

Attachment II

2.12 Definitions - L

LBMP Market(s): The Real-Time Market or the Day-Ahead Market or both.

Limited Control Run-of-River Hydro Resource: A Generator above 1 MW in size that has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the ISO that its Energy production depends directly on river flows over which it has limited control and that such dependence precludes accurate prediction of the facility's real-time output.

Limited Customer: An entity that is not a Customer but which qualifies to participate in the ISO's Emergency Demand Response Program by complying with Limited Customer requirements set forth in the ISO Procedures.

Limited Energy Storage Resource ("LESR"): A Generator authorized to offer Regulation Service only and characterized by limited Energy storage, that is, the inability to sustain continuous operation at maximum Energy withdrawal or maximum Energy injection for a minimum period of one hour. LESRs must bid as ISO-Committed Flexible Resources.

Limited Energy Storage Resource ("LESR") Energy Management: Real-time Energy injections or withdrawals scheduled by the ISO to manage the Energy storage capacity of a Limited Energy Storage Resource, pursuant to ISO Procedures, for the purpose of maximizing the Capacity bid as available for Regulation Service from such Resource.

Linden VFT Scheduled Line: A transmission facility that interconnects the NYCA to the PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Control Area in Linden, New Jersey.

LIPA Tax Exempt Bonds: Obligations issued by the Long Island Power Authority, the interest on which is not included in gross income under the Internal Revenue Code.

Load: A term that refers to either a consumer of Energy or the amount of demand (MW) or Energy (MWh) consumed by certain consumers. Energy withdrawals by Withdrawal-Eligible Generators are not Load.

Load Serving Entity ("LSE"): Any entity, including a municipal electric system and an electric cooperative, authorized or required by law, regulatory authorization or requirement, agreement, or contractual obligation to supply Energy, Capacity and/or Ancillary Services to retail customers located within the NYCA, including an entity that takes service directly from the ISO to supply its own Load in the NYCA.

Load Shedding: The systematic reduction of system demand by disconnecting Load in response to a Transmission System or area Capacity shortage, system instability, or voltage control considerations under the ISO OATT.

Load Zone: One (1) of eleven (11) geographical areas located within the NYCA that is bounded by one (1) or more of the fourteen (14) New York State Interfaces.

Local Furnishing Bonds: Tax-exempt bonds issued by a Transmission Owner under an agreement between the Transmission Owner and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (“NYSERDA”), or its successor, or by a Transmission Owner itself, and pursuant to Section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 142(f).

Local Generator: A resource operated by or on behalf of a Load that is either: (i) not synchronized to a local distribution system; or (ii) synchronized to a local distribution system solely in order to support a Load that is equal to or in excess of the resource’s Capacity. Local Generators supply Energy only to the Load they are being operated to serve and do not supply Energy to the distribution system.

Locality: A single LBMP Load Zone or set of adjacent LBMP Load Zones within which a minimum level of Installed Capacity must be maintained, and as specifically identified in this subsection to mean (1) Load Zone J; (2) Load Zone K; and (3) Load Zones G, H, I, and J collectively (*i.e.*, the G-J Locality).

Locality Exchange Factor: The percentage of Locational Export Capacity that the ISO determines annually in accordance with Section 5.11.6 of the Services Tariff.

Locality Exchange MW: The MW of Locational Export Capacity excluding the MW to be transmitted using UDRs, that the ISO determines in accordance with Section 5.11.5 of the Services Tariff.

Local Reliability Rule: A Reliability Rule established by a Transmission Owner, and adopted by the NYSRC, to meet specific reliability concerns in limited areas of the NYCA, including without limitation, special conditions and requirements applicable to nuclear plants and special requirements applicable to the New York City metropolitan area.

Locational Based Marginal Pricing (“LBMP”): The price of Energy at each location in the NYS Transmission System as calculated pursuant to Section 17 Attachment B of this Services Tariff.

Locational Export Capacity: The MW of a Generator electrically located in an Import Constrained Locality that (a) has Capacity Resource Interconnection Service, pursuant to the applicable provisions of Attachments X, S, Z, or HH to the ISO OATT, and (b) that meets the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 5.9.2.2 of the Services Tariff.

Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement: The portion of the NYCA Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement provided by Capacity Resources that must be electrically located within a Locality (including those combined with a Unforced Capacity Deliverability Right except for rights returned in an annual election to the ISO in accordance with ISO Procedures) in order to ensure that sufficient Energy and Capacity are available in that Locality and that appropriate reliability criteria are met.

Locational Minimum Unforced Capacity Requirement: The Unforced Capacity equivalent of the Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement.

Long Island (“L.I.”): An electrical area comprised of Load Zone K, as identified in the ISO Procedures.

Lost Opportunity Cost: The foregone profit associated with the provision of Ancillary Services, which is equal to the product of: (1) the difference between (a) the Energy that a Generator or Aggregation could have sold at the specific LBMP and (b) the Energy sold as a result of reducing the Generator or Aggregation’s output to provide an Ancillary Service under the directions of the ISO; and (2) the LBMP existing at the time the Generator or Aggregation was instructed to provide the Ancillary Service, less the Generator or Aggregation’s Energy bid for the same MW segment.

Lower Operating Limit: For an Energy Storage Resource, a Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation containing Energy Storage Resources, the maximum amount of megawatts the Resource can consume from the grid, if it is bidding to withdraw Energy, or the minimum amount of MW the Resource can supply to the grid if it is not bidding to withdraw Energy. The Lower Operating Limit of an ISO-Managed Energy Storage Resource that is not bidding to withdraw Energy shall not be set to less than 0 MW. Bids for DER Aggregations may include a Lower Operating Limit that is greater than 0 MW when the Aggregation submits a self-committed Bid to inject Energy. The Lower Operating Limit of a Hybrid Storage Resource shall not be set to greater than 0 MW.

Lower Storage Limit: The minimum amount of Energy an Energy Storage Resource or Aggregation comprised entirely of Energy Storage Resources is physically capable of storing.

LSE Unforced Capacity Obligation: The amount of Unforced Capacity that each NYCA LSE must obtain for an Obligation Procurement Period as determined by the ICAP Demand Curve for the NYCA, the G-J Locality, New York City Locality, and/or the Long Island Locality, as applicable, for each ICAP Spot Market Auction. The amount includes, at a minimum, each LSE’s share of the NYCA Minimum Unforced Capacity Requirement and the Locational Minimum Unforced Capacity Requirement, as applicable.

4.2 Day-Ahead Markets and Schedules

4.2.1 Day-Ahead Load Forecasts, Bids and Bilateral Schedules

4.2.1.1 General Customer Forecasting and Bidding Requirements

Subject to the two earlier submission deadlines set forth below, by 5 a.m. on the day prior to the Dispatch Day: (i) All LSEs serving Load in the NYCA shall provide the ISO with Load forecasts for the Dispatch Day and the day after the Dispatch Day; and (ii) Customers and Transmission Customers submitting Bids in the Day-Ahead Market shall provide the ISO, consistent with ISO Procedures:

- a. Bids to supply Energy, including Bids to supply Energy in Virtual Transactions;
- b. Bids to supply Ancillary Services;
- c. Requests for Bilateral Transaction schedules;
- d. Bids to purchase Energy, including Bids to purchase Energy in Virtual Transactions and Bids to withdraw Energy by Withdrawal-Eligible Generators;
- e. For Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, the forecasted Host Load for each hour of the Dispatch Day.

By 4:50 a.m. on the day prior to the Dispatch Day, all Customers or Transmission Customers shall submit Bids for External Transactions at the Proxy Generator Bus associated with the Cross-Sound Scheduled Line, the Neptune Scheduled Line, the Linden VFT Scheduled Line, or the HTP Scheduled Line.

By 4:45 a.m. on the day prior to the Dispatch Day, all Customers or Transmission Customers shall submit Bids that include revised fuel type or fuel price information to the ISO's Market Information System.

In general, the information provided to the ISO shall include the following:

4.2.1.2 Load Forecasts

The Load forecast shall indicate the predicted level of Load in MW by Point of Withdrawal for each hour.

4.2.1.3 Bids by Suppliers Using the ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Flexible or ISO-Committed Fixed Bid Modes to Supply Energy and/or Ancillary Services

4.2.1.3.1 General Rules

Day-Ahead Bids by Suppliers using the ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Flexible or ISO-Committed Fixed bid modes shall identify the Capacity, in MW, available for scheduling in the Day-Ahead Market (for every hour of the Dispatch Day) and the price(s) at which the Supplier will voluntarily enter into dispatch commitments. If the Supplier elects to participate in the Day-Ahead Market, and is within a defined electrical boundary, electrically interconnected with, and routinely serves a Host Load (which Host Load does not consist solely of Station Power) at a single PTID, it can only participate in the Day-Ahead Market as a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource. If the Supplier is a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource, the ISO shall only consider price-MW pairs in excess of the forecasted Host Load for the Resource.

