
 - 1.27 "PPR" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - 1.28 "Project Scope" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1 of this Agreement.
- 1.29 "NERC" means the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, including any successor thereto or any regional reliability council thereof.
- 1.30 "NPCC" means the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc., including any successor thereto.
- 1.31 "NYISO" means the New York Independent System Operator, Inc., including any successor thereto.
- 1.32 "NYSRC" means the New York State Reliability Council, including any successor thereto.
- 1.33 "<u>Redundant SPS Configuration</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a) of this Agreement.
- 1.34 "<u>Redundant SPS Configuration Study</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a) of this Agreement.
- 1.35 "Second Operational Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.
- 1.36 "SPS" means a special protection system intended to increase the deliverability of energy from the Athens Plant when the Athens Plant is operating by permitting post-contingency loading of either of lines 91 or 92 on the Transmission System up to its short term emergency rating, as established by the NYISO, following the contingent loss of either line 91 or line 92 and that will automatically cause a reduction in generation output at the Athens Plant within two (2) minutes to a level that reduces the loading of the remaining line to below its long term emergency

rating as established by the NYISO and includes the systems installed pursuant to the December 14, 2006 Agreement and this Agreement, including, without limitation, the Redundant SPS Configuration.

- 1.37 "TCCs" means Transmission Congestion Contracts as that term is defined in the NYISO's open access transmission tariff on file with and accepted by FERC.
 - 1.38 "<u>Transmission System</u>" means the transmission facilities owned by NGrid.

ARTICLE 2. TERM AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

2.1 Term

This Agreement shall become effective as of the Effective Date, and shall continue in full force and effect until one of the following occurs: (i) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (ii) Athens terminates the Agreement by providing NGrid written notice at least five (5) Business Days before the termination date contained in such notice; (iii) NGrid terminates this Agreement by providing Athens written notice (x) at least five (5) Business Days before the termination date contained in such notice or (y) following permanent physical removal of the SPS equipment by NGrid in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, or (iv) the Agreement terminates as otherwise permitted or provided for under this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to suggest that any termination or removal of the SPS necessarily would be inconsistent with Good Utility Practice.

2.2 Effect of Termination of Agreement on Liabilities and Obligations

Except as otherwise provided for in this Agreement, expiration or termination of this Agreement shall not relieve the Parties of any liabilities or obligations arising hereunder prior to the date that termination becomes effective. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings, billing adjustments, and the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect.

2.3 Approvals

Each Party shall use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to obtain in a timely manner applicable federal, state, NYISO or other consents, approvals, certifications, filings or orders, if any, that may be required for it to perform under, or that otherwise is required in connection with, this Agreement. Furthermore, following the Effective Date, each Party shall use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to implement the Redundant SPS Configuration consistent with Section 3.2.

Without limiting the foregoing, NGrid may permanently physically remove the SPS equipment if its own reliability reviews undertaken in accordance with Section 3.4 identify a reliability risk, whether imminent or not, to the Transmission System attributable to the SPS. If

NGrid intends to permanently physically remove the SPS equipment from the transmission system based on its own reliability review, NGrid shall provide Athens, the NYISO, the DPS, and the NYSRC with prior written notice ("Physical Removal Notice") before implementing such permanent physical removal of the SPS equipment. NGrid shall provide the Physical Removal Notice not less than ninety (90) days prior to the implementation date for such physical removal of the SPS equipment, provided, however, that, NGrid may provide less than such ninety (90) days' notice if earlier physical removal of the SPS equipment is required to remain in compliance with (i) Applicable Laws and Regulations, (ii) any applicable reliability or other rules, codes or standards promulgated by NERC, the NYISO, the NPCC, the NYSRC, or any of their respective successors, or (iii) any applicable requirements of the National Electrical Code or the National Electric Safety Code, in which case NGrid shall provide the Physical Removal Notice as soon as practicable under the circumstances. Only one Physical Removal Notice is required from NGrid to the extent the implementation date as described above is delayed for any reason past the ninety (90) day period. The foregoing notwithstanding, NGrid may permanently physically remove the SPS equipment at any time after the end of the Operational Period or, if applicable, the Second Operational Period (as such terms are defined in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.)

Each Party shall support the Agreement before any regulatory agency having jurisdiction, and shall not protest or contest the Agreement or any part of it before any such agency, except as might otherwise be provided for in this Agreement. The terms and conditions of this Agreement are expressly contingent upon approval(s) of any regulatory agency having jurisdiction without material modification or condition, unless such modification(s) or condition(s) are agreed to by the Parties in writing.

ARTICLE 3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

3.1 <u>Project Scope</u>

The scope of implementation is as follows ("Project Scope"):

- (a) Redundant SPS Configuration Study: NGrid shall perform pursuant to this Agreement a detailed engineering and cost analysis (the "Redundant SPS Configuration Study") that describes the redundant SPS equipment, controls, communications and other configuration elements (the "Redundant SPS Configuration") and that specifies a non-binding estimate of the actual cost of the Redundant SPS Configuration, including, without limitation, the estimated actual cost of designing, engineering, procuring equipment for, constructing, installing, testing and commissioning the Redundant SPS Configuration (the "Estimated Cost Amount"). The Parties agree to operate the SPS in accordance with the operational criteria established in the Facility Study and the Redundant SPS Configuration Study.
- (b) <u>SPS Design and Procurement:</u> NGrid, following receipt of written permission from Athens to proceed to final design, shall perform the final design and procure the necessary equipment for the Redundant SPS Configuration.
- (c) <u>SPS Installation, Testing and Start-up:</u> NGrid, with Athens' assistance at its communication interfaces, will install, calibrate and test the Redundant SPS Configuration.
- (d) <u>Acceptance and Commissioning:</u> Upon acceptance and commissioning by both Parties, the SPS in the Redundant SPS Configuration will be considered fully operational.

3.2 <u>Tentative Project Milestone Schedule</u>

The Parties shall use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to install the Redundant SPS Configuration in accordance with Section 3.1 and the following schedule:

- Six (6) months after approval of this Agreement by FERC NGrid provides the Redundant SPS Configuration Study for review and approval by Athens (the approval of Athens shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed).
- Two (2) months after Athens' receipt of the Redundant SPS Configuration Study The Redundant SPS Configuration Study is accepted by Athens, and final design and equipment/materials procurement can begin.
- Six (6) months after Athens' acceptance of the Redundant SPS Configuration Study NGrid completes final design of the Redundant SPS Configuration.
- Six (6) months after the completion of the final design of the Redundant SPS Configuration SPS in the Redundant SPS Configuration is energized and commissioned.

Parties shall not be responsible for any delays in the above schedule caused by the actions or inactions of the other Party or of any third parties.

3.3 Implementation of the SPS

- (a) Subject to the terms of this Agreement NGrid's obligation to use Commercially Reasonable Efforts and any NGrid rights specified in this Agreement to remove the SPS from operational service or to permanently physically remove the SPS equipment, NGrid shall design, install, own, operate, and maintain the SPS in compliance with Good Utility Practice and applicable NYISO requirements. The configuration of the SPS shall be as set forth in the (1) "System Impact Study for the Special Protection System for the Athens Power Plant" report dated October 16, 2006 as submitted to the Transmission Planning Advisory Subcommittee, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and (2) the "Conceptual Report –Redundant SPS" attached hereto as Exhibit B, as supplemented by the Redundant SPS Configuration Study.
- (b) If requested by Athens, NGrid shall inform Athens at such times as Athens reasonably requests, e.g., monthly, of the status of the design, construction and installation of the SPS, including, but not limited to, the following information: progress to date; a description of scheduled activities for the next period; the delivery status of all equipment ordered; and the identification of any event which NGrid reasonably expects may delay construction or commissioning, or increase the cost, of the Redundant SPS Configuration.
- (c) If the Parties agree to a change to the Project Scope subsequent to the approval of the Redundant SPS Configuration Study, any such change shall be in writing and signed by authorized representatives of the Parties and shall contain such schedule adjustments and/or extensions and cost adjustments as may be mutually agreed upon by the Parties ("Change Agreement"). All additional work contemplated by any such change to the Project Scope shall be performed in accordance with this Agreement and the related Change Agreement.
- (d) Any system upgrade facility costs incurred in connection with the electric delivery systems of NGrid or others due to the construction and/or implementation of the SPS, including, without limitation, the Redundant SPS Configuration, shall be the responsibility of Athens.

3.4 Permanent Physical Reinforcement (PPR)

- (a) The SPS shall continue to be operational for ten (10) years from the date that the Redundant SPS Configuration is commissioned in accordance with Section 3.1(d), or until a PPR is installed and operational, whichever period is shorter (the "Operational Period"). During this Operational Period, Athens shall cooperate in the identification of, and in conducting discussions with, third parties that may reasonably be expected to fund a PPR.
- (b) During the Operational Period, NGrid will conduct periodic reliability reviews of the Redundant SPS Configuration at Athens' expense, provided, that, Athens' obligation to pay such expenses shall not exceed \$100,000 per reliability review. The first such reliability review will be completed following the end of the first year of the Operational Period; additional reliability reviews will be conducted every two years thereafter during the Operational Period. A copy of each reliability review will be provided to Athens. If any reliability review identifies a reliability risk, whether imminent or not, to the Transmission System attributable to the SPS,

NGrid shall have the right to remove the SPS from operational service. NGrid shall have the right to permanently physically remove the SPS equipment at the end of the Operational Period without prior notice.

- (c) Within six (6) months prior to the completion of the initial Operational Period, Athens has the option to request in writing to extend operation of the SPS for an additional operational period ending (a) ten (10) years from the termination date of the initial Operational Period, or (b) on the date a PPR is installed and operational, whichever period is shorter (the "Second Operational Period"), subject to the terms contained in paragraph (b) above. During the Second Operational Period, Athens shall cooperate in the identification of, and in conducting discussions with, third parties that may reasonably be expected to fund a PPR.
- (d) The foregoing notwithstanding, (i) NGrid shall have the unilateral right to operate or not operate the SPS at any time if, in its reasonable judgment, NGrid determines that operation of the SPS creates an immediate or near term risk to Transmission System reliability, (ii) NGrid shall have the right to permanently physically remove the SPS equipment pursuant to Section 2.3 of this Agreement and (iii) NGrid shall have the right to permanently physically remove the SPS equipment at any time after the end of the Operational Period (or after the end of the Second Operational Period, if applicable).

ARTICLE 4. SPS COSTS AND BILLING

4.1 SPS Construction Completion and Cost

- (a) In accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Athens shall pay to NGrid all of the actual costs NGrid incurs in connection with performing the Project Scope and any other work, procurement or services contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) Athens shall have the right to receive, and NGrid shall provide upon Athens' request, such cost and other information as is reasonably necessary to verify the cost of the Redundant SPS Configuration or any other cost that Athens pays NGrid hereunder. Athens shall have the right, during normal business hours, at its sole expense and upon prior reasonable notice, to audit NGrid's accounts and records pertaining to this Agreement at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained.
- (c) NGrid shall render to Athens invoices pursuant to the payment schedule as follows for the estimated costs of the Redundant SPS Configuration.
 - (1) Agreement Execution:

\$ 100,000 ("Initial Invoice").

(2) Acceptance of Redundant SPS Configuration Study: Any study or design related costs set forth in the Redundant SPS Configuration Study to the extent not already paid pursuant to Section 4.1(c)(1).

- (3) Completion of Final Design: the Estimated Cost Amount, to the extent not already paid pursuant to Section 4.1(c)(2).
- (4) Subject to Section 4.1(a), within sixty (60) days after the date that the SPS is energized and commissioned, NGrid shall provide to Athens an invoice for the final remaining unpaid actual costs of the Redundant SPS Configuration and the amount due from Athens net of all amounts paid pursuant to Section 4.1(c) ("Post-IO Invoice").
- (d) Athens shall make payments of such invoices in accordance with Section 4.2 below. To the extent that the estimated costs already paid by Athens to NGrid exceed the final, actual cost of the SPS specified in the Post-IO Invoice, NGrid shall refund to Athens an amount equal to such excess amount within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the Post-IO Invoice. If such refund is overdue, such overdue amount shall accrue interest in accordance with Section 4.2(a) below from the due date of such unpaid amount until the date paid.

4.2 Invoices and Payments

- (a) The Initial Invoice shall be payable on the Effective Date. Subject to Section 4.2(b) below, Athens shall make payment of the amount shown under all other invoices rendered pursuant to Section 4.1(d) above to be due to NGrid by wire transfer to an account specified by NGrid not later than the thirty-fifth (35th) day after issuance of the invoice, unless such day is not a Business Day, in which case Athens shall make payment on the next Business Day after the thirty-fifth (35) day after issuance of such invoice. All such payments shall be deemed to be made when said wire transfer is received by NGrid. Overdue payments by either Party hereunder shall accrue interest daily at the then current prime interest rate (the base corporate loan interest rate) published in the Money and Investing section of the Wall Street Journal, or, if no longer so published, in any mutually agreeable publication, plus 2% per annum, from the due date of such unpaid amount until the date paid.
- (b) In the event Athens fails, to make payment of any undisputed amount to NGrid on or before the due date as described above, and such failure of payment is not corrected within forty-five (45) calendar days of the applicable original due date, an Event of Default by Athens shall be deemed to exist. In the event that Athens disputes a portion of any invoiced amount in good faith, and provides written notice of such dispute together with a reasonable description of the reason therefor (all prior to the applicable due date), NGrid will continue to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement during the pendency of such dispute, provided, that, Athens continues to pay all amounts not in dispute when such amounts are due. A dispute with respect to a subset or portion of an invoice or invoiced amount shall not excuse payment on the original due date of any undisputed portion or subset of the invoice or invoiced amount.
- (c) In the event adjustments or corrections to an invoice are required as a result of errors in computation or billing, NGrid shall promptly re-compute amounts due hereunder and correct any errors in such invoice. If the total amount, as recomputed, due from Athens is less than the total amount due as previously computed, and payment of the previously computed

amount has been made, the difference shall be paid to Athens within thirty (30) days after correction of the erroneous invoice(s), together with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology specified in Section 4.2(a); if the total amount, as recomputed, due from Athens is more than the total amount due as previously computed, and payment of the previously computed amount has been made, the difference shall be invoiced to Athens according the methodology specified in Section 4.2(a); provided, however, that no adjustment for any invoice or payment will be made unless objection to the accuracy thereof was made prior to the lapse of ninety (90) days from the receipt thereof; and provided further that this Article 4 will survive any termination of the Agreement for a period of one (1) year from the date of such termination for the purpose of resolving such invoice and payment issues.

(d) Payment of invoices by any Party will not constitute a waiver of any right or claims such Party may have under this Agreement or under law.

ARTICLE 5. TCCs

To the extent that TCCs or other rights or benefits are created by or attributable to the SPS, such TCCs or other rights or benefits will be the property of and allocated to the entity(ies) that fund the SPS in proportion to the amount funded by such entity(ies). If TCCs attributable to the SPS are created, and if Athens is unable to meet its generation obligations, then Athens will be responsible financially for any resulting congestion rent shortfall cost directly chargeable to TCC holders under the NYISO open access transmission tariff.

ARTICLE 6. DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

It shall be an "Event of Default" in respect of a Party under this Agreement, if such Party shall (a) fail to make payment of any amount hereunder when due, or (b) fail in any material respect to comply with, observe or perform, or default in the performance of, any other material covenant or obligation under this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty made herein by such Party shall fail to be true and correct in all material respects, and after receipt of written notice, such failure shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days, provided, however, if such failure is not a failure to pay amounts when due and is not capable of cure within thirty (30) days, the Party in default shall commence such cure within thirty (30) days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) days of receipt of such notice. Each Athens Finance Holder will have the right, but not the obligation, to cure any default by Athens. If an Event of Default shall occur and continue for more than ninety (90) days from the date the notice of default is received, the non-defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement. In addition to the rights and remedies described in this Agreement and subject to the limitations set forth in this Agreement, the non-defaulting Party may exercise, at its election, any right or remedy it may have at law or in equity, including but not limited to compensation for monetary damages, injunctive relief and specific performance.

ARTICLE 7. NOTICES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTIES

7.1 Notices

Any notice, demand or request required or authorized by this Agreement to be given by one Party to the other Party shall be in writing. It shall either be personally delivered, transmitted by electronic mail, telecopy or facsimile equipment (with receipt verbally and electronically confirmed), sent by overnight courier or mailed, postage prepaid, to the other Party at the address designated pursuant to this Article 7. Any such notice, demand or request so delivered or mailed shall be deemed to be given when so delivered or three (3) days after mailed.

