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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think we'll go ahead and
3 get started, still waiting on Rich Miller and Dr. Sasson
4 from ConEd to get here, but they are going to be here in
5 about 15 minutes. Just a few housekeeping matters. We are
6 not going to be taking questions from the phone, I hope
7 everyone on the phone can hear me, until the second portion
8 of the conference, after the break titled "Technical
9 Discussion," and during the technical discussion we are
10 going to start with questions from Commission Staff and get
11 those answered and then open it up to anyone who has
12 questions.

13 It's on the schedule from 12:30 to 1:00, but if
14 we are moving quickly I think we'll probably get
15 there before 12:30. Next I was going to introduce the
16 people at the table. From NYISO we have Emilie Nelson,
17 Rana Mukerji and Henry Chao. Then we have Pallas
18 LeeVanSchaick from Potomac Economics; from Central Hudson
19 we have John Borchert and Ting Chan.

20 From Long Island Power Authority we have David
21 Clarke and David Yaffe. And we also have Michael Mager
22 from Multiple Intervenors.

23 And from FERC Staff, I'm Jesse Hensley from the
24 Office of Energy Markets Regulations, Adria Woods, also
25 from the Office of Energy Market Regulations, David Mead

1 from the Office of Energy Policy and Innovation, Randy
2 Johanning from the Office of Electric Reliability, and a
3 couple other folks sitting along the wall there.

4 Just to frame the discussion, a few comments
5 about the purpose of the tech conference. As you all know,
6 on August 13, 2013, in Docket No. ER13-1380, the Commission
7 accepted NYISO's proposal to create a new capacity zone
8 comprised of Load Zones G through J; however, some parties
9 argued that Zone K, Long Island, should be added to the new
10 capacity zone, either without condition or as an
11 export-restrained zone. The Commission's August order
12 declined to do so, but directed Staff to hold this tech
13 conference to explore the concept of modeling Zone K as an
14 export-constrained load zone in the next demand curve reset
15 proceeding.

16 Modeling Zone K as an export-constrained zone
17 would allow at least part of the local capacity requirement
18 in the new capacity zone to be met with resources located
19 in Zone K as an alternative to resources located in Zones
20 G-J. This approach may be desirable only if at least some
21 capacity additions in Zone K can provide a reliability
22 benefit to Zones G-J.

23 Staff intends for the discussion today to shed
24 light on the extent of its reliability benefit and, if the
25 benefit is sufficient to justify nesting Zone K within the

1 new capacity zone.

2 Okay, with that I think I will turn it over to
3 NYISO for their presentation.

4 MR. STALTER: Just a few opening remarks if we
5 could. Good morning everyone, I'm Ray Stalter, Director of
6 Regulatory Affairs for the NYISO. We just really wanted to
7 take a moment to thank the Commission and Commission staff
8 for organizing today's conference, and wanted to also thank
9 the panelists and attendees for joining us today as well.

10 Just briefly introduce the team that is going to
11 be speaking today and go through the presentation, speaking
12 first will be Henry Chao. Henry is the VP for System and
13 Resource Planning for the NYISO. He is going to walk
14 through the boundary determinations process.

15 Next will be Emilie Nelson, who is the VP of
16 Market Operations, and she will walk through the capacity
17 auctions administration process. And finally, Rana Mukerji
18 who is our Senior VP for Market Structures, and he is going
19 to walk us through the design considerations and market
20 implementation.

21 So with that, I'll turn it to Henry. If folks
22 need copies of the presentation that we are walking
23 through, there's copies here and I have copies here as
24 well.

25 DR. CHAO: Again, my name is Henry Chao, and I'm

1 going to kick off the conversation today on the NYISO side.
2 So basically I'm going to focus on the technical study that
3 is behind the setting of the boundaries of the new capacity
4 zone.

5 So my presentation again is basically organized
6 in three groups. One is a few slides to give you the
7 background, basically tells you that the criteria we used
8 and what New York's power system looks like, and then the
9 specific studies we performed to determine the boundaries,
10 and then in the last couple slides we are going to show you
11 once the boundaries are defined how the locational capacity
12 was reserved requirements, the new capacity zone is
13 determined. So I'll pause before I switch from one topic
14 to another.