A Supplier's Day-Ahead Bids for an Energy Storage Resource to withdraw Energy and to inject Energy shall be submitted as a single, continuous, bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, available for scheduling in the Day-Ahead Market for each hour of the Dispatch Day, and shall indicate whether the Resource's Energy Level will be ISO- or Self-Managed. An Energy Storage Resource may not change its Energy Level Management election within the Day-Ahead Market evaluation period (*i.e.*, within a single day).

A Supplier's Day-Ahead Market Self-Committed Flexible Bid for a DER Aggregation may include Energy withdrawals if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. A Supplier's hourly Day-Ahead Bids for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy and to supply Energy shall be submitted as a single, continuous bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, that is being made available for each hour of the Dispatch Day. When the Energy Bid for a DER Aggregation includes both Energy supply and Energy withdrawal by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component of the Aggregation, each point of the DER Aggregation's Bid curve shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying.

Co-located Storage Resources can each offer all of their available capability into the Day-Ahead Market. The ISO will account for the CSR Scheduling Limits in the schedules if it issues to CSR Generators.

A Supplier's Day-Ahead Bids for a Hybrid Storage Resource to withdraw Energy and to inject Energy shall be submitted as a single, continuous, bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, available for scheduling in the Day-Ahead Market for each hour of the Dispatch Day. A Hybrid Storage Resource may not submit a Lower Operating Limit that exceeds zero MW, or an Upper Operating Limit that is less than zero MW.

DER Aggregations may submit a Self-Committed Fixed or Flexible Bid to inject Energy that includes a Lower Operating Limit that is equal to or greater than zero MW. Withdrawal-eligible DER Aggregations may submit a Self-Committed Fixed or Flexible Bid to withdraw Energy that includes a Normal Upper Operating Limit that is equal to or less than zero MW. Otherwise, DER Aggregations may not submit Bids that include a Lower Operating Limit that exceed zero MW, or an Upper Operating Limit that is less than zero MW.

If the Supplier using the ISO-Committed Flexible or Self-Committed Flexible bid mode is eligible to provide Regulation Service or Operating Reserves under Rate Schedules 3 and 4 respectively of this ISO Services Tariff, the Supplier's Bid may specify the quantity of Regulation Capacity it is making available and shall specify an emergency response rate that determines the quantity of Operating Reserves that it is capable of providing. Offers to provide Regulation Service and Operating Reserves must comply with the rules set forth in Rate Schedules 3 and 4 of this ISO Services Tariff. If a Supplier that is eligible to provide Operating Reserves does not submit a Day-Ahead Availability Bid for Operating Reserves, its Day-Ahead Bid shall be rejected in its entirety. A Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation must submit an Operating Reserve Limit with each of its hourly Bids. A Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource that is comprised of more than one generating unit, or an Aggregation containing at least one generating unit (unless all of the generating unit(s) use inverter-based energy storage technology) that is dispatched as a single aggregate unit at a single PTID is not qualified to provide Regulation Service or Spinning Reserves. The Aggregator of an Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation may elect to have the Aggregation provide any Operating Reserve product that at least one DER participating in the Aggregation is eligible to provide (Spinning Reserve, 10-Minute Non-Synchronized Reserve, or 30-Minute Reserve) for a given duration of enrollment. The quantity of Operating Reserves the Aggregation is able to provide shall be based on the combined capabilities of the participating DER that are eligible to provide the elected Operating Reserves product. An Aggregation that elects to provide Spinning Reserve or 10-Minute Non-Synchronized Reserve may be awarded reserves by the ISO to fulfill the 30-Minute Reserve Requirement. The Aggregator may change its Operating Reserves product election on a monthly basis by submitting a change to the ISO in advance, which is

subject to ISO review. A Supplier may resubmit a complete Day-Ahead Bid, provided that the new Bid is timely.

Suppliers entering a Bid into the Day-Ahead Market may also enter Day-Ahead Bids for each of the next nine (9) Dispatch Days. If not subsequently modified or withdrawn, these offers for subsequent Dispatch Days may be used by the ISO as offers from these Suppliers in the Day-Ahead Market for these subsequent Dispatch Days. For Suppliers that are providing Unforced Capacity in the ISO-administered ICAP Market for the month in which the Dispatch Day and the nine-day advance bidding period are encompassed, the ISO may enter the eighth day offer as the Bid for that Supplier's ninth day, if there is, otherwise no ninth-day Bid.

4.2.1.3.2 Bid Parameters

Day-Ahead Bids by Suppliers using the ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Flexible or ISO-Committed Fixed bid modes may identify-variable Energy price Bids, consisting of up to eleven monotonically increasing, constant cost incremental Energy steps, and other parameters described in ISO Procedures. Day-Ahead Bids by Intermittent Power Resources that depend on wind or solar energy as their fuel shall be ISO-Committed Flexible and shall include a Minimum Generation Bid of zero megawatts and zero costs and a Start-Up Bid of zero cost.

Day-Ahead Bids by ISO-Committed Fixed and ISO-Committed Flexible Generators, other than Bids from Intermittent Power Resources that depend on wind or solar energy as their fuel, shall also include Minimum Generation Bids and hourly Start-Up Bids. Bids shall specify whether a Supplier is offering to be ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Fixed, or Self-Committed Flexible.

Co-located Storage Resources must each submit a CSR injection Scheduling Limit and a CSR withdrawal Scheduling Limit for each hour of the Day-Ahead Market to indicate the

expected capability of the relevant facilities. Resources that participate as a CSR shall not submit Day-Ahead Market Bids that would self-commit either of the Generators, or both of the Generators together, to inject or to withdraw a quantity of Energy that exceeds an applicable CSR Scheduling Limit. An Energy Storage Resource that, together with a Generator that submits a Minimum Generation Bid or is a Fixed Block Unit, participates as Co-located Storage Resources shall not submit Day-Ahead Market Bids that would self-commit the Energy Storage Resource to inject Energy such that the Generator's Minimum Generation (or full output for a Fixed Block Unit), plus the Energy Storage Resource's self schedule, exceeds the CSR injection Scheduling Limit.

When a Generator that submits a Minimum Generation Bid or that is a Fixed Block Unit participates as a Co-located Storage Resource, the ISO will treat the Generator as operating at, at least, its Minimum Generation Level (or full output for a Fixed Block Unit) for the purpose of scheduling the Energy Storage Resource whenever the Generator is scheduled, including during start-up and shut-down periods.

4.2.1.3.3 Upper Operating Limits, Lower Operating Limits, and Response Rates

All Bids to supply Energy and Ancillary Services must specify a UOL_N and a UOL_E for each hour. A Resource's UOL_E may not be lower than its UOL_N . Bids from Withdrawal-Eligible Generators, and Aggregations containing at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator, shall also specify the Generator's Lower Operating Limit for each hour.

Bids from Suppliers for Generators and Aggregations supplying Energy and Ancillary Services must specify a normal response rate and may provide up to three normal response rates provided the minimum normal response rate may be no less than one percent (1%) of the

Generator's or Aggregation's Operating Capacity per minute. All Bids from Suppliers for Generators and Aggregations supplying Energy and Ancillary Services must also specify an emergency response rate which shall be equal to or greater than the maximum normal response rate of the Generator or Aggregation.

4.2.1.3.4 Additional Parameters for Energy Storage Resources and Aggregations Comprised only of Energy Storage Resources

In addition to the parameters that Suppliers submit for Energy Storage Resources because they are Generators, specific parameters may apply to some Bids for Energy Storage Resources. Consistent with the ISO Procedures, Bids from Suppliers for Energy Storage Resources supplying Energy and Ancillary Services may be required to specify the Beginning Energy Level and the Energy Storage Resource's Roundtrip Efficiency, and must specify its Upper and Lower Storage Limits. The Energy Level for an Energy Storage Resource shall be managed by the Supplier unless the Supplier elects, in its Bids, to be ISO-Managed.

The Day-Ahead Schedule for Energy Storage Resources with ISO-Managed Energy Levels will reflect the Resource's Energy Level constraints, including the Beginning Energy Level, the Upper and Lower Storage Limits, and the Resource's Roundtrip Efficiency. An Energy Storage Resource that self-manages its Energy Level is obligated to submit Bids that are consistent with its Energy Level constraints, and the Day-Ahead optimization will not honor the above-identified Energy Level constraints.

The rules in this section 4.2.1.3.4 shall also apply to Aggregations comprised entirely of Energy Storage Resources.

4.2.1.3.5 Additional Parameters for Hybrid Storage Resources and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations

In addition to the parameters that Suppliers submit for Generators, Hybrid Storage Resources and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations must also submit an Operating Reserve Limit for each hour of the Day-Ahead Market to indicate the Energy that the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation reasonably expects it will be able to provide for at least one hour if its Operating Reserve schedule is converted to Energy.