7.2 Addresses of the Parties

(a) Notices and other communications by Athens to NGrid shall be addressed to:

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation Attn: Director. Transmission Commercial Services 300 Erie Boulevard West Syracuse, New York 13202 Phone: 781-907-2422

Phone: 781-907-2422 Facsimile: 781-907-5707

(b) Notices and other communications by NGrid to Athens shall be addressed to:

New Athens Generating Company, LLC Attn. Plant Manager 9300 U.S. Highway 9W P.O. Box 349 Athens, New York 12015

Phone: 518-945-3844 Facsimile: 518-945-3751

With an additional copy to:

Competitive Power Ventures, Inc Attn. Plant Asset Manager 35 Braintree Hill Office Park Suite 400 Braintree, MA 02184

Phone: 781-848-5387 Facsimile: 781-848-5804 (c) Either Party may change its address by written notice to the other in accordance with this Article 7.

ARTICLE 8.

INSURANCE, INDEMNIFICATION AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

8.1 Indemnification

- (a) Athens hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NGrid, its affiliates, and its and its affiliates' directors, officers, agents, representatives, and employees from and against any and all claims, demands, civil penalties, causes of action, losses, liabilities (including without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) and damages (collectively, "Damages") to the extent that such Damages are caused by (i) Athens' performance or non-performance of its obligations under this Agreement or (ii) during the period in which the SPS is in operation, the operational failure of the SPS or the failure of Athens to sufficiently reduce the output of the Athens Plant within fifteen (15) minutes following an opening of either Lines 91 or 92 of the Transmission System (each, an "Event"); provided however, the provisions of this Section 8.1(a) shall not apply to the extent that such claims, demands, penalties, causes of action, losses or liabilities are attributable to the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of NGrid or any of its affiliates, and, further provided, that Athens' liability with respect to item (ii) above shall not exceed \$5 million per Event.
- (b) When making a claim for indemnification under Section 8.1(a), NGrid (the "Indemnitee"), shall notify Athens (the "Indemnitor") of the claim in writing promptly after receiving notice of any action, lawsuit, proceeding, investigation or other claim against it (if by a third party), describing the claim, the amount thereof (if known and quantifiable) and the basis thereof. The Indemnitor shall be entitled to participate in the defense of such action, lawsuit, proceeding, investigation or other claim giving rise to an Indemnitee's claim for indemnification at such Indemnitor's expense, and at its option shall be entitled to assume the defense thereof by appointing a reputable counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnitee to be the lead counsel in connection with such defense; provided that the Indemnitor shall continue to be entitled to assert any limitation on any claims contained herein; provided further the Indemnitee shall be entitled to participate in the defense of such claim and to employ counsel of its choice for such purpose; provided however, that the fees and expenses of such separate counsel shall be borne by the Indemnitee. If the Indemnitor shall control the defense of any such claim then the Indemnitor shall be entitled to settle such claim; provided, that, the Indemnitor shall obtain the prior written consent of the Indemnitee (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) before entering into any settlement of a claim or ceasing to defend such claim if, pursuant to or as a result of such settlement or cessation, injunctive or other equitable relief will be imposed against the Indemnitee or if such settlement does not expressly and unconditionally release the Indemnitee from all liabilities and obligations with respect to such claim.

8.2 Limitation of Liability: Disclaimer of Warranty

Except to the extent required by Section 8.1(a) of this Agreement, in no event shall either Party, with respect to any claim arising out of this Agreement, whether based on contract, tort (including the negligence of such Party, whether sole or joint and concurrent with the negligence of such other Party or some third-party's gross negligence, willful misconduct, or strict liability) or otherwise, be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary, or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, delays, lost profits, business interruptions, and claims of suppliers and customers, whether or not (i) such damages were reasonably foreseeable or (ii) such Party was advised or aware that such damages might be incurred.

NGrid's total cumulative liability for all claims of any kind, whether based upon contract, tort (including negligence and strict liability), or otherwise, for any loss, injury, or damage connected with, or resulting from, this Agreement, shall not exceed the aggregate amount of all payments made to NGrid by Athens pursuant to Section 4.1(a) of this Agreement and/or that were paid pursuant to the December 14, 2006 Agreement.

THE WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 12. ARE EXCLUSIVE AND NEITHER PARTY MAKES ANY OTHER WARRANTIES. REPRESENTATIONS, OR GUARANTEES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER STATUTORY, ORAL, WRITTEN, EXPRESS, OR IMPLIED. INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE; ALL SUCH WARRANTIES, REPRESENTATIONS, AND GUARANTEES ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED. THIS DISCLAIMER SHALL SURVIVE ANY CANCELLATION, COMPLETION, TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT. ANY WARRANTIES PROVIDED BY ORIGINAL MANUFACTURERS', LICENSORS', OR PROVIDERS' OF MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT, OR OTHER ITEMS PROVIDED OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT ("THIRD PARTY WARRANTIES") ARE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED WARRANTIES OF EITHER PARTY AND NO PARTY MAKES. ANY REPRESENTATIONS, GUARANTEES, OR WARRANTIES AS TO THE APPLICABILITY OR ENFORCEABILITY OF ANY SUCH THIRD PARTY WARRANTIES.

ARTICLE 9.

FORCE MAJEURE

Except for the obligation to make any payments under this Agreement, each Party shall be excused from performing its respective obligations under this Agreement and shall not be liable in damages or otherwise if and to the extent that it is unable to so perform or is prevented from performing by a Force Majeure, provided that (i) the non-performing Party, as promptly as

practicable after the occurrence of the Force Majeure, but in no event later than fourteen (14) days thereafter, gives the other Party written notice describing the particulars of the occurrence; (ii) the suspension of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is reasonably required by the Force Majeure; (iii) the non-performing Party uses all Commercially Reasonable Efforts to remedy its inability to perform; and (iv) neither Party shall be required to settle any strike, walkout, lockout or other labor dispute on terms which, in the sole judgment of the Party involved in the dispute, are contrary to its interest, it being understood and agreed that the settlement of strikes, walkouts, lockouts or other labor disputes shall be entirely within the discretion of the Party having such dispute.

ARTICLE 10. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW; PERMITS; APPROVALS

10.1 Applicable Laws and Regulations

This Agreement and all rights, obligations, and performances of the Parties hereunder are subject to Applicable Laws and Regulations and the Parties shall discharge their obligations under this Agreement in accordance with Good Utility Practice and all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

10.2 Approvals, Permits, Etc.

Each Party shall give all required notices, and, subject to the above terms, shall use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to procure and maintain all necessary governmental approvals, permits, licenses and inspections necessary for its performance of this Agreement, and shall pay all charges and fees in connection therewith.

ARTICLE 11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

11.1 Internal Dispute Resolution Procedures

Each Party shall appoint a representative who shall be responsible for administering this Agreement on behalf of such Party and for representing the Party's interests in disagreements. Any dispute that is not resolved between the Parties' representatives within ten (10) Business Days of when the disagreement is first raised by written notice by either Party to the other Party shall be referred by the Parties' representatives in writing to the senior management of the Parties for resolution. In the event the senior management are unable to resolve the dispute within ten (10) Business Days (or such other period as the Parties may agree upon), each Party may pursue resolution of the dispute only through the other dispute resolution provisions set forth in this Article 11 of this Agreement. All negotiations pursuant to this Section 11.1 for the resolution of disputes will be confidential, and shall be treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for purposes of the Federal Rules of Evidence and any State Rules of Evidence.

11.2 Continued Performance

The Parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement during the pendency of any dispute including a dispute regarding the effectiveness or the purported termination of this Agreement.

11.3 Arbitration

- (a) If any claim or dispute arising hereunder is not resolved within sixty (60) days after notice thereof to the other Party, the Parties may agree in writing to the submission of the dispute to binding arbitration in New York City, New York or other mutually agreed upon location and shall be heard by one mutually agreed-to neutral arbitrator under the American Arbitration Association's Commercial Arbitration Rules ("Arbitration Rules"); provided, however, that, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms and provisions of this Article 11, the terms and provisions of this Article 11 shall govern. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within five (5) Business Days, each Party shall have an additional three (3) Business Days to choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall, within ten (10) Business Days after their selection, select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for one half the costs of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties, or in the alternative the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen.
- (b) Unless otherwise agreed, the arbitration process shall be expeditiously concluded no later than three (3) months after the date that it is initiated and the award of the arbitrator shall be accompanied by a reasoned opinion if requested by either Party. The arbitrator(s) shall have no authority to award punitive or other damages inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement. The arbitrator(s) shall have the authority only to interpret and apply the terms and conditions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change any such term or condition. The arbitrator(s) shall be required to follow all Applicable Laws and Regulations. The arbitration shall be conducted as a common law arbitration and the decision of the arbitrator(s) rendered in such a proceeding shall be final; provided, however, that such decision may be challenged solely on grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s) or the decision itself violates the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act. Judgment may be entered upon it in any court having jurisdiction.

11.4 Procedures

(a) The procedures for the resolution of disputes set forth in this Agreement shall be the sole and exclusive procedures for the resolution of disputes; provided, however, that a Party may seek a preliminary injunction or other preliminary judicial relief if in its judgment such action is necessary to avoid irreparable damage or to preserve the status quo. All applicable statutes of limitations and defenses based upon the passage of time shall be tolled while the procedures specified herein are pending. The Parties will take such action, if any, required to effectuate such tolling. Each Party is required to continue to perform its undisputed obligations under this Agreement pending final resolution of a dispute.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, either Party may file a petition or complaint with the FERC with respect to any claim or dispute over which the FERC has jurisdiction and nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any such right.

11.5 <u>Confidentiality</u>

The existence, contents, or results of any arbitration proceeding conducted under this Article 11 may not be disclosed without the prior written consent of both Parties; provided, however, that either Party may (a) make such disclosures as may be necessary to (1) satisfy regulatory obligations to any regulatory authority having jurisdiction, or (2) seek or obtain from a court of competent jurisdiction judgment on, confirmation, or vacation of an arbitration award; (b) inform its lenders, affiliates, auditors, and insurers, as necessary, under pledge of confidentiality; and (c) consult with experts as required in connection with the arbitration proceeding under pledge of confidentiality. If either Party seeks a preliminary injunctive relief from any court to preserve the status quo or avoid irreparable harm pending arbitration, the Parties agree to use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to keep the court proceedings confidential, to the maximum extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE 12. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

12.1 Athens' Representations and Warranties

Athens makes the following representations and warranties:

- (a) Athens is duly formed, validity existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of formation, and is in good standing under the laws of the state of its formation.
- (b) Athens has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to become a party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder and this Agreement is a legal, valid and binding obligation of Athens enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by laws of general applicability limiting the enforcement of creditor's rights or by the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity.
- (c) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of Athens, or any judgment, license, permit or order or material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon Athens or any of its assets.
- (d) Athens has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with, and subject to, the terms of this Agreement will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization or order of, or acceptance of a filing with, or notice to, any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction concerning this Agreement, in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement.

12.2 NGrid's Representations and Warranties

NGrid makes the following representations and warranties:

- (a) NGrid is duly organized or formed, as applicable, validity existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization or formation, and is in good standing under the laws of the state of its organization.
- (b) NGrid has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to become a party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder and this Agreement is a legal, valid and binding obligation of NGrid enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by laws of general applicability limiting the enforcement of creditor's rights or by the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity.
- (c) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of NGrid, or any judgment, license, permit or order or material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon NGrid or any of its assets.
- (d) NGrid has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with, and subject to, the terms of this Agreement will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization or order of, or acceptance of a filing with, or notice to, any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction concerning this Agreement, in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 13. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

13.1 Severability

If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held to be invalid or unenforceable, shall in no way be affected or impaired thereby.

13.2 Modifications

No waiver of a Party's rights hereunder shall be binding unless it shall be in writing and signed by the Party against which enforcement is sought. This Agreement may be amended by and only by a written instrument duly executed by each of the Parties hereto.

13.3 Prior Agreements Superseded

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the

subject matter hereof and shall supersede the December 14, 2006 Agreement and all other previous agreements, discussions, communications and correspondence with respect to such subject matter, provided, that, this Agreement shall replace and supersede the December 14, 2006 Agreement only with effect from and after the Effective Date. In the event of any inconsistency between this Agreement and the Exhibits attached hereto and made a part hereof, this Agreement shall control.

13.4 <u>Counterparts</u>

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each executed counterpart shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument.

13.5 Relationship of Parties/No Third-Party Beneficiaries

- (a) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between the Parties, including any partnership or joint venture, other than that of independent contractors.
- (b) This Agreement is not intended to, and does not, confer upon any Person other than the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, any rights, benefits, or remedies hereunder.

13.6 Confidentiality of Information

All information disclosed by a Party in connection herewith and considered by (a) such Party to be confidential, proprietary or of a competitive value shall be kept confidential by the other Party so long as such information is marked "confidential" or "proprietary" at the time of disclosure, or if disclosed orally, the receiving Party confirms promptly in writing that such information is to be treated as confidential for purposes of this Agreement ("Confidential Information"). All information which concerns the cost, design or operation of the Athens Plant, whether exchanged orally or in written or electronic form, and all information that is metered or telemetered with respect to the Athens Plant shall be deemed to be Confidential Information of Athens without any requirement for marking. All information which concerns the cost, design or operation of the NGrid Transmission System, whether exchanged orally or in written or electronic form, and all information that is metered or telemetered with respect to such Transmission System shall be deemed to be Confidential Information of NGrid without any requirement for marking. Each Party shall only be permitted to disclose Confidential Information of the other Party to its Affiliates and its Affiliates' officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants, and contractors who need to know such Confidential Information for the purpose of implementing, enforcing, or interpreting this Agreement (but only so long as the disclosure of such information to such persons and the use of such Confidential Information thereby complies with the requirement of applicable FERC standards or codes of conduct). Each Party agrees to notify such persons of the confidential nature of such Confidential Information and to be responsible for any unauthorized disclosure of such Confidential Information by such persons in violation of the terms of this Agreement. Confidential Information shall not be

deemed to subject to the restriction contained in this Section 13.6 if it (i) was in the public domain prior to the date hereof, (ii) becomes publicly available after the date hereof other than as a result of the unauthorized disclosure thereof by a Party or by an officer, director, employee, agent or Affiliate of a Party in violation of the terms of this Agreement, or (iii) becomes available to a Party, its Affiliates, or its or its Affiliates' officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants, or contractors on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the other Party if such source was not subject to any prohibition against transmitting the Confidential Information. Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, each Party, its Affiliates, or its or its Affiliates' officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants, or contractors may disclose Confidential Information to the extent it is required to do so by law, by a court or by other governmental or regulatory authorities. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, Confidential Information may be disclosed to the NYISO, NERC and any governmental, judicial or regulatory authority, requiring such Confidential Information, provided that, prior to disclosure, the disclosing Party shall promptly inform the other party of the substance of any inquiries so that the other Party may take whatever action it deems appropriate including intervention in any proceeding and the seeking of an injunction to prohibit such disclosure. The restrictions with respect to Confidential Information contained in this Section 13.6 shall expire three (3) years from the date on which such Confidential Information was originally disclosed hereunder.

(b) Each Party may utilize Confidential Information of the disclosing Party in any proceeding or dispute under Article 11 or in an administrative agency or court of competent jurisdiction addressing any dispute arising under this Agreement, subject to a confidentiality agreement with all participants (including, if applicable, any arbitrator) or a protective order.

13.7 Interpretation; Applicable Law

The words "include" or "including" shall mean including without limitation based on the item or items listed. Except as otherwise stated, reference to Articles, Sections, Schedules, Appendices and Exhibits mean the Articles, Sections, and Exhibits of this Agreement. The Appendices are hereby incorporated by reference into and shall be deemed a part of this Agreement. All indices, titles, subject headings, section titles and similar items in this Agreement are provided for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not intended to be inclusive or definitive or otherwise to convey or affect the meaning of the contents, scope, or any provision of this Agreement.

This Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced according to the laws of the State of New York, and not those laws determined by application of New York's conflicts of law principles.

13.8 Successors, Assigns and Assignments

(a) This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

- (b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, neither Party shall assign or otherwise transfer all or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, except that a Party may assign or transfer its rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, in the following cases, provided, however, no such assignment or transfer shall relieve the assigning or transferring Party of its obligations under this Agreement:
 - (i) any such assignment or transfer is to an Affiliate of the Party;
 - (ii) to any entity that purchases or otherwise acquires, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all of the assets of the assigning or transferring Party; or
 - (iii) to any Athens Finance Holder as security for amounts payable under any Athens Financing.
- (c) Except as specifically provided for in Section 13.8(b), any assignment or transfer of this Agreement or any rights, duties or interests hereunder by any Party without the written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, shall be void and of no force or effect.

