NORTHEAST JOINT BOARD FOR ECONOMIC DISPATCH
MEETING AGENDA
The Colonnade Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts
November 29, 2005
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

FERC Commissioner Nora Mead Brownell, Chair
Massachusetts DTE Chairman Paul Afonso, Vice Chair
New York PSC Chairman Bill Flynn, Vice Chair

• Opening Remarks by chair and vice chairs

• Presentation: economic dispatch overview
  William Meroney, Office of Market Oversight and Investigations

  o Definition of economic dispatch; why it’s important; issues

• Presentation: DOE Report summary
  David Meyer, Deputy Division Director, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, U.S. Department of Energy

• Panels: Regional Transmission Organizations

  To address:
  ❖ What are the benefits and costs of SCED, compared to the previous system used for dispatch, or to other potential alternatives? What specific benefits has SCED offered? Can you quantify these benefits, and, if so, please do so.
  ❖ What lessons did you learn in implementing SCED? In particular, were there unanticipated benefits or costs that should be kept in mind when considering changes or improvements to the current SCED?
  ❖ How does the operation of SCED relate to the operation of the regional market? How would a market operate in your region without SCED?
  ❖ What effect has SCED had on the reliability of the electric system in your region? Can you quantify the effect, and, if so, please do so.
  ❖ What effect has SCED had on the cost of electric energy in your region, after adjusting for input costs such as fuel? Can you quantify the effect, and, if so, please do so.
  ❖ How can RTO’s SCED resources be more optimally dispatched?
Panelists:
Mark Lynch, President and CEO, New York Independent System Operator
Gordon van Welie, President and CEO, ISO New England

  • Question and answer session

• Lunch Break

• Panel: Stakeholders
  To address:
    o Current application of economic dispatch in region (what quantitative and qualitative benefits have been realized, what lessons have been learned, what noteworthy improvements have been made)
    o Possible improvements to current economic dispatch practices (what weaknesses currently exist that should be a high priority for improving, what improvements have been requested that the RTOs have not addressed, if you could start from scratch, how should economic dispatch be facilitated in your region)
    o How does economic dispatch affect the markets – spot, day-ahead, bilaterals
    o Further consolidation of economic dispatch by integrating the two NY and NE dispatch systems into one system

Panelists:
Daniel W. Allegretti, Vice President Regulatory and Legislative Affairs, Constellation
Richard Bolbrock, Vice President – Power Markets, Long Island Power Authority
Kevin Burke, President and Chief Executive Officer, ConEdison
Michael Calviou, Vice President, Transmission Commercial and Regulatory, National Grid
Steve Corneli, Vice President, Regulatory and Governmental Affairs, NRG Energy
Doug Horan, Senior Vice President, Strategy, Law and Policy, NStar
Edward N. Krapels, PhD, Director, ESAI Gas and Power Services, (on behalf of Neptune)
Robert M. Loughney, Couch, White, Brenner, Howard & Feigenbaum
Tom Rudebusch, Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer and Pembrkoe PC
(On Behalf of the NY Association of Public Power)
Donald Sipe, Attorney, Preti Flaherty Beliveau Pachios & Haley LLC (representing the Industrial Energy Consumer Group)

  • Question and answer session

• Afternoon Break

• Discussion among board members of issues and objectives to be addressed in joint board report

• Closing remarks by chair and vice chairs
Participating Board and Staff Members:

Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control:
Commissioner Jack R. Goldberg

Maine Public Utilities Commission:
Chairman Kurt Adams
Staff: Tom Austin

Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy:
Chairman Paul G. Afonso (Board Member)
Commissioner James Connelly
Commissioner Robert Keating
Commissioner Brian Golden
Commissioner Judith F. Judson
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New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission:
Chairman Thomas B. Getz
Staff: Amy Ignatius

New York State Public Service Commission:
Chairman William M. Flynn
Staff: John Reese
David Flanagan
Raj Adepalli
Tom Painter
Diane Barney

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission:
Chairman Elia Germani

Vermont Public Service board:
Chairman James Volz
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Hans Mertens, Vermont DPS