4.2.1.4 Offers to Supply Energy from Self-Committed Fixed Generators and Aggregations

Self-Committed Fixed Generators and Aggregations shall provide the ISO with a schedule of their expected Energy output and withdrawals (when applicable) for each hour. Self-Committed Fixed Generators and Aggregations are responsible for ensuring that any hourly changes in output are consistent with their response rates. Self-Committed Fixed Generators and Aggregations shall also submit UOL_{NS}, UOL_{ES} and variable Energy Bids for possible use by the ISO in the event that RTD-CAM initiates a maximum generation pickup, as described in Section 4.4.3 of this ISO Services Tariff.

A Supplier may submit a Day-Ahead Market Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. When a Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation reflects both Energy supply and Energy withdrawals by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component of the Aggregation, the DER Aggregation's Bid shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying.

4.2.1.5 Bids to Supply Energy in Virtual Transactions

Customers submitting Bids to supply Energy in Virtual Transactions shall identify the Energy, in MW, available in the Day-Ahead Market (for every hour of the Dispatch Day) and the price(s) at which the Customer will voluntarily make it available.

4.2.1.6 Bids to Purchase Energy in Virtual Transactions

Customers submitting bids to purchase Energy in Virtual Transactions shall identify the Energy, in MW, to be purchased in the Day-Ahead Market (for every hour of the Dispatch Day) and the price(s) at which the Customer will voluntarily purchase it.

4.2.1.7 Bilateral Transactions

Transmission Customers requesting Bilateral Transaction schedules shall identify hourly Transaction quantities (in MW) by Point of Injection and Point of Withdrawal, minimum run times associated with Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service, if any, and shall provide other information (as described in ISO Procedures). A Generator can be the Point of Injection for a Bilateral Transaction. A Withdrawal-Eligible Generator can be the Point of Injection or the Point of Withdrawal for a Bilateral Transaction, but it cannot be both the Point of Injection and the Point of Withdrawal for the same Bilateral Transaction. An Aggregation containing one or more Withdrawal-Eligible Generators can be the Point of Injection or the Point of Withdrawal for a Bilateral Transaction, but it cannot be both the Point of Injection and the Point of Withdrawal for the same Bilateral Transaction. An Aggregation containing one or more Demand Side Resources shall not be the Point of Injection or the Point of Withdrawal for a Bilateral Transaction.

4.2.1.8 Bids to Purchase LBMP Energy in the Day-Ahead Market

Each purchaser shall submit Bids indicating the hourly quantity of Energy, in MW, that it will purchase from the Day-Ahead Market for each hour of the following Dispatch Day. These Bids shall indicate the quantities to be purchased by Point of Withdrawal. The Bids may identify prices at which the purchaser will voluntarily enter into the Transaction.

4.2.2 ISO Responsibility to Establish a Statewide Load Forecast

By 8 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is reasonably possible, the ISO will develop and publish its statewide Load forecast on the OASIS. The ISO will use this forecast to perform the SCUC for the Dispatch Day.

4.2.3 Security Constrained Unit Commitment (“SCUC”)

Subject to ISO Procedures and Good Utility Practice, the ISO will develop a SCUC schedule over the Dispatch Day using a computer algorithm which simultaneously minimizes the total Bid Production Cost of: (i) supplying Energy to satisfy accepted purchasers’ Bids to buy Energy from the Day-Ahead Market; (ii) providing sufficient Ancillary Services to support Energy purchased from the Day-Ahead Market consistent with the Regulation Service Demand curve and Operating Reserve Demand Curves set forth in Rate Schedules 3 and 4 respectively of this ISO Services Tariff; (iii) committing sufficient Capacity to meet the ISO’s Load forecast and provide associated Ancillary Services; and (iv) meeting Bilateral Transaction schedules submitted Day-Ahead excluding schedules of Bilateral Transactions with Trading Hubs or Withdrawal-Eligible Generators as their POWs.

The ISO shall compute all NYCA Interface Transfer Capabilities prior to scheduling Transmission Service Day-Ahead. The ISO shall run the SCUC utilizing the computed Transfer

Capabilities, submitted Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service requests, Load forecasts, and submitted Incremental Energy Bids, Decremental Bids and Sink Price Cap Bids.

The schedule will include commitment of sufficient Generators and/or Aggregations to provide for the safe and reliable operation of the NYS Power System. SCUC will treat Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, Hybrid Storage Resources, Energy Storage Resources, and Aggregations as already being committed and available to be scheduled. SCUC will account for the Operating Reserve Limit a Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation submits in determining its schedule. Pursuant to ISO Procedures, the ISO may schedule any Resource to run above its UOL_N up to the level of its UOL_E . In cases in which the sum of all Bilateral Schedules, excluding Bilateral Schedules for Transactions with Trading Hubs or Withdrawal-Eligible Generators as their POWs, and all Day-Ahead Market purchases to serve Load within the NYCA in the Day-Ahead schedule is less than the ISO's Day-Ahead forecast of Load, the ISO will commit Resources in addition to the Operating Reserves it normally maintains to enable it to respond to contingencies. The purpose of these additional resources is to ensure that sufficient Capacity is available to the ISO in real-time to enable it to meet its Load forecast (including associated Ancillary Services). In considering which additional Resources to schedule to meet the ISO's Load forecast, the ISO will evaluate unscheduled Imports, and will not schedule those Transactions if its evaluation determines the cost of those Transactions would effectively exceed a Bid Price cap in the hours in which the Energy provided by those Transactions is required. In addition to all Reliability Rules, the ISO shall consider the following information when developing the SCUC schedule: (i) Load forecasts; (ii) Ancillary Service requirements as determined by the ISO given the Regulation Service Demand Curve and Operating Reserve Demand Curves referenced above; (iii) Bilateral

Transaction schedules excluding Bilateral Schedules for Transactions with Trading Hubs or Withdrawal-Eligible Generators as their POWs; (iv) price Bids and operating Constraints submitted for Generators or for Aggregations; (v) price Bids for Ancillary Services; (vi) Decremental Bids and Sink Price Cap Bids for External Transactions; and (vii) Bids to purchase or sell Energy from or to the Day-Ahead Market. External Transactions with minimum run times greater than one hour will only be scheduled at the requested Bid for the full minimum run time. External Transactions with identical Bids and minimum run times greater than one hour will not be prorated. The SCUC schedule shall list the hourly injections and withdrawals for: (a) each Customer whose Bid the ISO accepts for the Dispatch Day; and (b) each Bilateral Transaction scheduled Day-Ahead excluding Bilateral Transactions with Trading Hubs or Withdrawal-Eligible Generators as their POWs.

In the development of its SCUC schedule, the ISO may commit and de-commit Generators and Aggregations, based upon any flexible Bids, including Minimum Generation Bids, Start-Up Bids, Curtailment Initiation Cost Bids, Energy, and Incremental Energy Bids and Decremental Bids received by the ISO provided however that for Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, the ISO will consider for dispatch only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit.

The ISO may disable the ISO-Managed Energy Level bid parameter that is ordinarily available to Energy Storage Resources if it determines that there is a significant risk that including the ISO-Managed Energy Level bid parameter in the SCUC evaluation could delay the completion and posting of the Day-Ahead Market beyond the 11:00 a.m. deadline specified in Section 4.2.5 of this Services Tariff. The ISO shall post a notice to its public website by 4:00 p.m. on the day before the Day-Ahead Market closes if it decides to disable the ISO-Managed

Energy Level bid parameter. The ISO-Managed Energy Level bid parameter shall remain disabled until the ISO posts a notice that complies with the notice requirement specified above reinstating the bid parameter's availability.

When the ISO-Managed Energy Level bid parameter is disabled, Bids that utilized the ISO-Managed Energy Level functionality that were submitted prior to the issuance of the ISO's notice will be rejected. The ISO will inform affected Suppliers, so that the Suppliers will have the opportunity to resubmit their Day-Ahead Market Bids using Self-Managed Energy Levels prior to the deadlines specified in Section 4.2.1.1 of the Services Tariff. Bids that utilize ISO-Managed Energy Levels will continue to be rejected until the ISO reinstates the ISO-Managed Energy Level bid parameter, following notice.

The ISO will select the least cost mix of Ancillary Services and Energy from Suppliers, and Customers submitting Virtual Transactions bids. The ISO may substitute higher quality Ancillary Services (*i.e.*, shorter response time) for lower quality Ancillary Services when doing so would result in an overall least bid cost solution. For example, 10-Minute Non-Synchronized Reserve may be substituted for 30-Minute Reserve if doing so would reduce the total bid cost of providing Energy and Ancillary Services.

4.2.3.1 Reliability Forecast for the Dispatch Day

At the request of a Transmission Owner to meet the reliability of its local system, the ISO may incorporate into the ISO's Security Constrained Unit Commitment constraints specified by the Transmission Owner.