15 So by way of introduction, I'm on slide
16 number 4, so the background of New York. The New York
17 system has been designed according to the NPCC and the NERC
18 as well as the New York State Reliability Council
19 reliability criteria. So specifically for the resource
20 adequacy it has to meet the one day in ten-year loss of
21 load expectation criteria. In other words, the system has
22 to be designed to be subject to the risk of loss of load of
23 not more than, or less than one day in ten years.

24 So that has been the criteria for us, and the
25 orders of New York's system over the last 20, 30 years,

1 probably even longer than that.

2 So in order to meet the risk of adequacy
3 criteria we needed two things. We needed generation
4 resources as well as demand response in the various
5 locations, and then you need the transmission that can
6 securely deliver those capacities from generation of
7 capacity resources to the load. So you needed two things,
8 sufficient capacity resources, and then secure transmission
9 system that brings the load to the generation.

10 Again, as the background, so the New York system
11 as of today, at least for the year 2013-2014, the New York
12 system has studied and has requirements set such that all
13 the load-serving entities are required to purchase
14 117 percent of its load for the whole state, we'll call it
15 the New York control area, and then because of transmission
16 limitations, specifically in the load center in New York
17 City and Long Island. So we have a specific locational
18 requirement.

19 So in addition to the 117 percent that's the
20 locational LSE's need to purchase, you also are required to
21 purchase 85 percent, I guess 86 percent for 2013/2014 for
22 New York City from those capacities located in Zone J, New
23 York City, and 105 percent from Long Island, Zone K
24 locally.

25 So again, for example for the load serving

1 entity in Zone J it has two requirements; one, to meet
2 locational purchases from local resources, 86 percent, and
3 secondly; the ultimate purchase of the rest, because the
4 rest is 117 percent. So there are two criteria --

5 MR. MEAD: Could I just ask one detailed
6 question? With regard to the Long Island 105 percent
7 criteria, can any of that be met with resources imported
8 through the crosstown cable or any other underground wire?

9 DR. CHAO: Only through those controllable
10 circuits such as crosstown cable.

11 MR. MEAD: Okay. So resources across the
12 crosstown cable would count towards the 105 percent?

13 DR. CHAO: Let me be specific. In Long Island
14 there are two cables connecting to New England, and one
15 circuit connecting to, controllable circuit to PJM, and
16 also two 138 kV circuits connecting to Zone J. The
17 capacity that is from New England and PJM can sell to Long
18 Island of its capacity if it is local, through the HUD
19 crosstown cable, and then that's through the HUD circuit.

20 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Just housekeeping, if you are
21 going to ask a question, please identify yourself and where
22 you're from.

23 MR. MEAD: I'm David Mead, FERC.

24 DR. CHAO: Okay. So slide 5. Further as a
25 background, I mentioned reliability standard criteria, so

1 this is kind of just for your information, so when we study
2 the system, reliability study, we typically have two
3 criteria to meet, one is from the resource adequacy, we
4 call it adequacy criteria, and then another one is
5 security, typically the transmission system security.

6 The adequacy basically is to make sure that we
7 can deliver aggregate of the resources to the aggregated
8 load through a secure transmission system. And the
9 security basically requires us to satisfy the various NERC,
10 NPCC, as well as NYSRC's transmission standard to make sure
11 that the system can deliver the transmission requirement
12 under certain required contingency, basically we call it
13 N-1, sometimes we call it N-1-1. I'll go into detail later
14 on to describe the details of the steps.

15 So we have these two criteria, once again,
16 adequacy and transmission security, and I hope that those
17 are the typical standards that not only for us but also
18 other entities in the country also use those reliability
19 criteria.

20 Again, people could also view this one as
21 adequacy, ultimately people can satisfy using the various
22 tools that analyze this. What we do in New York is we use
23 the probabilistic simulation software called MARS, it's by
24 the General Electric, the study system based on the
25 probability of loss of load expectation, LOLE, and again,

1 on the transmission security with analyzing the system per
2 NERC, NPCC transmission standards.