(d) Lender Security

NGrid agrees, if requested by Athens, to enter into an agreement (in form and substance reasonably acceptable to NGrid) with any Athens Finance Holder(s) (a "Collateral Assignment Consent"), pursuant to which NGrid will acknowledge the creation of security over Athens' rights under this Agreement and agree that, upon breach of this Agreement or any loan documents by Athens, such Athens Finance Holder shall:

- (i) have the right within a reasonable period of time as specified therein to cure any breach of this Agreement complained of, provided the Athens Finance Holder agrees to perform Athens' obligations under the Agreement during the cure period; and
- (ii) have the right, upon payment of all outstanding amounts due and payable to NGrid, to assume (or cause its designee to assume) all the rights and obligations of Athens under this Agreement.

The foregoing notwithstanding, NGrid shall not be obligated to enter into any Collateral Assignment Consent that amends or purports to amend any term or condition of this Agreement, or that imposes or seek to impose any obligations or responsibilities on NGrid, other than as specifically set forth in (i) and (ii), above

13.9 Waivers

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The failure of either Party to insist in any one or more instance upon strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement or to take advantage of any of its rights under this Agreement shall not be construed as a general waiver of any such provision or the relinquishment of any such right, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect, except with respect to the particular instance or instances.

(Signatures Follow on Next Page)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed by the Parties hereto.

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION, d/b/a NATIONAL GRID

By:

Name: William L Malee

Title: Director, Transmission Commercial Services

NEW ATHENS GENERATING COMPANY, LLC

By:

Name: GAIZIZY N. HUBBARD

Title: CEO

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System Impact Study for the Special Protection System for the Athens Power Plant" report dated October 16, 2006

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New Athens Generating Company ("Athens") is proposing to install a Special Protection System (SPS) and other system reinforcements to reduce the frequency of Athens curtailments by the NYISO due to system constraints during transmission system peak power flow conditions. Athens proposes to allow the NYISO to secure the jointly owned National Grid and Con-Edison Leeds-Pleasant Valley transmission lines (Lines 91 and 92) for loss of one or the other, with the subsequent rejection of its Athens' generating facility and subsequent NYISO's control area re-dispatch. As such, the SPS would require an exception to the NYSRC Reliability Rules. Athens further proposes an SPS that will allow the generation rejection to be completed within a two minute time frame following an initiating event. The planned in-service date of the SPS is 2007.

The SPS will be operational only during periods of heavy transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed interface. The operation of the SPS will allow post-contingency loading of either the Leeds to Pleasant Valley or Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV lines (Lines 91 and 92) up to their STE ratings for outage of the other line. Generation at Athens will be automatically tripped to reduce the flow on the remaining circuit to less than its LTE rating. Under worst case conditions, this will require trip of two combined cycle trains (one gas turbine and one steam turbine each) with a full load value of 720 MW. Trip of two combined cycle trains may not be required under other conditions.

Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution, Inc., Power Technologies International (Siemens PTI) has performed a System Impact Study (SIS) for the SPS for the Athens Power Plant. The purpose of the SIS is to demonstrate the improvement in the UPNY-Con Ed interface transfer capability that would result from the installation and operation of the SPS and other possible associated mitigative measures such as the installation of shunt capacitive compensation at one or more Con Edison substations.

NYISO provided a PSS™E power flow base case representing the summer peak operating conditions for 2006 and used for RNA analysis, and a separate power flow base case for stability simulations and corresponding set of stability setup files. NYISO also provided a full contingency list, a subsystem file and a monitor file for thermal analysis.

The base case models the Athens Power Plant dispatched with two combine cycle trains (one gas turbine and one steam turbine each) on at a total power output of 700 MW. This case is referred to as the Benchmark Case without SPS.

Siemens PTI developed a case with the SPS. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW in three combine cycle trains, to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. The additional Athens generation was dispatched against existing units in Con Ed.

For stability simulations, flow on the UPNY-Con Ed interface was further stressed to 11% higher than its transfer limit determined in the steady-state analysis in both the Benchmark Case without the SPS and the Case with the SPS.

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The study shows that the SPS is effective. With the SPS, the transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed Interface can be increased by 466 MW while abiding by applicable reliability rules and criteria. This allows the Athens plant to be dispatched at full capacity, i.e., 1080 MW, during peak load conditions.

The operation without and with the SPS was analyzed using thermal, voltage and stability analysis. The thermal analysis shows that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the UPNY-Con Ed thermal transfer limit is increased by 466 MW, from 3633 MW to 4099 MW. Both without and with the SPS, the transfer is limited by flow on the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line due to loss of the Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line. Without the SPS, the post-contingency flow is limited to the line's LTE rating of 1538 MW while the SPS increases the allowable post-contingency flow to the line's STE rating of 1724 MW. The operation of the SPS reduces the line flow to below the LTE rating within a period of two minutes.

The thermal transfer limit on the UPNY-SENY interface was also analyzed. The analysis shows that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the UPNY-SENY thermal transfer limit is increased by 466 MW, from 4502 MW to 4968 MW. Both without and with the SPS, the limiting element is the same as that for the UPNY-Con Ed interface.

The voltage analysis indicated that transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed interface would be limited by the pre-contingency voltage limit of 348 kV at four lower Hudson Valley 345 kV buses. Therefore a 240 MVAr capacitor bank was modeled at Millwood which is sufficient to maintain the steady-state pre-contingency voltage at these stations above 348 kV. Millwood was selected as the potential location for the capacitor back due to concerns that space may be limited in other possible stations.

The voltage contingency analysis indicated that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS in-service, there was no significant incremental impact on bulk system voltages compared to operation without the SPS. The voltages on several 115 kV buses decreased by less than 1% under certain contingencies.

Two contingencies may trigger the SPS, loss of the Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV (Line 91) and the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line (Line 92). The loss of Line 91 is slightly more severe. For the peak load level and system dispatch modeled in the power flow case supplied by the NYISO, this contingency would require the trip of two Athens combined cycle trains, for a total of 720 MW. The loading on Line 92 after this contingency and SPS operation would be 1520 MW, lower than the LTE rating of 1538 MW.

The P-V analysis showed that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the voltage-based UPNY-Con Ed transfer limit is increased by 245 MW. The voltage-based transfer limits for both without and with the SPS are higher than the respective thermal limits, as follows:

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UPNY-Con Ed Transfer	Case Without SPS	Case With SPS	Change
Pre-Contingency Low	3880 ^A	4125 ^A	245
Post-Contingency Low	4279 ^B	4383 ^B	104
95% Voltage Collapse (5% MW Margin)	4092 ^C	4190 ^C	98
Voltage-Based Transfer Limit	3880 ^A	4125 ^c	245
Thermal Transfer Limit	3633 ^D	4099 ^E	466

- A Pre-contingency voltage at Dunwoodie 345 kV
- B Post-contingency voltage at Pleasant Valley 345 kV for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42
- C 95% of voltage collapse criteria limit for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42
- D Limited by Leeds Pleasant Valley 345 kV (LTE: 1538 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV
- E Limited by Leeds Pleasant Valley 345 kV (STE: 1724 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV

Stability analysis was performed. All stability simulations exhibited a stable response with positive damping. Stability is thus not the limiting constraint on the transfer level on the UPNY-Con Ed interface either without or with the SPS.

The extreme contingency analysis demonstrates that the case with SPS shows incremental overload and voltage impacts on several 115 kV facilities. Additionally, for the case with the SPS, the loss of the Right-of-Way of Lines 91 & 92 would overload the Leeds to Hurley 345 kV line by 1%. There are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found on the bulk power system under the extreme contingencies tested.

The analysis demonstrates that misoperation of the SPS will not result in severe system problems or widespread effects on the system, that is, it does not cause a significant adverse impact outside of the local area.

Failure of the SPS to operate under maximum transfer conditions would result in Line 91 or 92 being loaded above its LTE rating following the outage of the other, but below its STE rating. For the peak condition analyzed, all other elements are within post-contingency limits. Since the STE rating is a 15 minute rating, there is ample time for manual operator action to either manually trip generation at Athens or perform other actions.

The study results demonstrate that the misoperation or failed operation of this SPS would not have a significant adverse impact outside of the local area, that is, there are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found outside the local area. Thus the SPS should be classified as a Type III SPS according to the NPCC Special Protection System Criteria (NPCC Document A-11).

The NYISO will calculate the actual Transmission Congestion Contracts (TCCs) awarded as a result of this proposed SPS. However, the results of this SIS indicate a potential TCC award estimate of 466 MW for the Athens' SPS.

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Introduction

New Athens Generating Company ("Athens") is proposing to install a Special Protection system (SPS) and other system reinforcements to reduce the frequency of Athens curtailments by the NYISO due to system constraints during transmission system peak power flow conditions. Athens proposes to allow the NYISO to secure the jointly owned National Grid and Con-Edison Leeds-Pleasant Valley transmission lines (Lines 91 and 92) for loss of one or the other, with the subsequent rejection of its Athens' generating facility and subsequent NYISO's control area re-dispatch. As such, the SPS would require an exception to the NYSRC Reliability Rules. Athens further proposes an SPS that will allow the generation rejection to be completed within a two minute time frame following an initiating event. The planned in-service date of the SPS is 2007.

Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution, Inc., Power Technologies International (Siemens PTI) has performed a System Impact Study (SIS) for the SPS for the Athens Power Plant. The purpose of the SIS is to demonstrate the improvement in the UPNY-Con Ed interface transfer capability that would result from the installation and operation of the SPS and other possible associated mitigative measures such as the installation of shunt capacitive compensation at one or more Con Edison substations. The objectives of the SIS are to:

- 1. Analyze the thermal transfer limit on the UPNY-Con Ed Interface and the UPNY-SENY Interface, without and with the SPS.
- 2. Analyze voltage constraints on the transfer limit on the UPNY-Con Ed Interface, without and with the SPS.
- 3. Conduct P-V analysis on the UPNY-Con Ed interface, without and with the SPS.
- 4. Evaluate the effectiveness of the SPS under extreme contingencies.
- 5. Analyze the type and the effect of misoperation or failed operation of the SPS.

The SIS was performed using Siemens PTI's proprietary, commercial software PSS™E and PSS™MUST, in accordance with the requirements of the NYISO Open Access Transmission Tariff Sections 19.1 through 19.3 and Attachment D as well as applicable NPCC, NYSRC, NYISO and Transmission Owner's (TO) reliability criteria, rules and design standards.

The Scope of the SIS was approved by the NYISO Operating Committee on October 12, 2006 and is included in Appendix A of this report.



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Project Discription and Study Data

2.1 Project Description

The Athens Power Plant ("Athens") is comprised of three combined cycle trains (GT/CT sets) with a total capacity of 1080 MW. A one-line of the power system in the area of the Athens plant is shown in Figure 1-1. The proposed SPS will be operational only during periods of heavy transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed interface. The operation of the SPS will allow postcontingency loading of either the Leeds to Pleasant Valley or Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV lines (Lines 91 and 92) up to their STE ratings for outage of the other line. Generation at

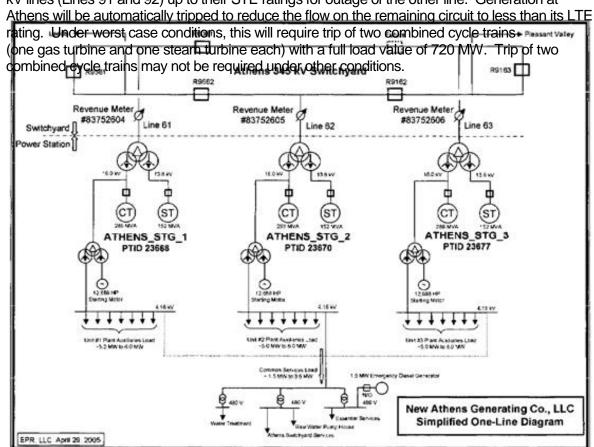


Figure 2-1: One-Line Diagram of Athens Plant

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Project Discription and Study Data

2.2 Load Flow Data

NYISO provided a PSS™E power flow base case representing the summer peak operating conditions for 2006 and used for RNA analysis. NYISO also provided a full contingency list and a subsystem file and monitor file for thermal analysis.

The base case models Athens dispatched with two GT/CT sets on at a total power output of 700 MW. This case is referred to as the Benchmark Case without SPS.

Siemens PTI developed a case with the SPS. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW, to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. The additional Athens generation was dispatched against existing units in Con Ed. In setting up this case, tap settings of phase angle regulators and autotransformers were adjusted, within their capabilities, to regulate power flow and voltage. Similarly, switched shunt capacitors and reactors were allowed to regulate voltage. Additionally, the Leeds SVC, Frasier SVC and Marcy FACTS device were held near zero output.

2.3 Dynamic Simulation Data

NYISO provided a separate power flow base case for stability simulations and a set of stability setup files. In this power flow case, Athens was dispatched at 800 MW on three CT/GT sets. For consistency with the case used in steady-state analysis, Siemens PTI reduced the dispatch of the Athens plant from 800 MW to 700 MW on two CT/GT sets. The MW reduction was balanced by units in Ontario. This case is referred to as the Benchmark Case without SPS.

Siemens PTI developed a stability power flow case with the SPS using the same approach as that in Section 2.1. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW, to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. The additional Athens generation was dispatched against existing units in Con Ed.

In both cases, flow on the UPNY-Con Ed interface was stressed to 11% higher than its transfer limit determined in the steady-state analysis. Details of the stressed cases are discussed in detail in Section 5.

The dynamic model for stability simulation was obtained from the NYISO stability database and setup files.

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Criteria, Methodology, Assumptions

3.1 Study Scope

The scope of the SRIS, which is included in Appendix A, was approved by the NYISO Operating Committee on October 12, 2006.

3.2 Study Area

The study area focused on the Bulk Power System in South-Eastern New York between Albany and New York City, and voltages underlying systems at 115 kV and above in the lower Hudson Valley (Zones G, H & I).

In the PSS™E power flow base case provided by NYISO, facilities rated at 115 kV and above in PSS™E designated areas 6 through 11 are monitored in the study. These areas are:

- · Capital District
- Hudson
- Millwood
- Dunwoodie
- Con Ed
- · Long Island

3.3 Methodology

NYISO provided a PSS™E power flow base case representing the summer peak operating conditions for 2006 and used for RNA analysis. The base case models Athens dispatched with two GT/CT sets on at a total power output of 700 MW. This case is referred to as the Benchmark Case without SPS. Siemens PTI developed a case with the SPS. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW in three combine cycle trains, to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. Steady state and stability analyses were performed to develop a comparative assessment of the system state without and with the SPS. The following analyses were conducted and are further described in later sections of the report:

 Power flow and contingency analyses to assess and compare branch loadings and bus voltages in the study area for the cases without and with the SPS.

Stability analysis to determine system performance within the study area for the cases without and with the SPS.

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Criteria, Methodology, Assumptions

- Transfer limit analysis to determine thermal and voltage transfer limits of the UPNY-Con Ed and UPNY-SENY interfaces for the cases without and with the SPS.
- Extreme contingency assessment to evaluate the system performance within the study area under representative extreme contingencies for the cases without and with the SPS.
- Evaluation of the type and the effect of misoperation or failed operation of the SPS.

3.4 Study Cases

The analysis summarized in this report used the power flow cases described below. When setting up the cases, tap settings of phase angle regulators and autotransformers were adjusted, within their capabilities, to regulate power flow and voltage. Similarly, switched shunt capacitors and reactors were switched were allowed to regulate voltage. Additionally, the Leeds SVC, Frasier SVC and Marcy FACTS device were held near zero output.

The effectiveness of the SPS has been evaluated for summer peak load for two base system conditions described below.

Case 1 - Benchmark Case without the SPS. In this case, Athens was dispatched with two GT/CT sets on at a total power output of 700 MW.

Case 2 - Case 1 with the SPS modeled. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW in three combine cycle trains to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. Additionally, a 240 MVAr capacitor bank was added to maintain the voltages at the Pleasant Valley, Millwood, Sprain Brook and Dunwoodie stations above below 348 kV (a recently updated pre-contingency low voltage limit for these stations).

It is noted that Dunwoodie has the lowest voltage in the base case with the SPS. The capacitor bank could be installed at Dunwoodie or Sprain Brook but there are concerns that space may be limited in those two stations. Therefore, Millwood was chosen to be the installation location and the capacitor bank size was installed to maintain the steady-state pre-contingency voltage at the four stations above 348 kV while keeping the Athens generator scheduled voltage 1.04 pu as modeled in the Benchmark case without the SPS.

3.5 Assumptions

Generation redispatch for transfers are performed according to the standard proportions used in NYISO operating studies. Athens will be dispatched at full output for the case with the SPS.

Phase angle regulators (PARs) are modeled according to the standard NYISO practice for operating studies as regulating pre-contingency and free-flowing, post-contingency.

The Leeds SVC, Frasier SVC and Marcy FACTS device are set to zero pre-contingency and allowed to operate to full range post-contingency.