A Transmission Owner may request commitment of certain Generators for a Dispatch Day if it determines that certain Generators are needed to meet the reliability of its local system. Such request shall be made before the Day-Ahead Market for that Dispatch Day has closed if the

Transmission Owner knows of the need to commit certain Generators before the Day-Ahead Market close. The ISO may commit one or more Generator(s) in the Day-Ahead Market for a Dispatch Day if it determines that the Generator(s) are needed to meet NYCA reliability requirements.

A Transmission Owner may request commitment of additional Generators and/or Aggregations for a Dispatch Day following the close of the Day-Ahead Market to meet changed or local system conditions for the Dispatch Day that may cause the Day-Ahead schedules for the Dispatch Day to be inadequate to ensure the reliability of its local system. A Transmission Owner that wishes to request the availability of a Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation to meet changed or local system conditions that may cause the Day-Ahead schedules for the Dispatch Day to be inadequate to ensure the reliability of its local system shall use the ISO's electronic portal to submit its request. The ISO will use SRE to fulfill a Transmission Owner's request for additional Resources.

All Generator and/or Aggregation commitments made in the Day-Ahead Market pursuant to this Section 4.2.3.1 shall be posted on the ISO website following the close of the Day-Ahead Market, in accordance with ISO procedures. In addition, the ISO shall post on its website a non-binding, advisory notification of a request, or any modifications thereto, made pursuant to this Section 4.2.3.1 in the Day-Ahead Market by a Transmission Owner to commit a Generator and/or Aggregation that is located within a Constrained Area, as defined in Attachment H of this Services Tariff. The advisory notification shall be provided upon receipt of the request and in accordance with ISO procedures. The postings described here may be included with the operator-initiated commitment report that the ISO posts in accordance with Section 4.1.3.4 of this Services Tariff.

After the Day-Ahead schedule is published, the ISO shall evaluate any events, including, but not limited to, the loss of significant Generators, Aggregations, or transmission facilities that may cause the Day-Ahead schedules to be inadequate to meet the Load or reliability requirements for the Dispatch Day.

Prior to the Capability Period beginning May 1, 2025, in order to meet Load or reliability requirements in response to such changed conditions the ISO may: (i) commit additional Resources, beyond those committed Day-Ahead, using a SRE and considering (a) Bids submitted to the ISO that were not previously accepted but were designated by the bidder as continuing to be available; or (b) new Bids from all Suppliers, including neighboring systems; or (ii) take the following actions: (a) after providing notice, require all Resources to run above their UOL_{NS}, up to the level of their UOL_{ES} (pursuant to ISO Procedures) and/or raise the UOL_{NS} of Capacity Limited Resources and Energy Limited Resources to their UOL_E levels, or (b) cancel or reschedule transmission facility maintenance outages when possible. Actions taken by the ISO in performing supplemental commitments will not change any financial commitments that resulted from the Day-Ahead Market.

Beginning with the Capability Period beginning May 1, 2025, in order to meet Load or reliability requirements in response to such changed conditions the ISO may: (i) commit additional Resources, beyond those committed Day-Ahead, using a SRE and considering (a) Bids submitted to the ISO that were not previously accepted but were designated by the bidder as continuing to be available; or (b) new Bids from all Suppliers, including neighboring systems; or (ii) take the following actions: (a) after providing notice, require all Resources to run above their UOL_{NS}, up to the level of their UOL_{ES} (pursuant to ISO Procedures) and/or raise the UOL_{NS} of Energy Limited Resources to their UOL_E levels, or (b) cancel or reschedule transmission facility

maintenance outages when possible. Actions taken by the ISO in performing supplemental commitments will not change any financial commitments that resulted from the Day-Ahead Market.

4.2.4 Reliability Forecast for the Six Days Following the Dispatch Day

In the SCUC program, system operation shall be optimized based on Bids over the Dispatch Day. However, to preserve system reliability, the ISO must ensure that there will be sufficient resources available to meet forecasted Load and reserve requirements over the seven (7)-day period that begins with the next Dispatch Day. The ISO will perform a Supplemental Resource Evaluation (“SRE”) for days two (2) through seven (7) of the commitment cycle. If it is determined that a long start-up time Generator (*i.e.*, a Generator that cannot be scheduled by SCUC to start up in time for the next Dispatch Day) is needed for reliability, the ISO shall accept a Bid from the Generator and the Generator will begin its start-up sequence. During each day of the start-up sequence, the ISO will perform an SRE to determine if long start-up time Generators will still be needed as previously forecasted. If at any time it is determined that the Generator will not be needed as previously forecasted, the ISO shall order the Generator to abort its start-up sequence.

The ISO will commit to long start-up time Generators to preserve reliability. However, the ISO will not commit resources with long start-up times to reduce the cost of meeting Loads that it expects to occur in days following the next Dispatch Day.

A Supplier that bids on behalf of a long start-up time Generator, including one that is committed and whose start is subsequently aborted by the ISO as described in this Section 4.2.4, may be eligible for a Bid Production Cost Guarantee pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.6.6

and Attachment C of this ISO Services Tariff. The costs of such a Bid Production Cost guarantee will be recovered by the ISO under Rate Schedule 1 of the ISO OATT.

The ISO shall perform the SRE as follows: (1) The ISO shall develop a forecast of daily system peak Load for days two (2) through seven (7) in this seven (7)-day period and add the appropriate reserve margin; (2) the ISO shall then forecast its available Generators for the day in question by summing the Operating Capacity for all Generators currently in operation that are available for the commitment cycle, the Operating Capacity of all other Generators capable of starting on subsequent days to be available on the day in question, and an estimate of the net Imports from External Bilateral Transactions; (3) if the forecasted peak Load plus reserves exceeds the ISO's forecast of available Generators for the day in question, then the ISO shall commit additional Generators capable of starting prior to the day in question (*e.g.*, start-up period of two (2) days when looking at day three (3)) to assure system reliability; (4) in choosing among Generators with comparable start-up periods, the ISO shall schedule Generators to minimize Minimum Generation Bid and Start-Up Bid costs of meeting forecasted peak Load plus Ancillary Services consistent with the Reliability Rules; (5) in determining the appropriate reserve margin for days two (2) through seven (7), the ISO will supplement the normal reserve requirements to allow for forced outages of the short start-up period units (*e.g.*, gas turbines) assumed to be operating at maximum output in the unit commitment analysis for reliability.

Energy Bids are binding for day one (1) only for units in operation or with start-up periods less than one (1) day. Minimum Generation Bids for Generators with start-up periods greater than one (1) day will be binding only for units that are committed by the ISO and only for the first day in which those units could produce Energy given their start-up periods. For example, Minimum Generation Bids for a Generator with a start-up period of two (2) days would

be binding only for day three (3) because, if that unit begins to start up at any time during day one (1), it would begin to produce Energy forty-eight (48) hours later on day three (3).

Similarly, the Minimum Generation Bids for a Generator with a start-up period of three (3) days would be binding only for day four (4).

4.2.5 Post the Day-Ahead Schedule

By 11 a.m. on the day prior to the Dispatch Day, the ISO shall close the Day-Ahead scheduling process and post on the Bid/Post System the Day-Ahead schedule for each entity that submits a Bid or Bilateral Transaction schedule. All schedules shall be considered proprietary, with the posting only visible to the appropriate scheduling Customer and Transmission Owners subject to the applicable Code of Conduct (See Attachment F to the ISO OATT). The ISO will post on the OASIS the statewide aggregate resources (Day-Ahead Energy schedules and total operating capability forecast), Day-Ahead scheduled Load, forecast Load for each Load Zone, and the Day-Ahead LBMP prices (including the Congestion Component and the Marginal Losses Component) for each Load Zone in each hour of the upcoming Dispatch Day. The ISO shall conduct the Day-Ahead Settlement based upon the Day-Ahead schedule determined in accordance with this section and Attachment B to this Services Tariff. The ISO will provide the Transmission Owner with the Load forecast (for seven (7) days) as well as the ISO security evaluation data to enable local area reliability to be assessed.

