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December 18, 2015

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Annual Report in Docket Nos. ER01-3001-000, ER03-647-000 and  
Request for Privileged Treatment of Attachments I, III, and IV

Dear Ms. Bose:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced dockets is the New York Independent System Operator, Inc.'s ("NYISO's") Annual Installed Capacity Report on the NYISO's Capacity Market, Possible Withholding, New Generation Projects, and Net Revenue Analysis (the "Report").<sup>1</sup> By Order dated February 3, 2010, the Commission directed the NYISO to file this report for informational purposes only.<sup>2</sup>

### **I. List of Documents Submitted**

The NYISO submits with this letter, and the below request for confidential treatment, a public version of the Report, with Attachment I, III, and IV redacted. Separately, the NYISO is submitting as confidential Attachments I, III and IV (the "Confidential Attachments").

As with prior annual Installed Capacity Reports, the Report is comprised of the following separate sections: Section I: Capacity Market Report and Withholding Analysis, Section II: Report on New Generation Projects, and Section III: New Generation Projects and Net Revenue Analysis.

### **II. Request for Confidential Treatment of Attachments I, III, and IV**

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<sup>1</sup> *New York Indepen. Sys. Operator, Inc.*, 117 FERC ¶ 61,086 (2006); *New York Indepen. Sys. Operator, Inc.*, 103 FERC ¶ 61,201 (2003), 108 FERC ¶ 61,280 (2004), 121 FERC ¶ 61,090 (2007), 123 FERC ¶ 61,206 (2008). In Docket ER03-647, the NYISO files an annual report regarding its Demand Side Management programs on January 15, and a semi-annual report on its Demand Side Management programs and new generation projects on June 15 each year.

<sup>2</sup> *New York Indepen. Sys. Operator, Inc.*, Order, Docket Nos. ER01-3001 and ER03-647 (Feb. 3, 2010).

In accordance with Sections 388.107 and 388.112 of the Commission's Regulations,<sup>3</sup> Article 6 of the NYISO's Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff, Sections 1.0(4) and 4.0 of the NYISO's Code of Conduct, the NYISO requests Privileged and Confidential treatment of the contents of the Confidential Attachments. The NYISO also requests that the Confidential Attachments be exempted from public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. §522.<sup>4</sup>

The Confidential Attachments contain privileged and commercially sensitive, and trade secret information that is not made public by the NYISO and that could cause competitive harm to the affected Market Participants,<sup>5</sup> and could adversely affect competition in the markets administered by the NYISO, if publicly disclosed. This information includes the identity of Installed Capacity Suppliers and their respective offering behavior, and the basis therefor. This confidential, commercially sensitive information, is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. §522(b)(4). For this reason, the NYISO requests that the contents of Confidential Attachments receive Privileged and Confidential treatment and be exempt from FOIA disclosure.

A public version of the contents of Attachment I is set forth in Report Section 1.5.4.2. A public version of Confidential Attachment III, summarizing and masking the contents of Attachment III, is included in the Report as Attachment II. A masked and aggregated version of Confidential Attachment IV is set forth in Report Section 1.5.4.4.

The NYISO requests waiver of any obligation it may have under the Commission's regulations or the Secretary's rules to submit a redacted version of the Confidential Attachments. The NYISO incorporated into the body of Report Section I a masked or aggregated version of the information that is contained in the Confidential Attachments and thereby makes publicly available the information contained in Attachment III that is not confidential and commercially sensitive. In that regard, the NYISO has provided a redacted version of the information contained in the Confidential Attachments.

The Confidential Attachments are identified and marked in accordance with the Commission's regulations and rules published by the Secretary's Office for submitting Privileged information.

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<sup>3</sup> 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.107, 388.112.

<sup>4</sup> The information provided by the NYISO for which the NYISO claims an exemption from FOIA disclosure is labeled "Contains Privileged Information - Do Not Release."

<sup>5</sup> Terms with initial capitalization not defined herein have the meaning set forth in the NYISO's Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff.

### III. Correspondence

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. §385.2010 (2012). I have also electronically served the foregoing on all market participants, on each participant in its stakeholder committees, on the New York State Public Service Commission, and on the electric utility regulatory agency of New Jersey.

Dated at Rensselaer, NY this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015.

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