Power Flow Analysis

4.1 Analysis of the System Condition Following SPS Operation

The operation of the SPS will allow post-contingency loading of either the Leeds to Pleasant Valley or Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV lines (Lines 91 and 92) up to their STE ratings for outage of the other line. The system condition following SPS operation can be illustrated by comparing load flow results representing two conditions:

- 1. Operation without the SPS (Benchmark Case without SPS). This is the base case supplied by the NYISO and has Athens dispatched at 700 MW
- 2. Operation with the SPS (Case with SPS). This case has Athens dispatched at 1080 MW, and other changes as described below.

In the case with the SPS, the redispatch performed to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path to determine the thermal transfer limit first increased Athens to full power output. The subsequent generation shifts were performed from Ontario to Con Ed to increase the transfer level on the interface concerned. The generation shifts are show in Table 4-1. In addition, the SPS permits the allowable post contingency loading on the 91/92 lines to go to STE. All other lines use their standard (LTE) post-contingency ratings.

A 240 MVAr capacitor bank was added at the Millwood 345 kV bus in the case with the SPS. Without this capacitor bank, the voltages at the Pleasant Valley, Millwood, Sprain Brook and Dunwoodie stations are below 348 kV (a recently updated pre-contingency low voltage limit for these stations). Dunwoodie has the lowest voltage. The capacitor bank could be installed at Dunwoodie or Sprain Brook but there are concerns that space may be limited in those two stations. Therefore, Millwood was chosen to be the installation location and the capacitor bank size was installed to maintain the steady-state pre-contingency voltage at the four stations above 348 kV while keeping the Athens generator scheduled voltage 1.04 pu as modeled in the Benchmark case without the SPS.

Table 4-2 shows power transfer levels on the NYISO interfaces of UPNY-Con Ed, UPNY-SENY, Central East and Total East, for the Benchmark Case without SPS and the Case with SPS.



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Table 4-1: Generation Shifts for Thermal Transfer Limits
Increase Athens Generation from 700 MW to 1080 MW

		Case w/ SPS	Case w/o SPS	
Bus		(Step 1)		Change
Number	Bus Name	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)
78706	[ATHENSC116.0]	250	239.8	10.2
78707	[ATHENSS113.8]	110	110.2	-0.2
78708	[ATHENSC216.0]	250	243.1	6.9
78709	[ATHENSS213.8]	110	106.9	3.1
78710	[ATHENSC316.0]	250	0	250
78711	[ATHENSS313.8]	110	0	110
74705	[AST 4 20.0]	250	350	-100
74706	[AST 5 20.0]	243	333	-90
74707	[RAV 1 20.0]	240	330	-90
74907	[NRTPTG2 22.0]	268	368	-100

Additional Generation Shifts from Ontario to Downstate NY

		Case w/ SPS	Case w/ SPS	
Bus		(Step 2)	(Step 1)	Change
Number	Bus Name	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)
74705	[AST 4 20.0]	210	250	-40
74706	[AST 5 20.0]	223	243	-20
74707	[RAV 1 20.0]	220	240	-20
74907	[NRTPTG2 22.0]	248	268	-20
81425	[LENNOXG420.0]	145	125	20
81767	[NANTICG422.0]	495	475	20
81769	[NANTICG222.0]	495	475	20
81770	[NANTICG122.0]	252	232	20
81771	[NANTICG822.0]	495	475	20

Step 1: Perform generation shifts by dispatching Athens at full capacity.

Step 2: With Athens at full capacity, perform additional generation shifts.

Table 4-2: Power Transfers Across NYISO Interfaces in the Base Cases (MW)

Interface	Case Without SPS	Case With SPS
UPNY-Con Ed	3630	4096
UPNY-SENY	4507	4974
Central East	2398	2423
Total East	4297	4410

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Power Flow Analysis

The steady state condition following the operation of the SPS was calculated for two contingencies that may trigger it, i.e.:

- 1. Loss of Line 91
- 2. Loss of Line 92

Loss of Line 95 would not cause the loadings on Lines 91 & 92 (1080 MW and 1244 MW respectively) to exceed the LTE rating of 1538 MW and therefore would not trigger the SPS.

Loss of Line 92 would increase the flow on Line 91 to 1693 MW which is higher than the LTE rating of 1538 MW but lower than the STE rating of 1724 MW. However, the worst contingency is loss of Line 91, which would increase the flow on Line 92 to its STE rating 1724 MW. This contingency requires rejecting two Athens generation trains, for a total of 720 MW. The loading of Line 92 after this contingency and rejection of 720 MW is 1520 MW, which is lower than the LTE rating of 1538 MW. Tripping only one set and 300 MW from the second set (total 660 MW), the loading of Line 92 is 1538.2 MW, or basically at the LTE rating. This calculation is based on the load flow case where the UPNY-Con Ed interface value is initially at the thermal limit, about 4099 MW as determined in the thermal analysis described in Section 5. The calculation uses an inertial redispatch to replace the lost Athens generation and LTC transformer taps, phase shifters, and switched shunts are held at their pre-contingency settings, per NYISO practice. All other line flows and bus voltages are within their respective post-contingency limits.

Figures 4-1 to 4-5 show flows on Lines 91, 92 & 95, the Athens generation dispatches and some of the surrounding system, without and with the SPS under normal and contingency conditions:

- Figure 4-1: Benchmark Case without SPS
- Figure 4-2: Benchmark Case Following Line 91 Contingency ®

Figure 4-3: Case with SPS, All Equipment In-Service

Figure 4-4: Case with SPS Following Line 91 Contingency but before SPS Operation ®

Figure 4-5: Case with SPS Following Line 91 Contingency and SPS Operation

In similar manner, rejection of two Athens generation trains for a total of 720 MW would also bring the flow on Line 91 back below its LTE ratings following the loss of Line 92.

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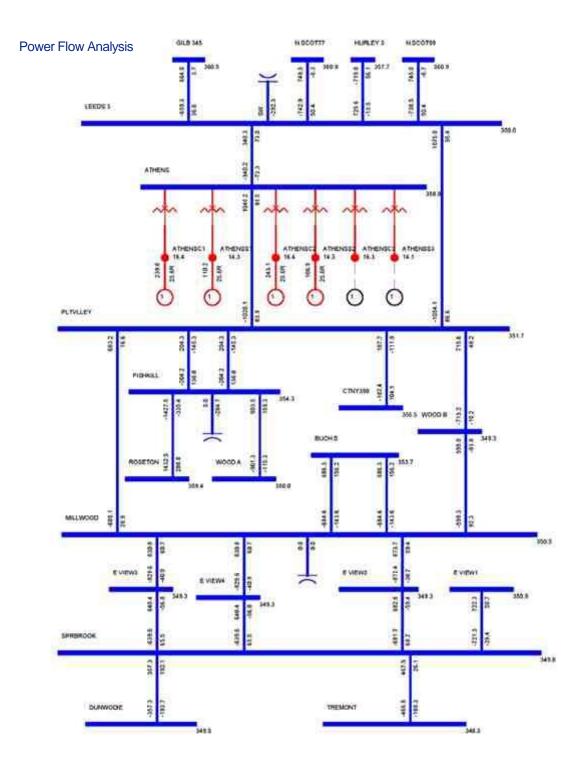


Figure 4-1: Benchmark Case without SPS

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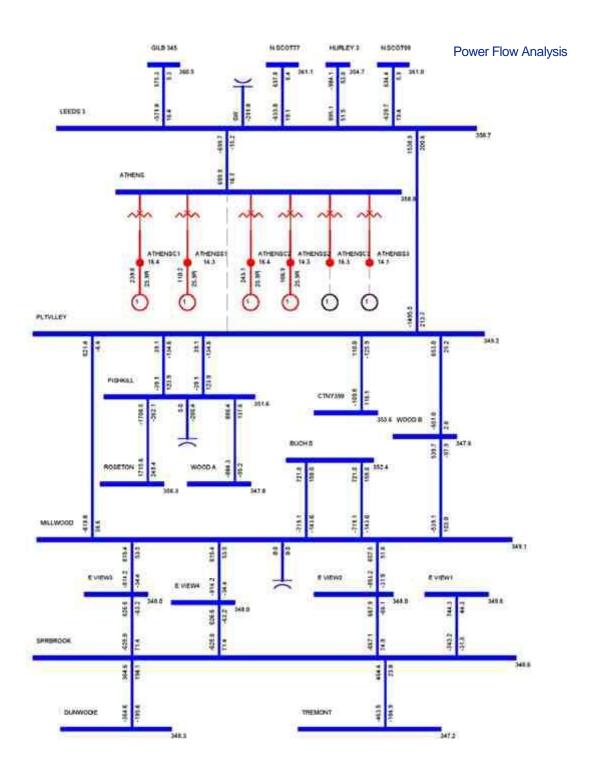


Figure 4-2: Benchmark Case Following Line 91 Contingency

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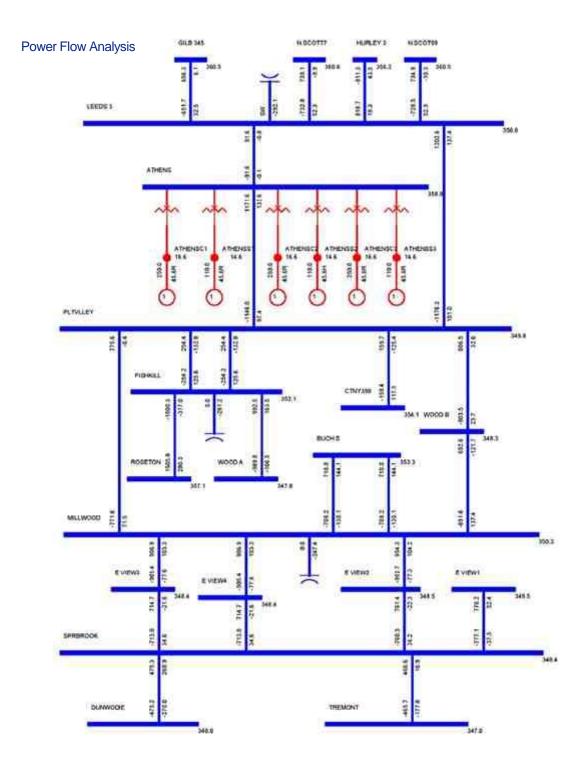


Figure 4-3: Case with SPS, All Equipment In-Service

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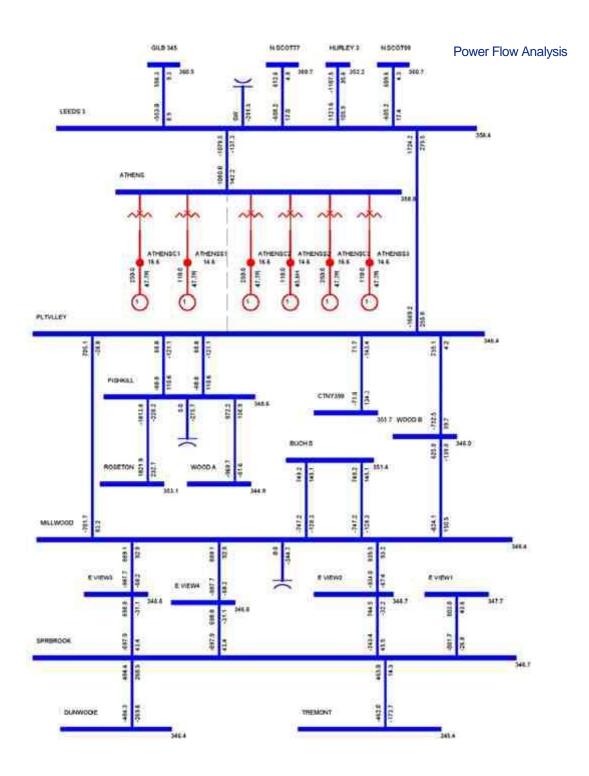


Figure 4-4: Case with SPS Following Line 91 Contingency but before SPS Operation

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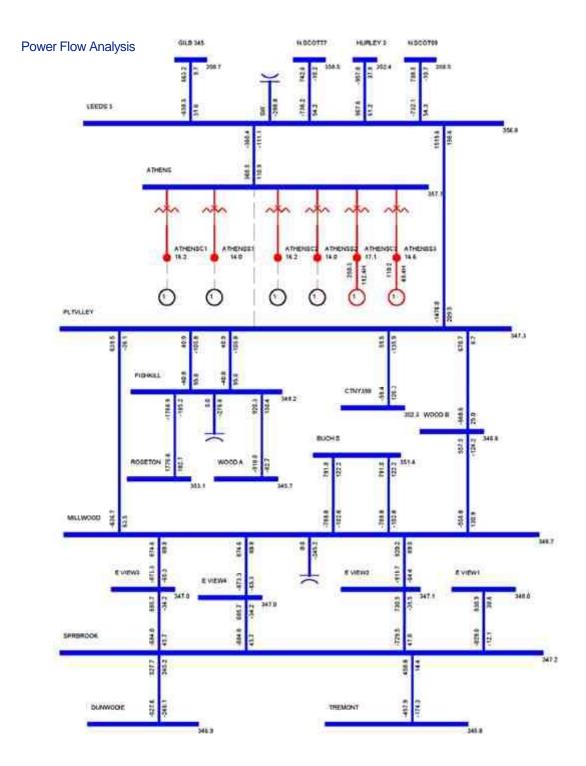


Figure 4-5: Case with SPS Following Line 91 Contingency and SPS Operation

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Power Flow Analysis

4.2 Analysis of Voltage Constraints

Voltage contingency analysis was performed for the Benchmark Case without the SPS and the Case with the SPS with the UPNY-Con Ed interface at the normal thermal transfer limit, i.e., 3633 MW and 4099 MW respectively, as determined in the thermal analysis described in Section 5. The Case with the SPS has a 240 MVAR capacitor bank added at Millwood as described above.

The full contingency set provided by the NYISO were simulated and bus voltages were monitored for violations of the limits in Exhibit A-3 of the NYISO Emergency Operation Manual and for bus voltages on the 115 kV system in the Lower Hudson area less than 95% of nominal. Taps and phase shifter positions were fixed for the post-contingency calculation.

The Leeds and Fraser SVCs and Marcy FACTS devices are held at or near zero output in the pre-contingency power flows, but are allowed to regulate voltage, within their capabilities, in the post-contingency power flows.

The detailed voltage analysis results are included in Appendix B. It is noted that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the voltages of several 115 kV buses decrease by less than 1%. The case with the SPS does not have significant incremental impact on the voltage at any other bus.

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Impact on Transfer Limits

Transfer limit analysis was performed to determine and compare thermal, voltage and stability limits of the UPNY-Con Ed and UPNY-SENY interfaces for the cases without and with the SPS. Analysis of the UPNY-SENY interface is limited to thermal conditions only.

This analysis was performed for the summer peak condition per the SIS scope.

5.1 Thermal Analysis

5.1.1 Methodology

Thermal analysis was performed using the PSS™E subsystem, contingency and monitor files provided by the NYISO, to determine the incremental impact of the SPS on the normal transfer limit of the UPNY-Con Ed and UPNY-SENY interfaces. The full contingency set, as supplied by the NYISO, was used in the analysis. The normal transfer limit of the UPNY - Con Ed and UPNY-SENY interfaces was determined for the following two cases:

- 1. Case without SPS (Benchmark) with Athens dispatched at 700 MW
- 2. Case with SPS with Athens dispatched at 1080 MW

The redispatch performed to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path to determine the thermal transfer limit first increased Athens to full power output with subsequent generation shifts from Ontario to Con Ed to increase the transfer level on the interface concerned as shown in Table 4-1. The SPS permits the allowable post contingency loading on the 91/92 lines to go to STE. All other lines use their standard (LTE) post-contingency ratings.

5.1.2 Criteria

In accordance with NPCC criteria and NYSRC Reliability rules, several types of contingencies were simulated for this analysis:

- Opening of lines connected between buses with base voltage greater than 100 kV
- 2. Multiple element
- 3. Generator
- 4. Common structure
- 5. HVDC

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Phase angle regulators maintain scheduled power flow in pre-contingency conditions but are fixed at pre-contingency angle in post-contingency conditions.

The normal transfer limit is the transfer level at which:

- a branch has reached its normal rating for pre-contingency conditions, or
- a branch has reached its LTE rating following a contingency, except that the SPS will allow post-contingency loading of either the Leeds to Pleasant Valley or Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV lines (Lines 91 and 92) up to their STE ratings for outage of the other line.

5.1.3 Model Development

Thermal transfer limits were calculated for summer peak load conditions without and with the SPS. The cases without the SPS (Case 1) and with the SPS (Case 2) are described in Section 3.4.

5.1.4 Results

Normal thermal transfer limits are summarized in Table 5-1. The detailed results are included in Appendix C.