4.2.6 Day-Ahead LBMP Market Settlements

The ISO shall calculate the Day-Ahead LBMPs for each Load Zone and at each Generator bus and Transmission Node as described in Attachment B. Each Supplier that bids a Generator or Aggregation into the ISO Day-Ahead Market and is scheduled in the SCUC to sell or purchase Energy in the Day-Ahead Market will be settled at the product of: (a) the Day-

Ahead hourly LBMP at the applicable Generator bus or Transmission Node; and (b) the hourly Energy schedule. Each Supplier that bids an External Transaction into the Day-Ahead LBMP Market and is scheduled in the SCUC to sell Energy into the Day-Ahead LBMP Market will be settled at the product of (a) the Day-Ahead LBMP at the applicable Proxy Generator Bus and (b) the External Transaction schedule. Each Customer that bids into the Day-Ahead Market, including each Customer that submits a Bid for a Virtual Transaction, and has a schedule accepted by the ISO to purchase Energy in the Day-Ahead Market will pay the product of: (a) the Day-Ahead hourly Zonal LBMP at each Point of Withdrawal; and (b) the scheduled Energy at each Point of Withdrawal. Each Supplier that bids an External Transaction into the Day-Ahead LBMP Market and is scheduled in the SCUC to buy Energy from the Day-Ahead LBMP Market will pay the product of (a) the Day-Ahead LBMP at the applicable Proxy Generator Bus and (b) the External Transaction schedule. Each Customer that submits a Virtual Transaction bid into the ISO Day-Ahead Market and has a schedule accepted by the ISO to sell Energy in a Load Zone in the Day-Ahead Market will receive a payment equal to the product of (a) the Day-Ahead hourly zonal LBMP for that Load Zone; and (b) the hourly scheduled Energy for the Customer in that Load Zone. Each Trading Hub Energy Owner who bids a Bilateral Transaction into the Day-Ahead Market with a Trading Hub as its POI and has its schedule accepted by the ISO will pay the product of: (a) the Day-Ahead hourly zonal LBMP for the Load Zone associated with that Trading Hub; and (b) the Bilateral Transaction scheduled MW. Each Trading Hub Energy Owner who bids a Bilateral Transaction into the Day-Ahead Market with a Trading Hub as its POW and has its schedule accepted by the ISO will be paid the product of: (a) the Day-Ahead hourly zonal LBMP for the Load Zone associated with that Trading Hub; and (b) the Bilateral Transaction scheduled MW.

The ISO shall publish the Day-Ahead Settlement Load Zone LBMPs for each hour in the Dispatch Day.

4.4 Real-Time Markets and Schedules

4.4.1 Real-Time Commitment (“RTC”)

4.4.1.1 Overview

RTC will make binding unit commitment and de-commitment decisions for the periods beginning fifteen minutes (in the case of Resources that can respond in ten minutes) and thirty minutes (in the case of Resources that can respond in thirty minutes) after the scheduled posting time of each RTC run, will provide advisory commitment information for the remainder of the two and a half hour optimization period, and will produce binding schedules for External Transactions to begin at the start of each quarter hour. RTC will treat Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, Hybrid Storage Resources, Energy Storage Resources, and Aggregations as already being committed and available to be scheduled. RTC will co-optimize to solve simultaneously for all Load, Operating Reserves and Regulation Service and to minimize the total as-bid production costs over its optimization timeframe. RTC will consider SCUC’s Resource commitment for the day, load forecasts that RTC itself will produce each quarter hour, binding transmission constraints, and all Real-Time Bids and Bid parameters submitted pursuant to Section 4.4.1.2 below.

4.4.1.2 Bids and Other Requests

After the Day-Ahead schedule is published and before the close of the Real-Time Scheduling Window for each hour, Customers may submit Real-Time Bids into the Real-Time Market for real-time evaluation by providing all information required to permit real-time evaluation pursuant to ISO Procedures. If the Supplier elects to participate in the Real-Time Market, and is within a defined electrical boundary, electrically interconnected with, and routinely serves a Host Load (which Host Load does not exclusively consist of Station Power) at

a single PTID, it can only participate in the Real-Time Market as a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource. If a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource submits Bids into the Real-Time Market for real-time evaluation, such Bids shall provide the forecasted Host Load for each hour for which Bids are submitted.

An Energy Storage Resource shall indicate in its Real-Time Bids whether its Energy Level will be ISO- or Self-Managed. An Energy Storage Resource that elects to Self-Manage its Energy Level shall be responsible for managing its Energy Level through its Bids. An Energy Storage Resource, including an Energy Storage Resource that received a Day-Ahead Schedule, may change its Energy Level Management election for each operating hour in the Real-Time Market day.

A Supplier's Real-Time Market Self-Committed Flexible Bid for a DER Aggregation may include Energy withdrawals if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. A Supplier's Real-Time Market Bids for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy and to supply Energy shall be submitted in a single, continuous bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, that is being made available. When the Energy Bid for the DER Aggregation includes both Energy supply and Energy withdrawal by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component of the Aggregation, each point of the DER Aggregation's Bid curve shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying.

A Supplier may submit a Real-Time Market Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. When a Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation reflects both Energy supply and Energy withdrawals by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component

of the Aggregation, the DER Aggregation's Bid shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying. However, if the Monthly Net Benefit Threshold price is less than the LBMP, Demand Side Resources shall not be permitted to net Energy withdrawals of Withdrawal-Eligible Generators in the DER Aggregation.

Co-located Storage Resources can each offer all of their available capability into the Real-Time Market. RTC will account for the CSR Scheduling Limits in the schedules it determines for CSR Generators.

In addition to the parameters that Suppliers submit for Generators, ~~a~~Hybrid Storage Resources and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations must also submit an Operating Reserve Limit with their Real-Time Market Bids to indicate the Energy that the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation reasonably expects it will be able to provide for at least one hour if its Operating Reserve schedule is converted to Energy. ~~A~~Hybrid Storage Resources and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations ~~are~~ required to update ~~its~~their Operating Reserve Limits to reflect changes to the Hybrid Storage Resource's or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation's ability to provide Operating Reserves in real-time. After the Real-Time Scheduling Window closes, Operating Reserve Limit changes must be submitted via the ISO's electronic portal. Updates to the Operating Reserves Limit submitted using the electronic portal will not be permitted to increase or to exceed the Operating Reserve Limit that the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation submitted with its Real-Time Bid for the relevant Real-Time Market hour. When a Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation submits an updated Operating Reserve Limit via the ISO's electronic portal, it is required to concurrently submit an updated Upper Operating Limit if

the maximum output a Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation is capable of achieving is also affected.

After the Real-Time Scheduling Window closes, Hybrid Storage Resources and Aggregations will also be required to submit changes to their Upper Operating Limits and Lower Operating Limit using the ISO's electronic portal if updates are necessary to reflect the Hybrid Storage Resource's or Aggregation's actual capabilities. The revised Upper Operating Limits and Lower Operating Limit that a Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation submits using the electronic portal may not exceed the Upper Operating Limits or be less than the Lower Operating Limit that the Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation submitted with its Bid for the relevant Real-Time Market hour. Submission of an updated Upper Operating Limit may also require the submission of a corresponding updated Operating Reserve Limit for the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation if the Operating Reserve Limit is also affected.

If the ISO issues an Out-of-Merit dispatch instruction to a Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation, the Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation will be expected to fully comply with the instruction. Requests to change the Upper Operating Limits, Lower Operating Limit or Operating Reserve Limit while a Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation is subject to an Out-of-Merit instruction must be approved by the ISO and should only be effectuated by the Hybrid Storage Resource or Aggregation after the ISO issues a change to the Out-of-Merit instruction.

It is the responsibility of the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation to submit Operating Reserve Limit, Upper Operating Limit and Lower Operating Limit updates in advance so that the ISO uses accurate information to determine a Hybrid Storage Resource's or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation's Energy, Regulation Service

and Operating Reserve schedules. The risk associated with any delay between the time an updated Operating Reserve Limit, Upper Operating Limits or Lower Operating Limit is submitted and its implementation in the ISO's market software is the responsibility of the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation.

4.4.1.2.1 Real-Time Bids to Supply or Withdraw Energy and Supply Ancillary Services, other than External Transactions

Intermittent Power Resources and Aggregations that depend solely on wind or solar energy as their fuel submitting new or revised offers to supply Energy shall bid as ISO-Committed Flexible and shall submit a Minimum Generation Bid of zero MW and zero cost and a Start-Up Bid at zero cost.

Eligible Customers may submit new or revised Bids to supply or withdraw Energy, and to supply Operating Reserves and/or Regulation Service. Customers that submit such Bids may specify different Bid parameters in real-time than they did Day-Ahead.

A Hybrid Storage Resource may not submit a Lower Operating Limit that exceeds zero MW, or an Upper Operating Limit that is less than zero MW. DER Aggregations may submit a Self-Committed Fixed or Flexible Bid to inject Energy that includes a Lower Operating Limit that is equal to or greater than zero MW. Withdrawal-eligible DER Aggregations may submit a Self-Committed Fixed or Flexible Bid to withdraw Energy that includes a Normal Upper Operating Limit that is equal to or less than zero MW. Otherwise, DER Aggregations may not submit Bids that include a Lower Operating Limit that exceeds zero MW, or an Upper Operating Limit that is less than zero MW.

Hybrid Storage Resources' and Aggregations' obligations to submit and update their Operating Reserve Limit, Upper Operating Limits and Lower Operating Limit are addressed in Section 4.4.1.2, above.

