31.6 Other Provisions

31.6.1 The Commission's Role in Dispute Resolution

Disputes directly relating to the ISO's compliance with its tariffs that are not resolved in the internal ISO collaborative governance appeals process or ISO dispute resolution process, and all disputes relating to matters that fall within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission, shall be reviewed at the Commission pursuant to the Federal Power Act if such review is sought by any party to the dispute. The NYPSC or any party to a dispute regarding matters over which both the NYPSC and the Commission have jurisdiction and responsibility for action may submit a request to the Commission for a joint or concurrent hearing to resolve the dispute.

31.6.2 Non-Jurisdictional Entities

LIPA's and NYPA's participation in the CSPP shall in no way be considered to be a waiver of their non-jurisdictional status pursuant to Section 201(f) of the Federal Power Act, including with respect to the Commission's exercise of the Federal Power Act's general ratemaking authority.

31.6.3 Tax Exempt Financing Provisions

Con Edison, NYPA and LIPA shall not be required to construct, or cause to construct, a transmission facility identified through the ISO Rreliability pPlanning pProcess if such construction would result in the loss of tax-exempt status of any tax-exempt bond issued by Con Edison, NYPA or LIPA, or impair their ability to secure future tax-exempt financing.

31.6.4 Rights of Incumbent Transmission Owners

Nothing in this Attachment Y affects the right of an incumbent Transmission Owner to:

(1) build, own, and recover costs for upgrades to the facilities it owns, regardless of whether the

upgrade has been selected in the regional transmission plan for purposes of cost allocation; (2) retain, modify, or transfer rights-of-way subject to relevant law or regulation granting such rights-of-way; or (3) develop a local transmission solution that is not eligible for regional cost allocation to meet its reliability needs or service obligations in its own service territory or footprint.

31.6.5 Compliance with Reliability Requirements

All entities developing an approved project pursuant to the provisions in this Attachment Y must register with NERC, and NPCC for appropriate reliability functions and must comply with all applicable Reliability Criteria.

31.6.6 Interregional Planning Coordination

31.6.6.1 The Northeastern ISO/RTO Planning Coordination Protocol

The ISO will coordinate the transmission system planning activities for the NYCA described in this Attachment Y through the Northeastern ISO/RTO Planning Coordination Protocol. This protocol describes the committee structure, processes and procedures through which system planning activities are openly and transparently coordinated by the ISOs and RTOs of the northeastern United States and eastern Canada. The activities covered by the protocol are to be conducted in coordination with the Regional Reliability Councils of the northeastern United States and eastern Canada. The primary purpose of the protocol is to contribute, through transparent, coordinated planning based on consistent assumptions and data, to the on-going reliability and the enhanced operational and economic performance of the parties to the protocol. To accomplish this, the parties will coordinate the evaluation of tariff provided services, such as generation interconnection, to recognize the impacts that result across the different systems. The parties will also produce, on a periodic basis, a Northeastern Coordinated System Plan that

integrates the system plans of the parties and includes upgrade projects jointly identified by the parties to enhance the coordinated performance of their systems.