It is noted from the table that the operation of the SPS increases UPNY-Con Ed and UPNYSENY thermal transfer limits by 466 MW respectively.

Table 5-1: Thermal Normal Transfer Limits (MW)

Interface	Case Without SPS	Case With SPS	Change
UPNY-Con Ed	3633 ^A	4099 ^B	466
UPNY-SENY	4502 ^A	4968 ^B	466

A Limited by Leeds - Pleasant Valley 345 kV (LTE: 1538 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV B Limited by Leeds - Pleasant Valley 345 kV (STE: 1724 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV

5.2 Voltage Analysis

5.2.1 Methodology

Voltage transfer limit analysis (or P-V analysis) was performed for the UPNY-Con Ed interface. Voltage-constrained limits were evaluated in accordance with the NYISO Transmission Planning Guideline #2-0 and with consideration of the voltage criteria in Exhibit A-3 of the NYISO Emergency Operation Manual.

P-V curves were produced to examine the UPNY-Con Ed power transfers versus voltage at the New Scotland, Leeds, Pleasant Valley, Millwood, Dunwoodie and Sprainbrook 345kV stations for the two cases:

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1. Case without SPS (Benchmark) with Athens dispatched at 700 MW

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2. Case with SPS with Athens dispatched at 1080 MW and a 240 MVAr capacitor bank installed at Millwood

A series of power flow cases were created with increasing transfer levels on Leeds - Pleasant Valley using generation shifts similar to those used for the thermal analysis. Contingencies were simulated on each case to identify violations of the voltage criteria.

5.2.2 Criteria

Per the SIS scope, the following contingencies were simulated on each case to identify violations of the voltage criteria:

- 4 Leeds Athens #95
- Athens Pleasant Valley #91
- Leeds Pleasant Valley #92 @

Leeds - Hurley #301

- New Scotland Leeds #93 (or #94)
- (Tower) Coopers Corners Rock Tavern 34 and 42

The voltage criteria use the limits in Exhibit A-3 of the NYISO Emergency Operation Manual with the following 345 kV stations using an updated limit of 348 kV as a pre-contingency low voltage limit:

Pleasant Valley

Millwood

- Sprain Brook
- Dunwoodie

Tap settings of phase angle regulators and autotransformers are adjusted (within their capabilities) to regulate power flow and voltage in the pre-contingency power flows but are fixed at their corresponding pre-contingency settings in the post-contingency power flows. Similarly, switched shunt capacitors and reactors are switched according to their defined setup in the pre-contingency power flows but are held at their corresponding pre-contingency position in the post-contingency power flows. The reactive power of generators is regulated, within the reactive capabilities of the units, to hold scheduled voltage in both the pre-contingency and post-contingency power flows.

In accordance with the NYISO operating practice, the Leeds and Fraser SVCs and Marcy FACTS devices are held at or near zero output in the pre-contingency power flows, but are allowed to regulate voltage, within their capabilities, in the post-contingency power flows. Inertial pickup is assumed for contingencies involving a loss of generation or HVDC.

The voltage-constrained transfer limits of the UPNY-Con Ed interface are determined in accordance with the NYISO Transmission Planning Guideline #2-0. As the transfer across an interface is increased, the voltage-constrained transfer limit is determined as the lesser of

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(a) the pre-contingency power flow at which the post contingency voltage falls below the post-

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contingency limit, or (b) 95% of the pre-contingency power flow at the "nose" of the postcontingency voltage vs. pre-contingency flow curve.

5.2.3 Model Development

Voltage transfer limits were calculated for summer peak load conditions without and with the SPS. The cases without the Project (Case 1) and with the Project (Case 2) are described in Section 3.4.

5.2.4 Results

Voltage transfer limits are summarized in Table 5-2. The P-V curves for the Benchmark Case and the Case with the SPS are plotted in Figures 5-1 and 5-2. There are three potential limiting conditions:

- Pre-contingency (base case) voltage limits
- 2. Post-contingency voltage limits
- 3. Voltage collapse (limit is 95% of the interface flow at which collapse occurs.)

For both the cases without the SPS and with the SPS, the pre-contingency voltage transfer limit on the UPNY-Con Ed interface is the lowest, 3880 MW and 4125 MW respectively in both cases.

Comparing with the thermal analysis results, it is noted that the voltage-based transfer limits are higher than the corresponding thermal transfer limits on the UPNY-Con Ed interface.

Table 5-2: Approximate Voltage Transfer Limit on UPNY-Con Ed (MW)

UPNY-Con Ed Transfer	Case Without SPS	Case With SPS	Change
Pre-Contingency Low	3880 ^A	4125 ^A	245
Post-Contingency Low	4279 ^B	4383 ^B	104
95% Voltage Collapse (5% MW Margin)	4092 ^C	4190 ^C	98
Voltage-Based Transfer Limit	3880 ^A	4125 ^c	245
Thermal Transfer Limit	3633 ^D	4099 ^E	466

A Pre-contingency voltage at Dunwoodie 345 kV

B Post-contingency voltage at Pleasant Valley 345 kV for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42

C 95% of voltage collapse criteria limit for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42

D Limited by Leeds - Pleasant Valley 345 kV (LTE: 1538 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV

E Limited by Leeds - Pleasant Valley 345 kV (STE: 1724 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV

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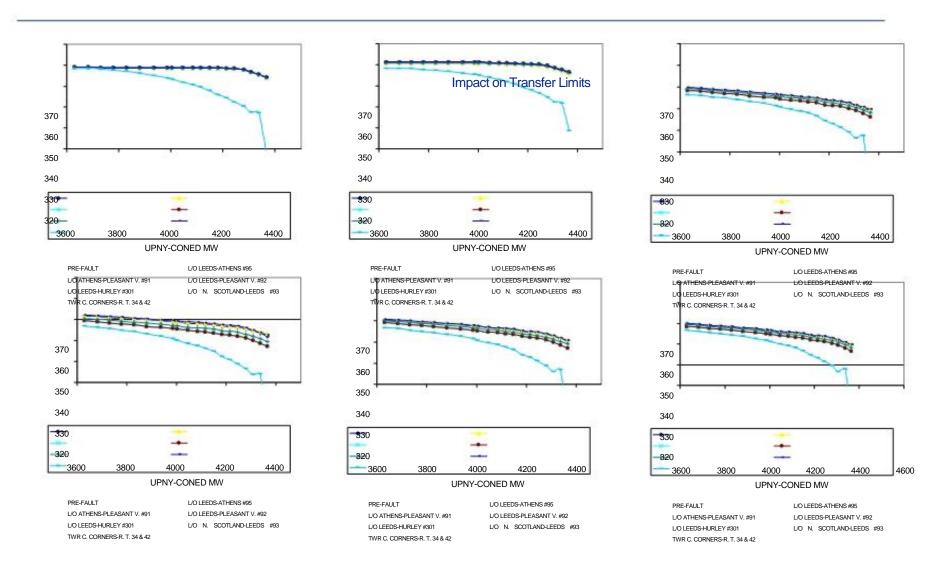


Figure 5-1: P-V Curves for the Case without SPS



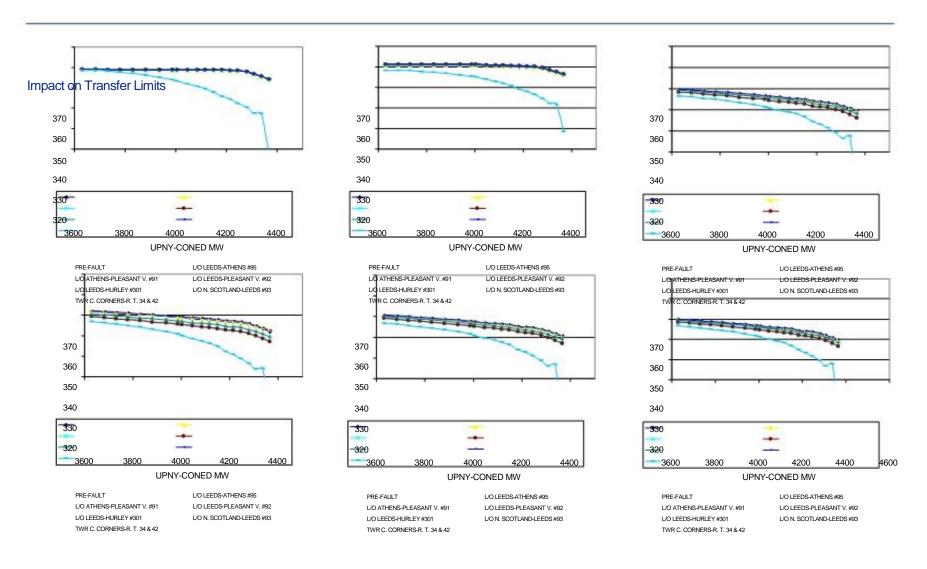


Figure 5-2: P-V Curves for the Case with SPS

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PLEASANT V. 345 KV	MILLWOOD 345 KV	SPRAINBROOK 345 KV
VOLTAGE	VOLTAGE	VOLTAGE

5.3 Stability Analysis

5.3.1 Methodology

Stability transfer limits were tested for the UPNY-Con Ed interface. Stability analysis was performed in accordance with the NYISO Transmission Planning Guideline #3-0 to confirm that the UPNY-Con Ed power transfer level is not restricted by a stability constraint due to operation of the SPS.

5.3.2 Criteria

Per the SIS scope, stability simulations were performed for the buses/substations associated with the SPS as well as a couple of other stability tests requested. The contingencies include three-phase faults on all 345 kV buses in the Leeds, Athens and Pleasant Valley substations and also stuck breaker faults on each bus section. The contingencies simulated are shown in Table 5-3.

Table 5-3: Stability Contingency List

Location Leeds	Type 3 Phase 3 Phase 3 Phase 3 Phase	Line 95 92 301 93	Stuck Breaker	Additional Equipment Lost
	1 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase	95 95 92 92	R95 R395 R92 R9293	Capacitor Bank GL-3 to Gilboa Capacitor Bank 93 to New Scotland
Athens	3 Phase 3 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase	95 91 95 95 91 91	R9561 R9562 R9163 R9162	Athens 2 Athens 2
Pleasant Valley	3 Phase 3 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase 1 Phase	91 92 91 91 92 92	RN4 RNS4 RN5 RNS5	F31/W81 to Millwood F30/W80 to Millwood
Ravenswood	3 Phase			Loss of Ravenswood 3
Marcy South	LLG			Marcy-Coopers & Edic-Fraser

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5.3.3 Model Development

The contingencies shown in Table 5-3 were simulated for the cases without and with the SPS.

- 1. Case without SPS (Benchmark) with Athens dispatched at 700 MW
- 2. Case with SPS with Athens dispatched at 1080 MW and a 240 MVAr capacitor bank installed at Millwood

In preparing the above cases, Siemens PTI used a power flow base case provided by the NYISO, which differed somewhat from the case used in the steady state analysis. In the power flow case provided for stability analysis, Athens was dispatched at 800 MW on three combined cycle trains. For consistency with the case used in steady-state analysis, Siemens PTI reduced Athens dispatch from 800 MW to 700 MW on two combined cycle trains. The MW reduction was balanced by units in Ontario. This case is referred to as the Benchmark Case without SPS.

Then, Siemens PTI developed a stability power flow case with the SPS. In this case, Athens was increased to its full capacity i.e., 1080 MW, to increase flow on the Athens-Pleasant Valley and Leeds-Pleasant Valley (Lines 91 and 92) path. The additional Athens generation was dispatched against existing units in Con Ed. For consistency with the case used in steady-state analysis, a 240 MVAR capacitor was added at Millwood.

Consistent with NYISO practice, the UPNY - Con Ed interface flow was further stressed by increasing it to 11 % higher than that determined in the steady state analysis (Table 5-1), that is, 4032 (3633*1.11) MW for the Benchmark case without SPS and 4550 MW (4099*1.11) for the case with SPS. The interface loadings were accomplished using the same generation shifts as used the steady-state analysis.

However, the load flow case with the SPS would not converge at the 4550 MW transfer level due to voltage collapse. The highest achievable UPNY-Con Ed interface flow is 4330 MW before the case fails to converge. This value is higher than the voltage-based transfer limit 4125 MW as determined in the steady-state analysis (Table 5-2).

To overcome this collapse problem, an "artificial" 350 Mvar capacitor was added at Dunwoodie. With this capacitor, the case converges and the transfer level of 4550 MW on the UPNY-Con Ed interface is reached. This is necessary to allow for the stability analysis to be performed at the prescribed 11% higher transfer. This approach is consistent with NYISO practice (NYISO Transmission Planning Guideline #3-0).

5.3.4 Results

Stability simulations were performed on the contingencies in Table 5-3 for the three transfer levels:

 Case A: 4032 MW (111% of the transfer limit in the Benchmark case without the SPS) New York Independent System Operator, Inc. - NYISO Agreements - Service Agreements - Agreement no. 923 NiMo and New Athens Generating Company - Agreement No. 923 between NiMo/Athens - Exhibit A

 Case B0: 4330 MW (Highest achievable voltage-constrained transfer in the case with the SPS)

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© Case B: 4550 MW (111% of the transfer limit in the case with the SPS and an "artificial" reactive compensation of 350 Mvar added at Dunwoodie)

Simulations were performed to address the two periods of interest. First, a simulation was performed at the higher loading resulting from the presence of the SPS. Second, after it was verified that the simulation of the contingency was stable, the post-contingency steady state condition (using NYISO post-contingency calculation methodology) was used as the initial condition to simulate the operation of the SPS to show the effect of the loss of generation on the system.

All the simulated contingencies exhibited a stable response with positive damping. Stability is thus not the limiting constraint either without or with the SPS.

Figures 5-3 to 5-6 show comparative machine rotor angels at Athens, voltages at Athens and Pleasant Valley, and branch flow on Line 92 following a 3-phase fault at Athens with normal clearing and tripping of Line 91, for the three cases (4032 MW, 4330 MW and 4550 MW) during the first period of time, i.e., before the operation of the SPS.

Figures 5-7 to 5-10 show the same quantities compared for the 4330 MW and 4550 MW cases during the second period of time, i.e., after the operation of the SPS.

All other stability plots of representative machine quantities and other system quantities are included in Appendix D.

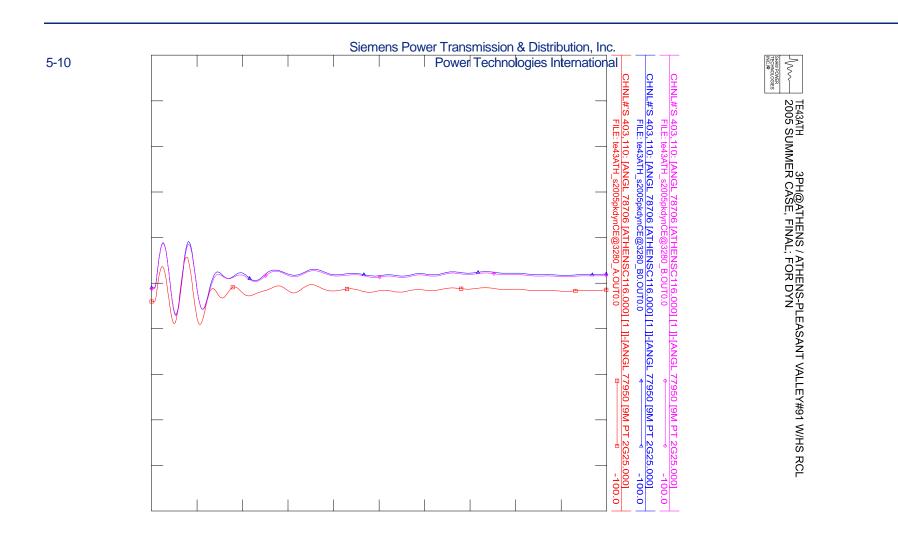
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Figure 5-3: CT Machine Angle at Athens Following Fault, Pre-SPS Operation



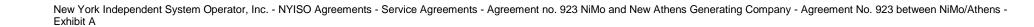
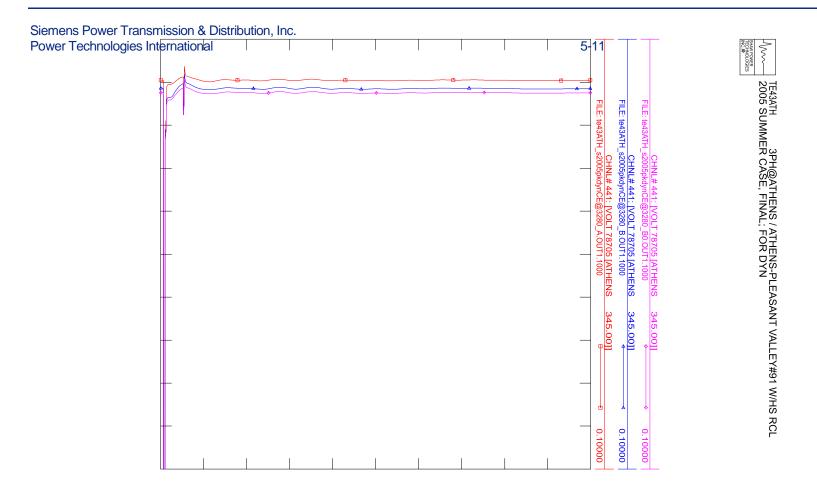