Incremental Energy Bids, for portions of the Capacity of Resources that were scheduled in the Day-Ahead Market, and/or Start-Up Bids may be submitted by Suppliers bidding Resources using ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, and Self-Committed Flexible bid modes that exceed the Incremental Energy Bids or Start-Up Bids submitted in the Day-Ahead Market or the mitigated Day-Ahead Incremental Energy Bids or Start-Up Bids where appropriate, if not otherwise prohibited pursuant to other provisions of the tariff.

The ISO will use a Fast-Start Resource's single point Start-Up Bid if one is submitted (or the mitigated Bid, where appropriate). If a Fast-Start Resource does not submit a single point Start-Up Bid in real-time, the ISO will use the point on the Fast-Start Resource's multi-point Start-Up Bid curve (or its mitigated multi-point Start-Up Bid curve, where appropriate) that corresponds to the shortest specified down time.

Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids for any hour in which Resources received a Day-Ahead Energy schedule or a Regulation Service schedule, as appropriate, may not exceed the Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids, as appropriate, submitted for those Resources in the Day-Ahead Market. Provided however, a Fast-Start Resource that receives a Day-Ahead schedule may submit Minimum Generation Bids using ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, and Self-Committed Flexible bid modes that exceed the dollar component of the Bids submitted in the Day-Ahead Market, or the dollar component of the mitigated Day-Ahead Bids where appropriate, if not otherwise prohibited pursuant to other provisions of the tariff.

Additionally, Real-Time Minimum Run Qualified Gas Turbine Customers shall not increase their previously submitted Real-Time Incremental Energy Bids, Minimum Generation Bids, or Start-Up Bids within 135 minutes of the dispatch hour. Bids to supply Energy or Ancillary Services shall be subject to the rules set forth in Section 4.2.1 of this ISO Services Tariff. For Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, the ISO will consider only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit.

Suppliers bidding on behalf of Generators or Aggregations (except Aggregations comprised of only Intermittent Power Resources) that did not receive a Day-Ahead schedule for a given hour may offer their Generators or Aggregations, for those hours, using the ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Fixed bid mode or, with ISO approval, the ISO-Committed Fixed bid modes in real-time. For Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, the ISO will consider only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit. A Supplier bidding on behalf of a Generator or Aggregation that received a Day-Ahead schedule for a given hour may not change the bidding mode for that Generator or Aggregation for the Real-Time Market for that hour provided, however, that Generators or Aggregations that were scheduled Day-Ahead in Self-Committed Fixed mode may switch, with ISO approval, to ISO-Committed Fixed bidding mode in real-time. Generators or Aggregations that were scheduled Day-Ahead in ISO-Committed Fixed mode will be scheduled as Self-Committed Fixed in the Real-Time Market unless, with ISO approval, they change their bidding mode to ISO-Committed Fixed.

Co-located Storage Resources must each submit a CSR injection Scheduling Limit and a CSR withdrawal Scheduling Limit for each hour of the Real-Time Market to indicate the

expected capability of the relevant facilities. Resources that participate as CSR shall not submit Real-Time Market Bids that would self-commit either of the Generators, or both of the Generators together, to inject or to withdraw a quantity of Energy that exceeds an applicable CSR Scheduling Limit.

An Energy Storage Resource that, together with a Generator that submits a Minimum Generation Bid or is a Fixed Block Unit, participates as Co-located Storage Resources shall not submit Day-Ahead or Real-Time Market Bids that would self-commit the Energy Storage Resource to inject Energy such that the Generator's Minimum Generation (or full output for a Fixed Block Unit), plus the Energy Storage Resource's self schedule, exceeds the CSR injection Scheduling Limit.

When a Generator that submits a Minimum Generation Bid or that is a Fixed Block Unit participates as a Co-located Storage Resource, the ISO will treat the Generator as operating at its Minimum Generation Level (or full output for a Fixed Block Unit) for the purpose of scheduling the Energy Storage Resource whenever the Generator is scheduled, including during start-up and shut-down periods.

A Supplier's Real-Time Bids for an Energy Storage Resource or Hybrid Storage Resource to withdraw Energy and to inject Energy shall be submitted as a single, continuous bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, available for dispatch in the Real-Time Market.

Generators and Aggregations with a real time physical operating problem that makes it impossible for them: (a) to operate in the bidding mode in which the Generator or Aggregation was scheduled Day-Ahead; or (b) to provide all of the Energy or Ancillary Services offered in their Bids, or (c) to achieve or comply with applicable operating parameters or other requirements, shall notify the ISO. Hybrid Storage Resources and Aggregations are expected to

utilize the ISO's electronic portal to notify the ISO, whenever possible. Additionally, if the Host Load of a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource is greater in real-time than was forecasted Day-Ahead such that it cannot meet its Day-Ahead schedule, it must notify the ISO.

Generators and Aggregations may not submit separate Operating Reserves Availability Bids in real-time and will instead automatically be assigned a real-time Operating Reserves Availability Bid of zero for the amount of Operating Reserves they are capable of providing in light of their response rate (as determined under Rate Schedule 4). RTC and RTD will consider a Hybrid Storage Resource's or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation's Operating Reserve Limit when determining the amount of Operating Reserves the Hybrid Storage Resource or Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregation may be scheduled to provide. The Aggregator of an Operating-Reserve eligible Aggregation may elect to have the Aggregation provide any Operating Reserve product that at least one DER participating in the Aggregation is eligible to provide (Spinning Reserve, 10-Minute Non-Synchronized Reserve, or 30-Minute Reserve) for a given duration of enrollment. The quantity of Operating Reserves the Aggregation is able to provide shall be based on the combined capabilities of the participating DER that are eligible to provide the elected Operating Reserve product. An Aggregation that elects to provide Spinning Reserve or 10-Minute Non-Synchronized Reserve may be awarded reserves by the ISO to fulfill the 30-Minute Reserve Requirement. The Aggregator may change its Operating Reserve product election on a monthly basis by submitting a change to the ISO in advance, which is subject to ISO review.

4.4.1.2.2 Real-Time Bids Associated with Internal and External Bilateral Transactions

Customers may use Real-Time Bids to seek to modify Bilateral Transactions that were previously scheduled Day-Ahead or propose new Bilateral Transactions, including External

Transactions, for economic evaluation by RTC, provided however, that Bilateral Transactions with Trading Hubs as their POWs that were previously scheduled Day-Ahead may not be modified. Bids associated with Internal Bilateral Transactions shall be subject to the rules set forth above in Section 4.2.1.7.

Except as provided in this section, External Transaction Bids may not vary over the course of an hour. Each such Bid must offer to import, export or wheel the same amount of Energy at the same price at each point in time within that hour. At Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses the ISO shall permit the submission of Bids to import or export Energy that vary the amount of Energy, and vary the price, for each quarter hour evaluation period.

The ISO may vary External Transaction Schedules at Proxy Generator Buses that are authorized to schedule transactions on an intra-hour basis if the party submitting the Bid for such a Transaction elects to permit variable scheduling. The ISO may also vary External Transaction Schedules at CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Buses. External Transaction Bids submitted to import Energy from, or export Energy to Proxy Generator Buses that are authorized to schedule transactions on either an intra-hour or hourly basis shall indicate whether the ISO may vary schedules associated with those Bids within each hour. Transmission Customers scheduling External Bilateral Transactions shall also be subject to the provisions of Section 16, Attachment J of the ISO OATT.

4.4.1.2.3 Self-Commitment Requests

Self-Committed Flexible Resources must provide the ISO with schedules of their expected minimum operating points in quarter hour increments. Self-Committed Fixed Resources must provide their expected actual operating points in quarter hour increments or, with ISO approval, bid as an ISO-Committed Fixed Generator.

4.4.1.2.4 ISO-Committed Fixed

The ability to use the ISO-Committed Fixed bidding mode in the Real-Time Market shall be subject to ISO approval pursuant to procedures, which shall be published by the ISO.

Generators that have exclusively used the Self-Committed Fixed or ISO-Committed Fixed bid modes in the Day-Ahead Market or that do not have the communications systems, operational control mechanisms or hardware to be able to respond to five-minute dispatch basepoints are eligible to bid using the ISO-Committed Fixed bid mode in the Real-Time Market. Real-Time Bids by Generators using the ISO-Committed Fixed bid mode in the Real-Time Market shall provide variable Energy price Bids, consisting of up to eleven monotonically increasing, constant cost incremental Energy steps, Minimum Generation Bids, hourly Start-Up Bids and other information pursuant to ISO Procedures.

RTC shall schedule ISO-Committed Fixed Generators.

4.4.1.3 External Transaction Scheduling

RTC15 will schedule External Transactions on an hourly basis as part of its development of a co-optimized least-bid cost Real-Time Commitment. For External Transactions that are scheduled on a 15 minute basis, the amount of Energy scheduled to be imported, exported or wheeled in association with that External Transaction may change on the quarter hour. All RTC runs will schedule intra-hour External Transactions on a 15 minute basis at Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses. RTC will alert the ISO when it appears that scheduled External Transactions need to be reduced for reliability reasons but will not automatically Curtail them. Curtailment decisions will be made by the ISO, guided by the information that RTC provides, pursuant to the rules established by Attachment B of this ISO Services Tariff and the ISO

Procedures. External Bilateral Transaction schedules are also governed by the provisions of Section 16, Attachment J of the OATT.