Figure 5-4: Voltage at Athens Following Fault, Pre-SPS Operation





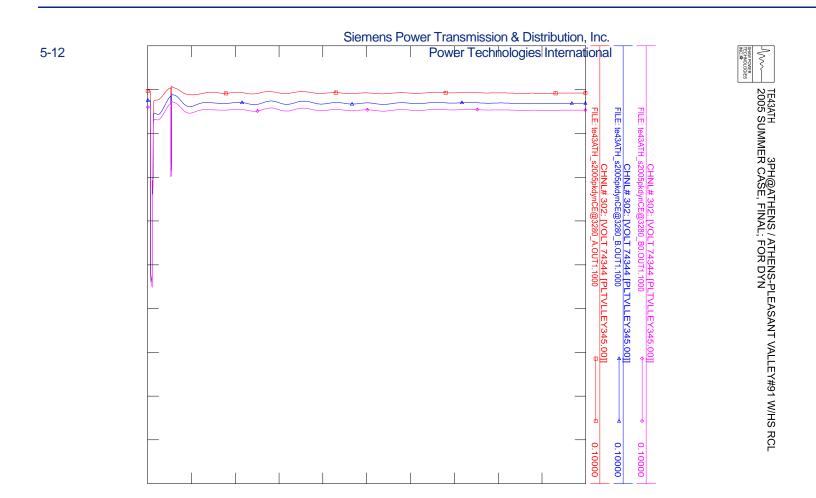
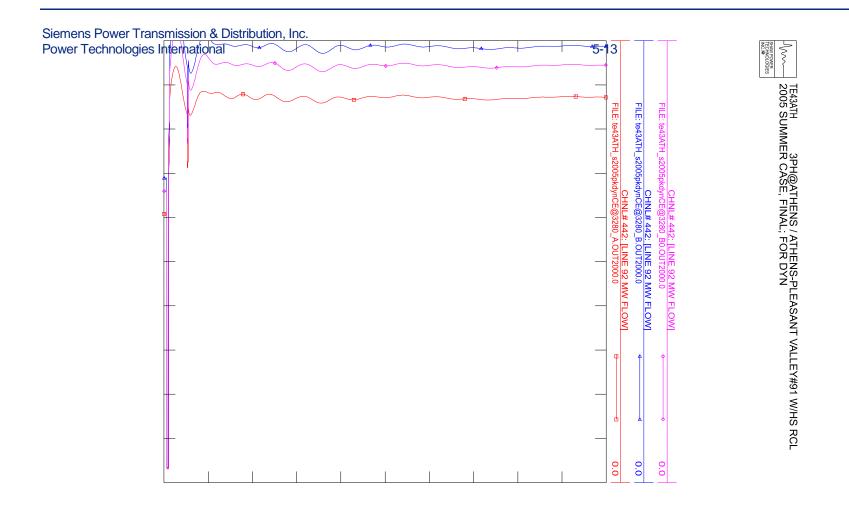






Figure 5-6: Branch Flow on Line 92 Following Fault, Pre-SPS Operation





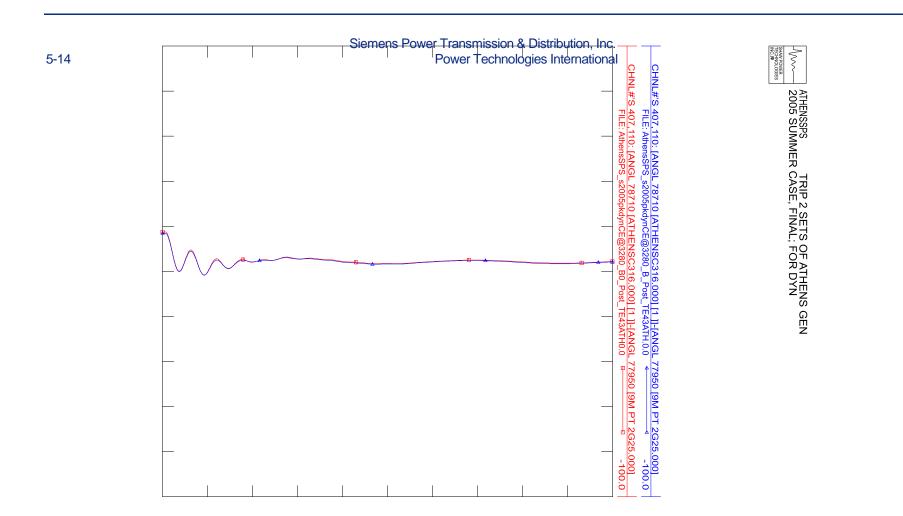
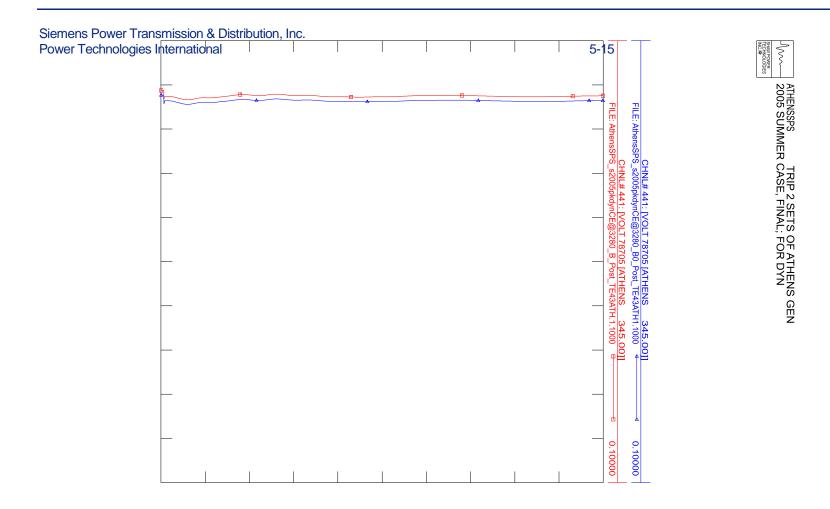






Figure 5-8: Voltage at Athens Following SPS Operation





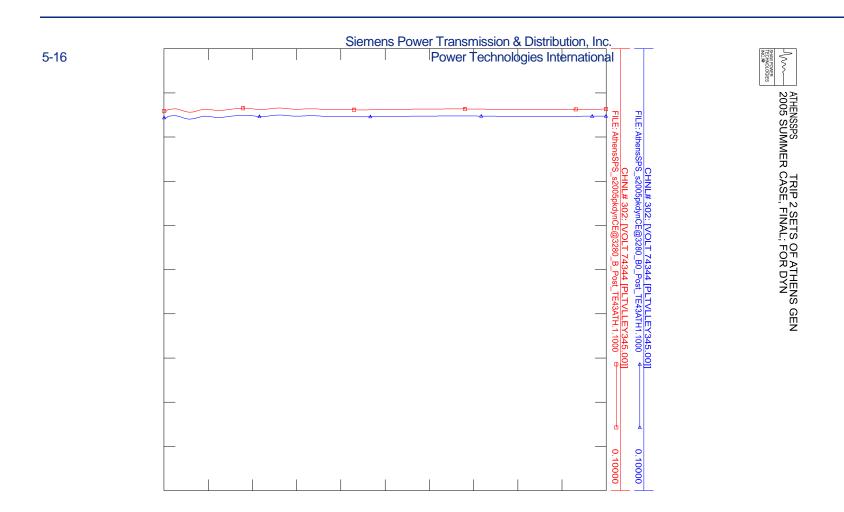
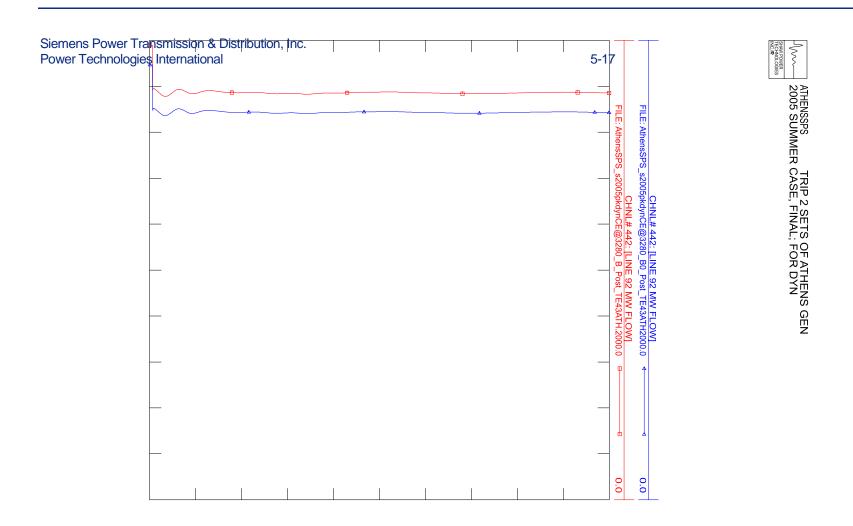




Figure 5-10: Branch Flow on Line 92 Following SPS Operation



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Extreme Contingency Analysis

Certain extreme contingencies were analyzed to assess the effect of the increased flow on the UPNY-Con Ed interface on the system steady state performance. The assessment was performed on the cases at the UPNY- Con Ed interface limit without and with the SPS, as determined in the steady state analysis (Table 5-1), that is, 3633 MW and 4099 MW respectively. Loading on a branch was calculated as a percent of its short term emergency (STE) rating for post contingency system conditions. The following extreme contingencies were analyzed:

Contingency Name	Contingency Description
EC18	Loss of New Scotland Substation
EC19	Loss of Leeds Substation
EC16	Loss of Fraser Substation
EC91&92	Loss of 91/92 ROW
EC92&95	Loss of 92/95 ROW
EC27	Loss of Astoria Substation

For EC91&92 and EC92&95 which may or may not trigger the SPS depending on the event sequence, pre-SPS and post-SPS branch flows and bus voltages were calculated.

Table 6-1 and Table 6-2 show branch loading and voltage differences under extreme contingencies for the cases without and with the SPS. It is noted that the case with SPS shows incremental overload and voltage impacts on several 115 kV facilities. Additionally, for the case with the SPS, the loss of the Right-of-Way of Lines 91 & 92 would overload the Leeds to Hurley 345 kV line by 1%. There are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found on the bulk power system under the extreme contingencies tested.



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Extreme Contingency Analysis

Table 6-1: Branch Loading Differences under Extreme Contingencies

				Case With SPS				Case Without SPS			
Monitored Branch				Pre-SPS Operation Post-SPS Operation							
** From bus	* To bus	**	STE					Extreme			Delta
	CKT		Rating	MW flow	Loading%	MW flow	Loading%	Contingency	MW flow	Loading%	Flow (%)
78757 BOC 2T	115 74040 N.CAT. 1	115 2	145	189	130.3	N/A	N/A	EC19	185.6	128	2.3
75435 CHURC115	115 78739 BL STR E	115	120	150.4	125.4	N/A	N/A	EC19	146.6	122.2	3.2
78731 JMC1+7TP	115 78740 BLUECIRC	115	145	174.5	120.4	N/A	N/A	EC19	171.1	118	2.4
78755 HUDSON	115 78799 VALKIN	115	159	165.8	104.3	N/A	N/A	EC19	162.2	102	2.3
78757 BOC 2T	115 78760 JMC2+9TP	115	145	194.7	134.3	N/A	N/A	EC19	190.9	131.7	2.6
78766 N.SCOT1	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	199.7	137.7	N/A	N/A	EC19	196	135.2	2.5
78769 OW CRN E	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	199.7	137.7	N/A	N/A	EC19	196	135.2	2.5
78769 OW CRN E	115 78806 BOC 7T	115	145	197.8	136.4	N/A	N/A	EC19	194.2	133.9	2.5
78701 LEEDS 3	345 74000 HURLEY 3	345	1870	1900.5	101.6	NV	NV	EC91&92	1689.2	90.3	11.3
78766 N.SCOT1	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	168.6	116.3	161.8	111.6	EC91&92	159.3	109.9	6.4
78769 OW CRN E	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	168.6	116.3	161.8	111.6	EC91&92	159.3	109.9	6.4
78769 OW CRN E	115 78806 BOC 7T	115	145	166.7	115	159.9	110.2	EC91&92	157.4	108.6	6.4
78766 N.SCOT1	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	148.6	102.5	155.1	107	EC92&95	146.3	100.9	1.6
78769 OW CRN E	115 78798 UNVL 7TP	115	145	148.6	102.5	155.1	107	EC92&95	146.3	100.9	1.6
78769 OW CRN E	115 78806 BOC 7T	115	145	146.6	101.1	153.1	105.6	EC92&95	144.4	99.6	1.5

Note: "N/A" means SPS does not operate under those contingencies

Note: "NV" means there is no violation.

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Extreme Contingency Analysis

Table 6-2: Voltage Differences under Extreme Contingencies

			Case W	ith SPS	Case Without				
			Pre-SPS Operation	Post-SPS Operation		SPS			
			Contingent	Contingent	Extreme	Contingent	Voltage		
Bus #	Bus Name	KV	Voltage	Voltage	Contingency	Voltage	Difference		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.941	N/A	EC18	0.9466	-0.0055		
79124	CENTER-S	115	0.940	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79127	CLINTON	115	0.944	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79141	MARSH115	115	0.944	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79155	ST JOHNS	115	0.945	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79156	STONER	115	0.941	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79159	TAP T79	115	0.949	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79161	VAIL TAP	115	0.942	N/A	EC18	NV	N/A		
79162	VAIL 115	115	0.939	N/A	EC18	0.9492	-0.0100		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.881	N/A	EC19	0.8924	-0.0113		
78702	N.SCOT77	345	1.051	N/A	EC19	1.0535	0.0026		
78703	N.SCOT99	345	1.051	N/A	EC19	1.0534	0.0026		
78742	BLUES-8	115	0.944	N/A	EC19	NV	N/A		
78756	INDC+BKL	115	0.937	N/A	EC19	0.9459	-0.0092		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.906	0.921	EC91&92	0.923	-0.0171		
75492	PAWLN115	115	0.949	NV	EC91&92	NV	N/A		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.934	0.931	EC92&95	0.9376	-0.0037		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.944	N/A	EC27	0.9475	-0.0036		
74040	N.CAT. 1	115	0.938	N/A	EC28	0.944	-0.0058		

Note: "N/A" means SPS does not operate under those contingencies or comparison is not available.

Note: "NV" means there is no violation.

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7.1 SPS Misoperation

The Athens SPS is designed to operate only for post-contingency conditions, namely the loss of Line 91 with subsequent flow on line 92 exceeding its LTE rating or alternately loss of Line 92 with subsequent flow on line 91 exceeding its LTE rating. Operation of the SPS will trip Athens generation to bring the post-contingency flows below the line's LTE rating.

There are several potential misoperation scenarios, not all of which may actually be able to occur depending on the design details of the actual equipment and logic involved:

- Failure to operate when it should
- Operation without the initiating event, i.e., a false trip
- Partial operation, i.e., not tripping enough generation
- Overtripping, i.e., tripping too much generation

Failure of the SPS to operate when it should is covered in the following subsection.

Operation without the initiating event, that is, a false trip of two Athens combined cycle trains (720 MW at full load) is not an insignificant event, but does not result in system conditions outside post-contingency limits. The effect of this misoperation was evaluated by both load flow calculation and stability simulation. Figure 7-1 shows the local system conditions following the loss of 720 MW at Athens. Loadings on all lines are below LTE rating and all bulk system voltages with-in post-contingency limits. Figures 7-2 to 7-5 show results of a stability simulation of the trip of 720 MW of Athens generation. A stable response is exhibited with positive damping.

Partial operation, that is tripping for example one combined cycle train instead of two, would result in an intermediate condition between normal operation and failure to operate. The system condition would be stable, but manual operator action to adjust generation at Athens may be required to reduce the flow on the 91 or 92 line to below LTE rating.

The fourth possibility is overtripping. The effect of this misoperation was evaluated by both load flow calculation and stability simulation. Figure 7-6 shows the local system conditions following the trip of line 91 and misoperation of the SPS with trip of all generation (1080 MW)

at Athens. Loadings on all lines are below LTE rating and all bulk system voltages within post-contingency limits. Figures 7-7 to 7-8 show results of a stability simulation of the trip of

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1080 MW of Athens generation following the line outage. A stable response is exhibited with positive damping.

This analysis demonstrates that misoperation of the SPS will not result in severe system problems or widespread effects on the system, that is, it does not cause a significant adverse impact outside of the local area.

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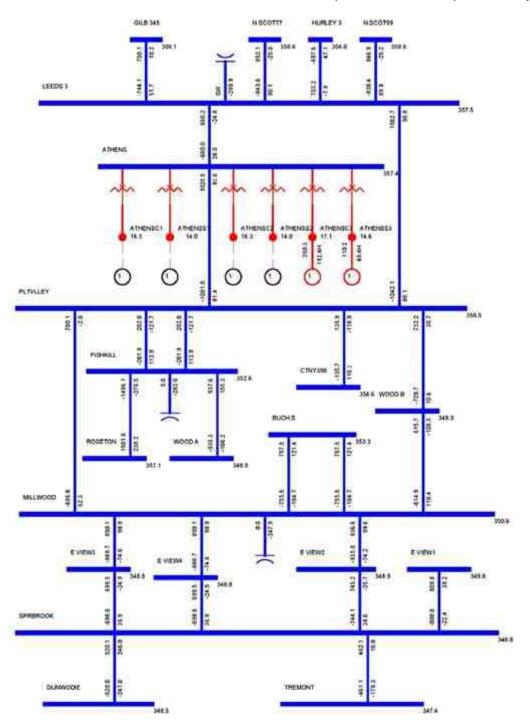
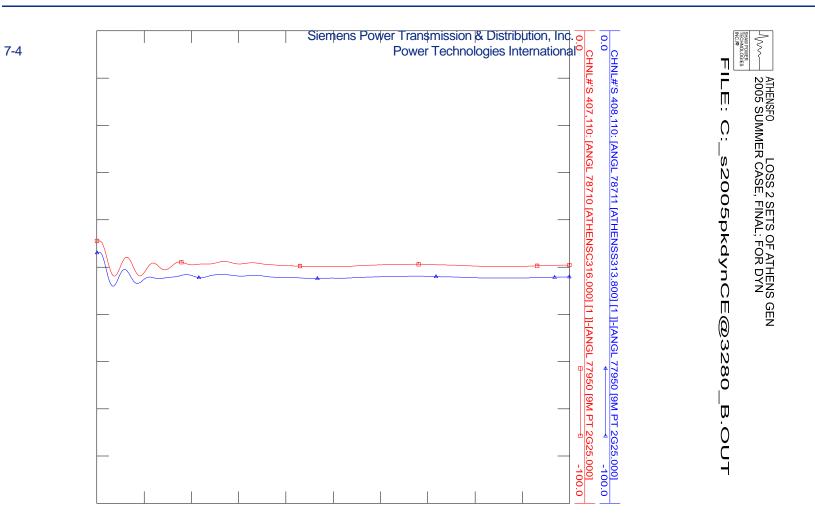


Figure 7-1: Branch Loadings with Misoperation of SPS, Tripping 2 Combined Cycle Trains at Athens.

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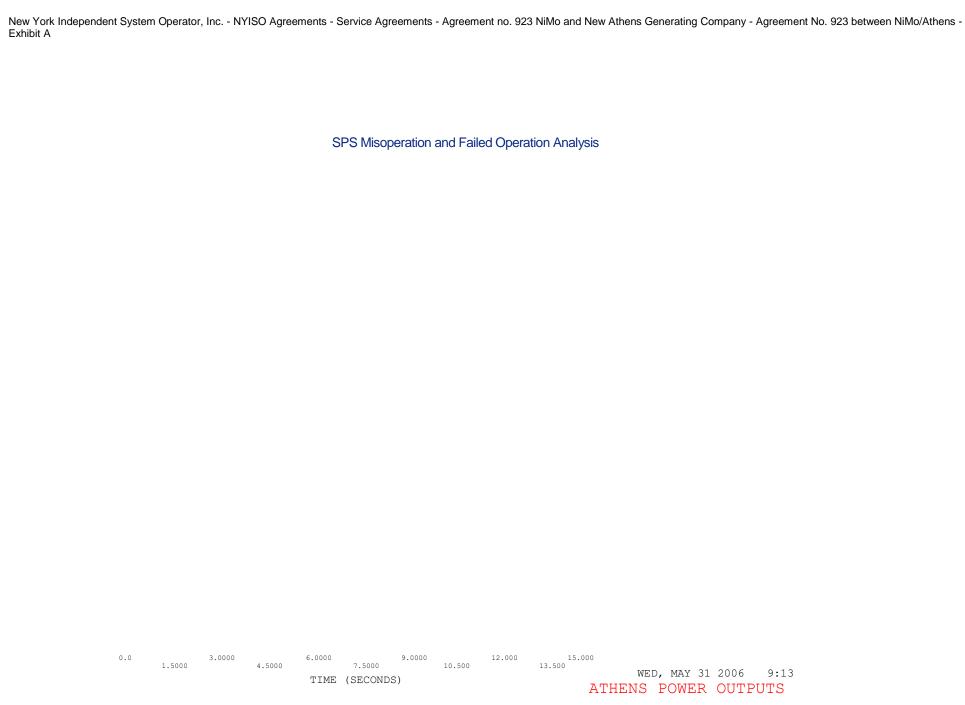
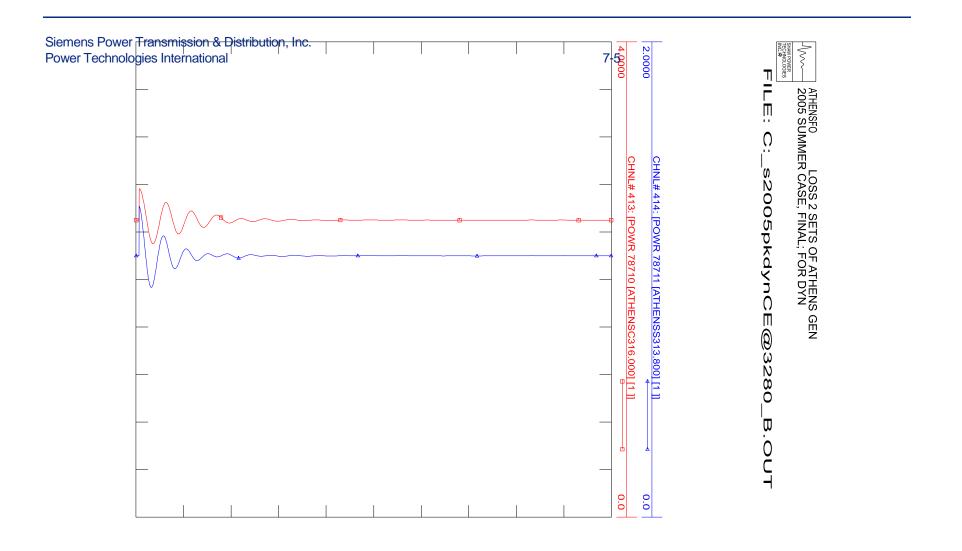


Figure 7-3: Athens Machine Power with Misoperation of SPS, Tripping 2 Combined Cycle Trains at Athens





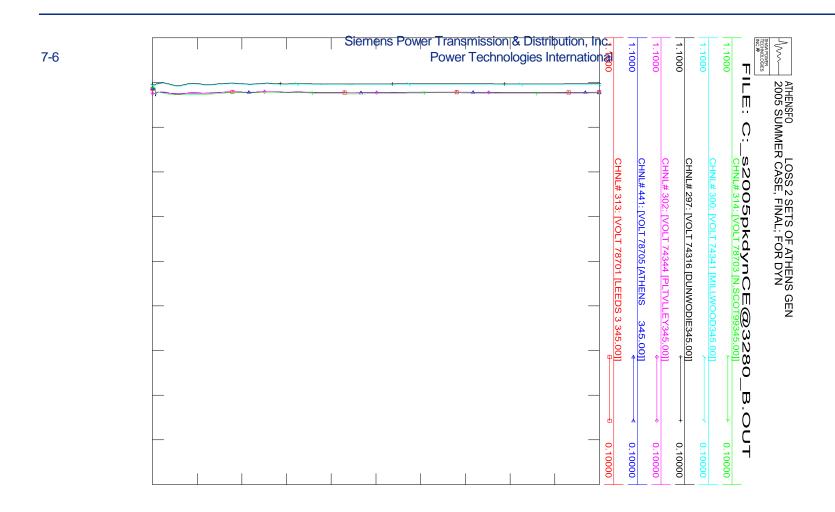
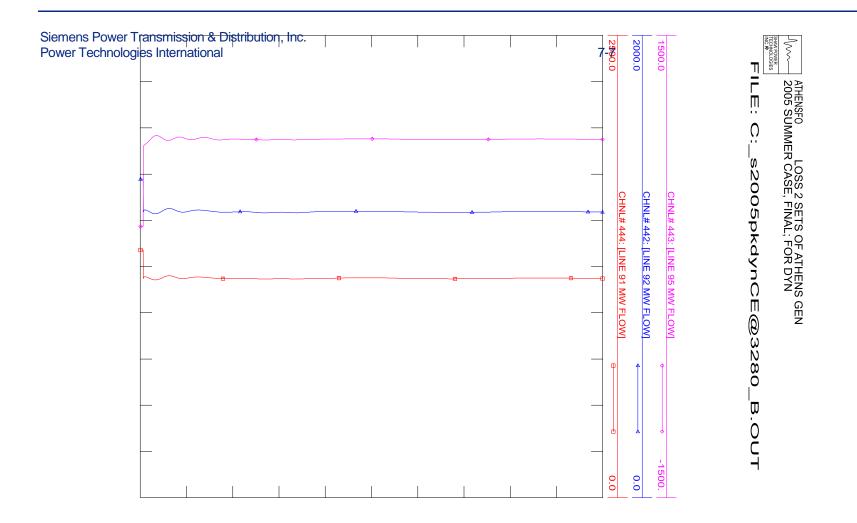




Figure 7-5: Flows on 91, 92 & 95 with Misoperation of SPS, Tripping 2 Combined Cycle Trains at Athens



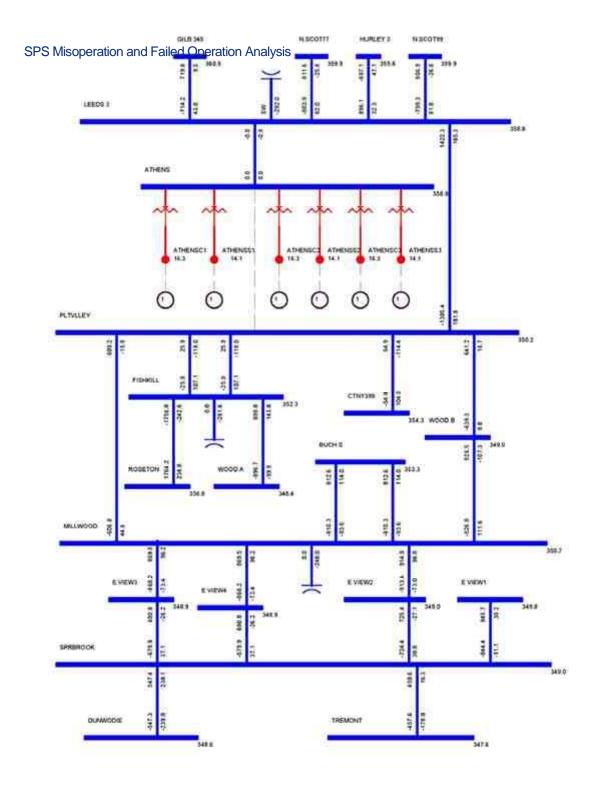


Figure 7-6: Branch Loadings Following Line 91 Outage, with Misoperation of SPS Tripping 3 Combined Cycle Trains at Athens

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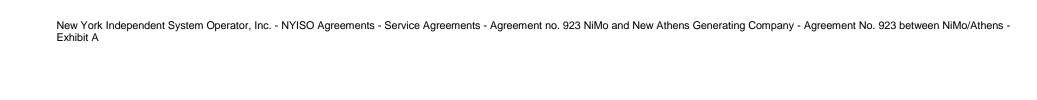
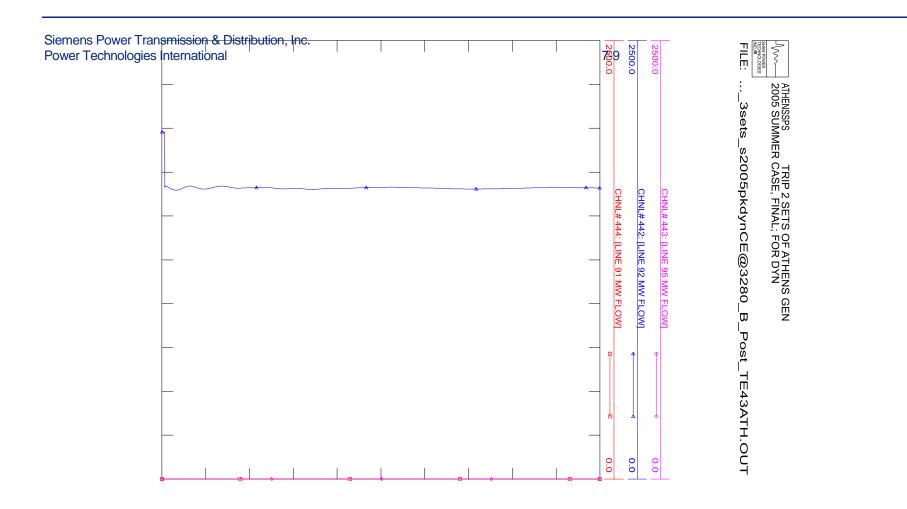
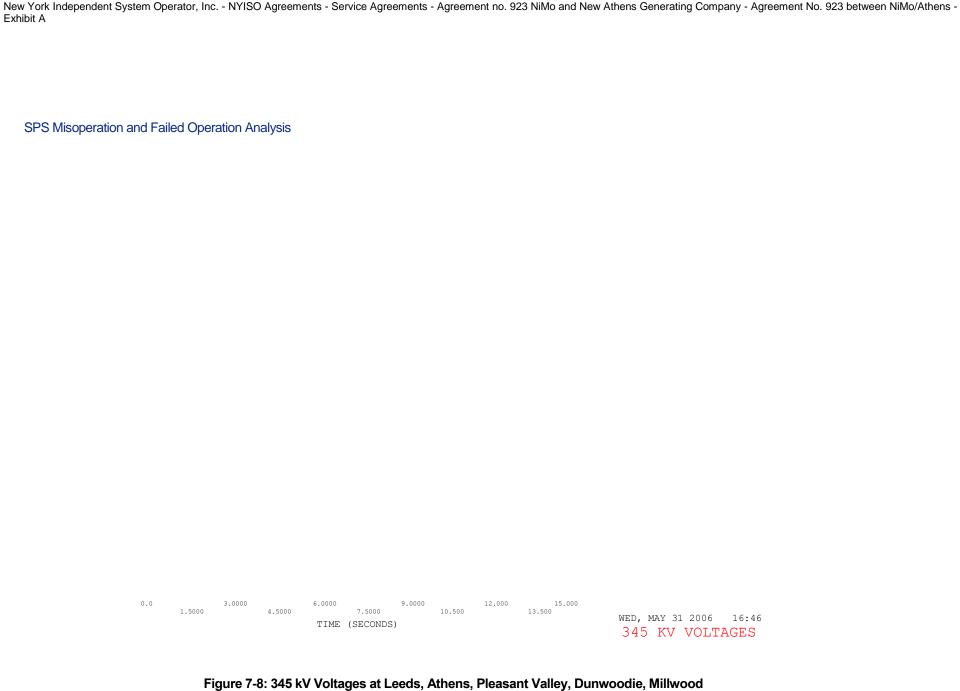
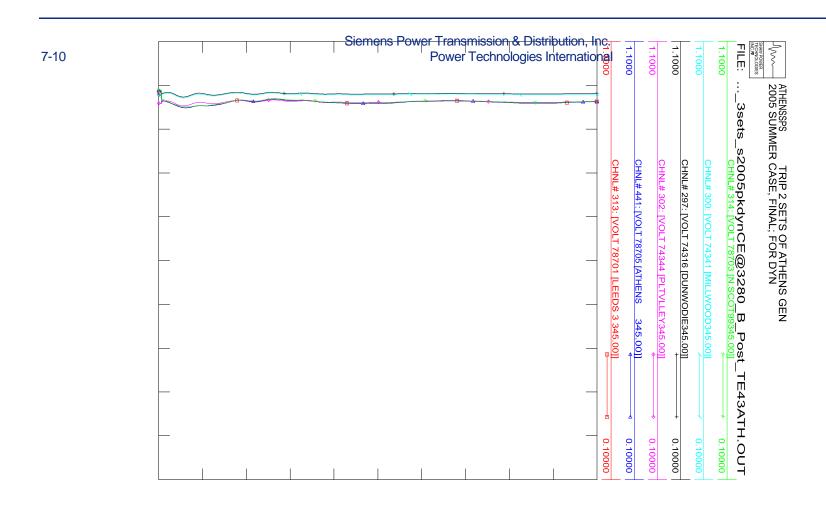




Figure 7-7: Flows on Lines 91, 92 & 95 Loadings Following Line 91 Outage, with Misoperation of SPS Tripping 3 Combined Cycle Trains at Athens







7.2 Failure of the SPS to Operate

The effect of the failure of the SPS to operate to reduce generation at Athens for an outage of either Line 91 or 92 under heavy UPNY-Con Ed transfer can be determined from the analysis described in Section 6. This analysis looked at three time periods:

- Pre-contingency steady state
- 2. Post-contingency, pre-SPS operation
- 3. Post-contingency, post-SPS operation

Operation of the SPS is expected to occur within two minutes following the outage of either line 91 or 92 if the loading on the remaining line is over LTE. The outage of Line 91 is slightly more severe than the outage of line 92 so will be discussed here, although the comments also apply for the opposite scenario. The analysis in Section 6 demonstrated that for the outage of line 91, except for line 92 on the same ROW, all other lines remain within their LTE limits and all bulk system bus voltages within their post-contingency limits (time period 2). The local area flows and voltages are shown in Figure 6-4. Following operation of the SPS, all lines including line 92 are within their LTE limits and all bulk system bus voltages within their post-contingency limits (time period 3). The local area flows and voltages are shown in Figure 6-5.