4.4.1.4 Posting Commitment/De-Commitment and External Transaction Scheduling Decisions

Except as specifically noted in Section 4.4.2, 4.4.3 and 4.4.4 of this ISO Services Tariff, RTC will make all Resource commitment and de-commitment decisions. RTC will make all economic commitment/de-commitment decisions based upon available offers assuming Suppliers internal to the NYCA have a minimum run time of at least 15 minutes, but not longer than one hour; provided however, Real-Time Minimum Run Qualified Gas Turbines shall be assumed to have a two-hour minimum run time. For Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, RTC will consider only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit.

RTC will produce advisory commitment information and advisory real-time prices. RTC will make decisions and post information in a series of fifteen-minute "runs" which are described below.

RTC₁₅ will begin at the start of the first hour of the RTC co-optimization period and will post its commitment, de-commitment, and External Transaction scheduling decisions no later than fifteen minutes after the start of that hour. During the RTC₁₅ run, RTC will:

- (i) Commit Resources with 10-minute start-up times that should be synchronized by the time that the results of the next RTC run are posted so that they will be synchronized and running at their scheduled dispatch levels by that time;
- (ii) Commit Resources with 30-minute start-up times that should be synchronized by the time that the results of the RTC run following the next RTC run are posted so

that they will be synchronized and running at their scheduled dispatch levels by that time;

- (iii) De-commit Resources that should be disconnected from the network by the time that the results of the next RTC run are posted so that they will be disconnected by that time;
- (iv) Issue advisory commitment and de-commitment guidance for periods more than thirty minutes in the future and advisory dispatch information;
- (v) Schedule economic hourly External Transactions for the next hour;
- (vi) Schedule economic 15 minute External Transactions, for the quarter hour for which the results of the next RTC run are posted, at Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses other than a CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus;
- (vii) Schedule economic 15 minute External Transactions, for the quarter hour for which the results of the next RTC run are posted, at a CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus; and
- (viii) Schedule ISO-Committed Fixed Resources.

All subsequent RTC runs in the hour, *i.e.*, RTC₃₀, RTC₄₅, and RTC₀₀ will begin executing at fifteen minutes before their designated posting times (for example, RTC₃₀ will begin in the fifteenth minute of the hour), and will take the following steps:

- (i) Commit Resources with 10-minute start-up times that should be synchronized by the time that the results of the next RTC run are posted so that they will be synchronized and running at that time;

- (ii) Commit Resources with 30-minute start-up times that should be synchronized by the time that the results of the RTC run following the next RTC run are posted so that they will be synchronized and running at that time;
- (iii) De-commit Resources that should be disconnected from the network by the time that the results of the next RTC run are posted so that they will be disconnected at that time;
- (iv) Issue advisory commitment, de-commitment, and dispatching guidance for the period from thirty minutes in the future until the end of the RTC co-optimization period;
- (v) Either reaffirm that the External Transactions scheduled by previous RTC runs should continue to flow in the next hour, or inform the ISO that External Transactions may need to be reduced;
- (vi) Schedule economic 15 minute External Transactions, for the quarter hour for which the results of the next RTC run are posted, at Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses other than a CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus;
- (vii) Schedule economic 15 minute External Transactions, for the quarter hour for which the results of the next RTC run are posted, at a CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus; and
- (viii) Schedule ISO-Committed Fixed Resources.

4.4.1.5 External Transaction Settlements

Settlements for External Transactions in the LBMP Market are described in Sections 4.2.6 and 4.5 of this ISO Services Tariff. Settlements for External Bilateral Transactions are also described in Section 16, Attachment J and Rate Schedules 7 and 8 of the OATT.

The calculation of Real-Time LBMPs at Proxy Generator Buses and CTS Enabled Interfaces is described in Section 17, Attachment B to this ISO Services Tariff.

4.4.2 Real-Time Dispatch

4.4.2.1 Overview

The Real-Time Dispatch will make dispatching decisions, send Base Point Signals to Internal Generators and Aggregations, produce schedules for intra-hour External Transactions at Dynamically Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses, calculate Real-Time Market clearing prices for Energy, Operating Reserves, and Real-Time Market Prices for Regulation Service, and establish real-time schedules for those products on a five-minute basis, starting at the beginning of each hour. The Real-Time Dispatch will not make commitment decisions and will not consider start-up costs in any of its dispatching or pricing decisions, except as specifically provided in Section 4.4.2.4 below. In each interval, Real-Time Dispatch will review the Beginning Energy Level of each Energy Storage Resource and of each Aggregation comprised only of Energy Storage Resources.

Real-Time Dispatch will attempt to prevent dispatching a Self-Managed Energy Storage Resource or Aggregation composed only of Energy Storage Resources in a manner that would be infeasible based on its Beginning Energy Level. Instead, Real-Time dispatch will consider an Energy Storage Resource's or Aggregation Composed of only Energy Storage Resources' Beginning Energy Level in developing a schedule for the binding interval. An Energy Storage Resource's Beginning Energy Level will be used to ensure that Operating Reserves scheduled from the Resource can be sustained for one hour if the Operating Reserves are converted to Energy. The Real-Time Dispatch will account for the CSR Scheduling Limits in the schedules and dispatch instructions it issues to CSR Generators.

Each Real-Time Dispatch run will co-optimize to solve simultaneously for Load, Operating Reserves, and Regulation Service and to minimize the total cost of production over its bid optimization horizon (which may be fifty, fifty-five, or sixty minutes long depending on where the run falls in the hour.) In addition to producing a binding schedule for the next five minutes, each Real-Time Dispatch run will produce advisory schedules for the remaining four time steps of its bid-optimization horizon (which may be five, ten, or fifteen minutes long depending on where the run falls in the hour). An advisory schedule may become binding in the absence of a subsequent Real-Time Dispatch run. RTD will use the most recent system information and the same set of Bids and constraints that are considered by RTC.

4.4.2.2 External Transaction Scheduling

All RTD runs will schedule External Transactions on a 5 minute basis at Dynamically Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses. For External Transactions that are scheduled on a 5 minute basis, the amount of Energy scheduled to be imported, exported or wheeled in association with that External Transaction may change every 5 minutes. External Bilateral Transaction Schedules are also governed by the provisions of Attachment J of the OATT.

4.4.2.3 Calculating Real-Time Market LBMPs and Advisory Prices

RTD shall calculate *ex ante* Real-Time LBMPs at each Generator bus, Transmission Node, and for each Load Zone in each RTD cycle, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Attachment B to this ISO Services Tariff. RTD will also calculate and post advisory Real-Time LBMPs for the next four quarter hours in accordance with the procedures set forth in Attachment B.

4.4.2.4 Real-Time Pricing Rules for Scheduling Ten Minute Resources

RTD may commit and dispatch, for pricing purposes, Resources capable of starting and meeting Minimum Generation Levels within ten minutes (“eligible Resources”) when necessary to meet load. Eligible Resources committed and dispatched by RTD for pricing purposes may be physically started through normal ISO operating processes. In the RTD cycle in which RTD commits and dispatches an eligible Resource, RTD will consider the Resource’s start-up and incremental energy costs and will assume the Resource has a zero downward response rate for purposes of calculating *ex ante* Real-Time LBMPs pursuant to Section 17, Attachment B to this ISO Services Tariff.

4.4.2.5 Post the Real-Time Schedule

Subsequent to the close of the Real-Time Scheduling Window, the ISO shall post the real-time schedule for each entity that submits a Bid or Bilateral Transaction schedule. All schedules shall be considered proprietary, with the posting only visible to the appropriate scheduling Customer, Transmission Customer and Transmission Owners subject to the applicable Code of Conduct (See Attachment F to the ISO OATT). The ISO will post on the OASIS the real-time Load for each Load Zone, and the Real-Time LBMP prices (including the Congestion Component and the Marginal Losses Component) for each Load Zone for each hour of the Dispatch Day. The ISO shall conduct the real-time settlement based upon the real-time schedule determined in accordance with this Section.

4.4.3 Real-Time Dispatch - Corrective Action Mode

When the ISO needs to respond to system conditions that were not anticipated by RTC or the regular Real-Time Dispatch, *e.g.*, the unexpected loss of a major Generator or Transmission line, it will activate the specialized RTD-CAM program. RTD-CAM runs will be nominally

either five or ten minutes long, as is described below. Unlike the Real-Time Dispatch, RTD-CAM will have the ability to commit certain Resources, and schedule intra-hour External Transactions at Dynamically Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses. When RTD-CAM is activated, the ISO will have discretion to implement various measures to restore normal operating conditions. These RTD-CAM measures are described below.