If the SPS fails to operate, the system does not automatically transition from the second condition to the third within two minutes. The system condition is such that one line is overloaded above its LTE rating, but below its STE rating. All other elements are within postcontingency limits. Since the STE rating is a 15 minute rating, there is ample time for manual operator action to either manually trip generation at Athens or perform other actions.

Note that the likelihood of such a failure would be quite low due to the redundancy built into the SPS design and also the fact that the SPS will only be operational at periods of high transfer and will only operate for permanent faults (i.e., unsuccessful reclosing).

7.3 Potential for Interaction with Other Existing New York Special Protection Systems

Consideration was given to the potential for interaction with other existing Special Protection Systems in New York. A listing of such Systems and procedures is given in Exhibit A-2 of the NYISO System Operation Procedures, Exception to Operating Criteria for Pre-Contingency & Post-Contingency Transmission Facility Flows and Voltages.

None of the exceptions listed in that document should have an interaction. The only three in the general vicinity of the Athens SPS are Exceptions 1, 3, and 5, each of which will be addressed below.

Exception 1: The post-contingency flow on the Marcy-New Scotland 18 line is allowed to exceed its LTE rating for the loss of the Edic-New Scotland 14 line by the amount of relief that can be obtained by tripping the Gilboa pumping load as a single

corrective action. Also, the post-contingency flow on the Edic-New Scotland 14 line is allowed to exceed its LTE rating for either the loss of the Marcy-New Scotland 18 line

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alone, or the double-circuit loss of the Marcy-New Scotland 18 and Adirondack-Porter 12 lines, by the amount of relief that can be obtained by tripping the Gilboa pumping load as a single corrective action.

This exception deals with time periods where Gilboa is in a pumping mode. The Athens SPS is designed for heavy UPNY-Con Ed transfer periods such as during peak load. These two conditions do not occur simultaneously as the Gilboa station would not be pumping at peak load or under conditions requiring heavy UPNY-Con Ed transfers.

Exception 3: The post-contingency flow on the NS-Leeds line is allowed to reach its STE rating for transfers to NE & SENY, with sufficient generation at Gilboa.

This exception is not an SPS but a generation runback procedure under operator control. Hence, since operator control is used and not automatic action, there is no possibility of interaction.

Exception 5: The post-contingency flow on the Gilboa-Leeds (GL-3) line is allowed to reach its STE rating with four generators on at Gilboa.

This exception is not an SPS but a generation runback procedure under operator control. Hence, since operator control is used and not automatic action, there is no possibility of interaction.

Thus these three Exceptions do not pose a concern of interaction with the Athens SPS.

Another point to note is that Exceptions 3 and 5 are examples of how operator actions can be applied in the 15 minute time period associated with the STE rating of a line, consistent with the ability of operator action to manually trip Athens generation in the unlikely event of an SPS failure as discussed above.

SPS Type Analysis

The NPCC Document A-11, Special Protection System Criteria defines three types of special protection Systems:

Type I - An SPS which recognizes or anticipates abnormal system conditions resulting from design and operating criteria contingencies, and whose misoperation or failure to operate would have a significant adverse impact outside of the local area. The corrective action taken by the SPS along with the actions taken by other protection systems are intended to return power system parameters to a stable and recoverable state.

Type II - An SPS which recognizes or anticipates abnormal system conditions resulting from extreme contingencies or other extreme causes, and whose misoperation or failure to operate would have a significant adverse impact outside of the local area.

Type III - An SPS whose misoperation or failure to operate results in no significant adverse impact outside the local area.

The SPS in this study is designed to recognize abnormal system conditions resulting from design and operating criteria contingencies and therefore it is not a Type II SPS, which by definition recognizes or anticipates extreme contingencies.

The study results presented in the previous sections have shown that the misoperation or failed operation of this SPS would not have a significant adverse impact outside of the local area, that is, there are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found outside the local area. Therefore the Athens SPS should be classified as a Type III SPS according to the above criteria.





Conclusions

The purpose of this SIS is to demonstrate the improvement in the UPNY-Con Ed interface transfer capability that would result from the installation and operation of the SPS and other possible associated mitigative measures such as the installation of shunt capacitive compensation at one or more Con Edison substations.

The study shows that the SPS is effective. With the SPS, the transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed Interface can be increased by 466 MW while abiding by applicable reliability rules and criteria. This allows the Athens plant to be dispatched at full capacity, i.e., 1080 MW, during peak load conditions.

The operation without and with the SPS was analyzed using thermal, voltage and stability analysis. The thermal analysis shows that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the UPNY-Con Ed thermal transfer limit is increased by 466 MW, from 3633 MW to 4099 MW. Both without and with the SPS, the transfer is limited by flow on the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line due to loss of the Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line. Without the SPS, the post-contingency flow is limited to the line's LTE rating of 1538 MW while the SPS increases the allowable post-contingency flow to the line's STE rating of 1724 MW. The operation of the SPS reduces the line flow to below the LTE rating within a period of two minutes.

Two contingencies may trigger the SPS, loss of the Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV (Line 91) and the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV line (Line 92). The loss of Line 91 is slightly more severe. For the peak load level and system dispatch modeled in the power flow case supplied by the NYISO, this contingency would require the trip of two Athens combined cycle trains, for a total of 720 MW. The loading on Line 92 after this contingency and SPS operation would be 1520 MW, lower than the LTE rating of 1538 MW.

The thermal transfer limit on the UPNY-SENY interface was also analyzed. The analysis shows that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the UPNY-SENY thermal transfer limit is increased by 466 MW, from 4502 MW to 4968 MW. Both without and with the SPS, the limiting element is the same as that for the UPNY-Con Ed interface.

The voltage analysis indicated that transfer across the UPNY-Con Ed interface would be limited by the pre-contingency voltage limit of 348 kV at four lower Hudson Valley 345 kV buses. Therefore a 240 MVAr capacitor bank was modeled at Millwood which is sufficient to maintain the steady-state pre-contingency voltage at these stations above 348 kV. Millwood was selected as the potential location for the capacitor back due to concerns that space may be limited in other possible stations.

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The voltage contingency analysis indicated that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS in-service, there was no significant incremental impact on bulk system voltages

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compared to operation without the SPS. The voltages on several 115 kV buses decreased by less than 1% under certain contingencies.

The P-V analysis showed that with Athens dispatched at full capacity and the SPS, the voltage-based UPNY-Con Ed transfer limit is increased by 245 MW. The voltage-based transfer limits for both without and with the SPS are higher than the respective thermal limits, as follows:

UPNY-Con Ed Transfer	Case Without SPS	Case With SPS	Change
Pre-Contingency Low	3880 ^A	4125 ^A	245
Post-Contingency Low	4279 ^B	4383 ^B	104
95% Voltage Collapse (5% MW Margin)	4092 ^C	4190 ^C	98
Voltage-Based Transfer Limit	3880 ^A	4125 ^c	245
Thermal Transfer Limit	3633 ^D	4099 ^E	466

- A Pre-contingency voltage at Dunwoodie 345 kV
- B Post-contingency voltage at Pleasant Valley 345 kV for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42
- C 95% of voltage collapse criteria limit for loss of tower Coopers Corners-Rock Tavern 34/42
- D Limited by Leeds Pleasant Valley 345 kV (LTE: 1538 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV
- E Limited by Leeds Pleasant Valley 345 kV (STE: 1724 MW) for loss of Athens-Pleasant Valley 345 kV

Stability analysis was performed. All stability simulations exhibited a stable response with positive damping. Stability is thus not the limiting constraint on the transfer level on the UPNY-Con Ed interface either without or with the SPS.

The extreme contingency analysis demonstrates that the case with SPS shows incremental overload and voltage impacts on several 115 kV facilities. Additionally, for the case with the SPS, the loss of the Right-of-Way of Lines 91 & 92 would overload the Leeds to Hurley 345 kV line by 1%. There are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found on the bulk power system under the extreme contingencies tested.

The analysis demonstrates that misoperation of the SPS will not result in severe system problems or widespread effects on the system, that is, it does not cause a significant adverse impact outside of the local area.

Failure of the SPS to operate under maximum transfer conditions would result in Line 91 or 92 being loaded above its LTE rating following the outage of the other, but below its STE rating. For the peak condition analyzed, all other elements are within post-contingency limits. Since the STE rating is a 15 minute rating, there is ample time for manual operator action to either manually trip generation at Athens or perform other actions.

The study results demonstrate that the misoperation or failed operation of this SPS would not have a significant adverse impact outside of the local area, that is, there are no widespread overloads or voltage violations found outside the local area. Thus the SPS should be

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classified as a Type III SPS according to the NPCC Special Protection System Criteria (NPCC Document A-11).

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The NYISO will calculate the actual Transmission Congestion Contracts (TCCs) awarded as a result of this proposed SPS. However, the results of this SIS indicate a potential TCC award estimate of 466 MW for the Athens' SPS.

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EXHIBIT B

Conceptual Report - Redundant Athens SPS

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Conceptual Report - Redundant SPS

Objective

This document describes the preliminary requirements and investment grade estimate required to design and construct a Redundant Special Protection System (SPS) for the Athens Generating Station (Athens Plant).

Background

In 2007/2008 a Special Protection System (SPS) was designed and constructed between Leeds Station - Athens Station - Athens Plant. The purpose of the SPS was to allow increased generation levels at Athens Generating Station while avoiding post contingency overloads on the 345kV transmission lines 91 (LN91) or 92 (LN92) for loss of either the LN91 or the LN92. By rejecting Athens generation the Athens SPS system has allowed the LN91 and the LN92 to be operated at post contingency loading levels up to the STE rating of each line.

Proposed Project

Protection Engineering New York and Substation Engineering & Design New York have been requested by Transmission Planning to provide an investment grade cost estimate for design and installation of a redundant Athens SPS system. With no additional requirements identified in the request this document was developed to clarify what redundancy is and provide an investment grade estimate to design and construct a second (redundant) Athens SPS.

The intent of adding a redundant Athens SPS is to prevent an element failure or an out of service element of the existing or redundant SPS from impacting the functionality of the Athens SPS as described in the Background description above. The redundant Athens SPS is to utilize independent diverse power sources, inputs, and outputs from the original SPS. Since the equipment and communication method selected for the original SPS provides the most reliable and secure system possible there is no intent in the design of the redundant equipment to use components from an alternate manufacturer or technology, however the latest models will be utilized which minimizes common mode failure due to manufacturing flaws.

Identification of the Redundant SPS (Athens SPS "A")

Since the original Athens SPS is connected to "B" protection Current Transformers, "B" Station Batteries and uses the "B" Fiber Optic Routing Path it will be identified in the future as the Athens SPS "B" package. Since the redundant Athens SPS will be connected to "A" protection Current Transformers, "A" Station Batteries and will use the existing "A" Fiber Optic Routing Path it will be identified in the future as the Athens SPS "A" package. To support this nomenclature, print and labeling changes must be made to the existing SPS scheme to reflect its new designation as Athens SPS "B".

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Athens SPS "A" Package Communication Equipment

The existing Athens SPS "B" package uses the "B" Fiber Optic Routing Path from Leeds Station to Athens Station. The "B" Fiber Optic Routing Path is buried in the ROW and along part of Rt

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74. The existing protection "A" Fiber Optic Routing Path is along the ROW on Fiber Optic Shield Wire (OPGW). The "A" path will provide a diverse route for the Athens SPS "A" package and has been identified to have spare fibers that will provide this function. The new Athens SPS "A" package will also require an alternate diverse route for fiber communication between the Athens Station and the Athens Plant. It is assumed that there is spare conduit with spare fiber optic cable to support this. IF this turns out to be false then the cost to install such a diverse path will need to be added to the estimate provided in this document.

Overview of Athens SPS "A" Package Equipment

Figure 1 shows a one line diagram of the proposed redundant Athens SPS "A" package equipment. Note that this will be the same as the existing SPS "B" package equipment.

National Grid Athens Station

The following equipment will be designed and installed at the Athens Station by National Grid to support the Athens SPS "A":

- 1. New relay panel for SPS "A" equipment.
- Schweitzer SEL-351-6 Microprocessor Overcurrent Relay for inputs and logic control.
- 3. Three position selector switch for "Summer LTE", "Winter LTE", and "OFF".
- 4. Inputs from breakers R9162 & R9163 on LN91 breaker status and line current.
- 5. Utilize spare fiber optic cables between Athens and Leeds substations on the "A" fiber optic path.
- 6. Utilize spare fiber optic cables between Athens Station and Athens Generating Station. It needs to be determined that this diverse alternate path exists or the cost must be added to the estimate.

National Grid Leeds Station

The following will be will be designed and installed at the Leeds Station by National Grid to support the Athens SPS "A".

- 1. New Relay panel for SPS "A" equipment
- 2. Schweitzer SEL-351-6 Microprocessor Overcurrent Relay for inputs and logic control.
- 3. Inputs from breakers R92 & R9293 on LN92 breaker status and line current.
- 4. Use of spare "A" fiber optic cables (OPGW) between Athens and Leeds Stations.

National Grid Transmission Control Center

The following will be displayed and / or controlled from National Grid TCC via EMS:

- 1. SPS "A" actuation indication.
- 2. SPS "A" selector switch position.
- 3. Displayed value of the active logic setting group (SUMMER, WINTER, or OFF) of the SPS "A" relays at Leeds and Athens Stations.

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Athens Plant

The following will be acquired and employed at the Athens Plant by New Athens Generating Facility to support the Athens SPS "A":

- 1. Schweitzer SEL-2100 logic processor.
- 2. Three (3) Schweitzer SEL-2506 I/O modules.
- 3. Selectable generator rejection sequence switch.
- 4. SPS "A" actuation indication.
- 5. Displayed value of the active logic setting group (SUMMER, WINTER, or OFF) of the SPS "A" relays at Leeds and Athens Stations.
- 6. Use of spare fiber optic cables between Athens Station and Athens Plant. It needs to be determined that this alternate path exists or the cost must be added to the estimate.

Investment Grade Cost Estimate

Table 1 and 2 identify an investment grade estimate for the addition of a redundant SPS (Athens SPS "A") as described in this document. Table 1 is the estimate for the work at National Grid's substations while Table 2 is the estimate for the work at the Athens Plant. The estimates assume that the spare diverse contacts, power sources, communication routing, annunciator windows, and CTs confirmed thru drawing reviews are available. It was also confirmed via

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Table 1: Investment Grade Estimate (Work	at NG Substations)
Conceptual / Facility Study	\$45k
Materials	\$60k
Engineering (design)	\$145k
Construction	\$255k

TOTAL:	⊤ \$505k ¹	7
Note 1: Estimate does not include AFUD actual costs incurred for installation of the	C, assumed to be upfront payment	per E&GSB 120. Estimate based upon
Table 2: Investment Grade Estin]
Materials	\$30k]
Engineering (design)	\$45k	
Construction	\$90k	

TOTAL: \$165k²

Note 2: Assumed to be designed and installed by others. Estimate developed from estimate provided by HMT for the original SPS. National Grid has no actuals to compare the estimate against.

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