The ISO shall have discretion to determine which specific RTD-CAM mode should be activated in particular situations. In addition, RTD-CAM may require Resources to run above their UOL_{NS} , up to the level of their UOL_{ES} as is described in the ISO Procedures. Self-Committed Fixed Resources will not be expected to move in response to RTD-CAM Base Point Signals except when a maximum generation pickup is activated.

Except as expressly noted in this section, RTD-CAM will dispatch the system in the same manner as the normal Real-Time Dispatch.

4.4.3.1 RTD-CAM Modes

4.4.3.1.1 Reserve Pickup

The ISO will enter this RTD-CAM mode when necessary to re-establish schedules when large area control errors occur. When in this mode, RTD-CAM will send 10-minute Base Point Signals and produce schedules for the next ten minutes. RTD-CAM may also commit, or if necessary de-commit, Resources capable of starting or stopping within 10-minutes. The ISO will continue to optimize for Energy and Operating Reserves, will recognize locational Operating Reserve requirements and Scarcity Reserve Requirements, but will set all Regulation Service schedules to zero. If Resources are committed or de-committed in this RTD-CAM mode the schedules for them will be passed to RTC and the Real-Time Dispatch for their next execution.

Resources that are eligible to provide Operating Reserves and that are available to the ISO for dispatch in real-time are required to be able to meet the energy sustainability requirements set forth in applicable NERC, NPCC and/or NYSRC reliability requirements. When the ISO enters a reserve pickup RTD-CAM mode it will determine sustainable Energy schedules for Energy Storage Resources that are eligible to provide Operating Reserves and that are available to the ISO for dispatch based on their telemetered state of charge.

Hybrid Storage Resources and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations are required to notify the NYISO of limitations affecting their ability to provide Operating Reserves by timely submitting and updating Operating Reserve Limits.

The ISO will have discretion to classify a reserve pickup as a “large event” or a “small event.” In a small event the ISO will have discretion to reduce Base Point Signals in order to reduce transmission line loadings. The ISO will not ordinarily have this discretion in large events, except that it may determine Energy schedules that satisfy Operating Reserve energy sustainability requirements for Energy Storage Resources, ~~and~~ Hybrid Storage Resources, and Operating Reserves-eligible Aggregations. The distinction also has significance with respect to a Supplier’s eligibility to receive Bid Production Cost guarantee payment in accordance with Section 4.6.6 and Attachment C of this ISO Services Tariff.

4.4.3.1.2 Maximum Generation Pickup

The ISO will enter this RTD-CAM mode when an Emergency makes it necessary to maximize Energy production in one or more location(s), i.e., Long Island, New York City, Southeastern New York, East of Central East and/or NYCA-wide. RTD-CAM will produce schedules directing all Generators and Aggregations located in a targeted location to increase production at their emergency response rate up to their UOL_E level and to stay at that level until

instructed otherwise. Security constraints will be obeyed to the extent possible. The ISO will continue to optimize for Energy and Operating Reserves, will recognize locational Operating Reserve requirements and Scarcity Reserve Requirements, but will set all Regulation Service schedules to zero.

4.4.3.1.3 Base Points ASAP -- No Commitments

The ISO will enter this RTD-CAM mode when changed circumstances make it necessary to issue an updated set of Base Point Signals. Examples of changed circumstances that could necessitate taking this step include correcting line, contingency, or transfer overloads and/or voltage problems caused by unexpected system events. When operating in this mode, RTD-CAM will produce schedules and Base Point Signals for the next five minutes but will only redispatch Generators and Aggregations that are capable of responding within five minutes. RTD-CAM will not commit or de-commit Resources in this mode.

4.4.3.1.4 Base Points ASAP -- Commit As Needed

This operating mode is identical to Base Points ASAP – No Commitments, except that it also allows the ISO to commit Generators that are capable of starting within 10 minutes when doing so is necessary to respond to changed system conditions.

4.4.3.1.5 Re-Sequencing Mode

When the ISO is ready to de-activate RTD-CAM, it will often need to transition back to normal Real-Time Dispatch operation. In this mode, RTD-CAM will calculate normal five-minute Base Point Signals and establish five minute schedules. Unlike the normal RTD-Dispatch, however, RTD-CAM will only look ahead 10-minutes. RTD-CAM re-sequencing will

terminate as soon as the normal Real-Time Dispatch software is reactivated and is ready to produce Base Point signals for its entire optimization period.

4.4.3.2 Calculating Real-Time LBMPs

When RTD-CAM is activated, RTD shall calculate *ex ante* Real-Time LBMPs at each Generator bus, Transmission Node, and for each Load Zone in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 17, Attachment B of this ISO Services Tariff.

4.4.4 Identifying the Pricing and Scheduling Rules That Apply to External Transactions

LBMPs will be determined and External Transactions will be scheduled at external Proxy Generator Buses consistent with the table below.

Proxy Generator Bus	PTID	Scheduled Line	Designated Scheduled Line	Non-Competitive	CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus		Scheduling Frequencies		
					Requires CTS Bids	Permits CTS Bids	Hourly Scheduled	Variably Scheduled	Dynamically Scheduled (Not Presently Available)
Hydro Quebec									
HQ_GEN_IMPORT	323601			✓			✓	✓	
HQ_LOAD_EXPORT	355639			✓			✓	✓	
HQ_GEN_CEDARS_PROXY	323590	Dennison Scheduled Line		✓			✓		
HQ_LOAD_CEDARS_PROXY	355586	Dennison Scheduled Line		✓			✓		
HQ_GEN_WHEEL	23651			✓			✓		
HQ_LOAD_WHEEL	55856			✓			✓		
PJM									
PJM_GEN_KEYSTONE	24065					✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_LOAD_KEYSTONE	55857					✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_GEN_NEPTUNE_PROXY	323594	Neptune Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_LOAD_NEPTUNE_PROXY	355615	Neptune Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_GEN_VFT_PROXY	323633	Linden VFT Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_LOAD_VFT_PROXY	355723	Linden VFT Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
PJM_HTP_GEN	323702	HTP Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	

Proxy Generator Bus	PTID	Scheduled Line	Designated Scheduled Line	Non-Competitive	CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Bus		Scheduling Frequencies		
					Requires CTS Bids	Permits CTS Bids	Hourly Scheduled	Variably Scheduled	Dynamically Scheduled (Not Presently Available)
HUDSONTP_345KV_HTP_LOAD	355839	HTP Scheduled Line	✓			✓	✓* (See Notes)	✓	
ISO New England									
N.E._GEN_SANDY_POND	24062				✓		✓** (See Notes)	✓	
NE_LOAD_SANDY_PD	55858				✓		✓** (See Notes)	✓	
NPX_GEN_CSC	323557	Cross Sound Scheduled Line	✓				✓		
NPX_LOAD_CSC	355535	Cross Sound Scheduled Line	✓				✓		
NPX_GEN_1385_PROXY	323591	Northport Norwalk Scheduled Line					✓		
NPX_LOAD_1385_PROXY	355589	Northport Norwalk Scheduled Line					✓		
Ontario									
OH GEN PROXY	24063						✓		
OH LOAD PROXY	55859						✓		

Notes:

* At specifically identified Proxy Generator Buses (“* See Notes”), only Wheels Through (the NYCA) are scheduled on an hourly basis.

** At specifically identified Proxy Generator Buses (“** See Notes”), only wheels through the NYCA or a neighboring Control Area are scheduled on an hourly basis.

Pricing rules for Proxy Generator Buses are set forth in Section 17 of the Services Tariff.

The ISO may offer a more frequent scheduling option at a Proxy Generator Bus identified on the table. The ISO shall inform its Market Participants of the availability of such an option by providing notice at least two weeks in advance of the implementation of any such change. At the same time, the ISO shall update the above table to reflect the change in scheduling options by submitting a compliance filing in FERC Docket No. ER11-2547. Unless FERC acts on the ISO's compliance filing, the ISO shall effectuate the change in scheduling capability on the date it proposed in its compliance filing. The addition of new Proxy Generator Buses to the table, or changing the pricing rules that apply at a Proxy Generator Bus, may not be accomplished by submitting a compliance filing in Docket No. ER11-2547. The ISO may revert to establishing hourly Import and Export schedules using all available External Transaction Bids at a Proxy Generator Bus that is identified as a Dynamically or Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Bus when the ISO or a neighboring Balancing Authority is not able to implement schedules as expected, or when necessary to ensure or preserve system reliability. When it reverts to hourly Import and Export schedules at a Dynamically or Variably Scheduled Proxy Generator Bus, the ISO shall apply the pricing rules for a corresponding Proxy Generator Bus that is not Dynamically Scheduled or Variably Scheduled. The ISO may cease evaluating CTS Interface Bids at CTS Enabled Proxy Generator Buses when the ISO or a neighboring Balancing Authority is not able to implement schedules as expected, or when necessary to ensure or preserve system reliability.