3 Next slide, slide 6. So slide 6 is, the bubble
4 on the right hand side of the slide gives you an overview
5 of what New York's system is. Actually, it's kind of
6 depicted as what the New York looks like, starting from
7 Zone A, which is the Buffalo area, west of New York, all
8 the way to central part of New York, that's Zone C, and
9 then capital area, Albany, where I came from, where the New
10 York ISO is, that's Zone F, then New York City is Zone J,
11 and Long Island is Zone K.

12 So you can see that the system, we have actually
13 depicted this system basically is to represent the system
14 by 11 load zones, and then connecting those load zones with
15 transmission, and those transmissions were studied with
16 transfer capabilities in both directions. So the purpose
17 of that, the multiple system, is that we can study the
18 system such as it takes factoring the transmission
19 limitation as well as resource limitation per zone and as a
20 whole per system, we call New York Control Area, NYCA.

21 A moment ago I mentioned the number 117 percent
22 for statewide, that's the NYCA. For specific load Zones J
23 and K, those are the locational requirements. The whole
24 reason is because the limitation from the transmission that
25 could deliver, if this would reach zones such as Zone A,

1 Zone C and Zone B, were bottled.

2 Also on the chart you see something called UPNY,
3 that's for upstate New York, to Southeast New York, SENY,
4 that interface has been lately showing, the last four or
5 five years, probably even longer, that the most
6 funding-limited transmission constraints. So as I said,
7 the resource rich Zones are A, C and D, those are on the
8 north side of that UPNY/SENY interface.

9 So obvious question here is that when you have
10 the Zones GHIJ and K on the constraint side, we need to
11 find new capacity on that obviously would be a candidate.
12 So when we decide what to do with, what Zone, A -- I mean G
13 through K will be part of the new capacity zone, with the
14 similar token, when you have UPNY/SENY constraints we needs
15 to include all of these bubbles, G through K. Then we look
16 at all those five, do we see an internal constraint south
17 of UPNY/SENY, i.e., we should look at whether the current
18 localities J and K should be part of the new zone, if there
19 is transmission limitation between GHI and J or GHI and K.
20 So that basically would be the focus of the technical
21 studies.

22 So the next few slides we are going to show you
23 how we perform this technical analysis to show where the
24 system today can afford such a kind of transmission
25 constraint free, such that it advocates that bubble, J-K

1 should be included if there is transmission limitations,
2 the bubble such as K may not be a good candidate to be part
3 of the new zone.

4 So slide No. 7. So in order perform this
5 analysis basically to decide whether between J and K,
6 Zone J and Zone K, which one provides the four reliability
7 benefits by including the new zones? So it performed two
8 studies, I mean two aspects of studies. One, again, is
9 the resource adequate, as we said. Another one is
10 transmission security, to make sure that these two criteria
11 are fully met, all along after the new capacity zone.

12 So more specifically, when we performed resource
13 adequacy, we are trying to look at when the system is at
14 criteria, in other words system is not that long close to
15 the criteria, everybody needs the 117 percent for other
16 zones, except for G and K, in addition, they also meet the
17 requirement of locational specifics such as 86 percent for
18 J and 105 for K.

19 So when all the resources are kind of
20 distributed this way, let's look at for the new zones, if
21 you can freely move the capacity in the various locations,
22 and then that capacity can be freely delivered to serve the
23 load in the new zone. So that's one test for the resource
24 adequacy.

25 And also try to look at further, if somewhat,

1 somehow some zones can add a lot of new capacity into it,
2 so basically the system is going to be much better than the
3 criteria, which is one day in ten years, what would be with
4 reliability improvement that case. So that's one aspect of
5 the test.

6 Another test is, again, we test transmission
7 security to see under the transmission security analysis
8 sort of deterministic approach, when we see where
9 transmission or generation accumulation of transmission
10 security type of, you know, the disservices or
11 contingencies happen, whether we will have enough capacity
12 to be able to dispatch a run to mitigate those
13 transmission violations under those contingency conditions.
14 So those are the two tasks I'm going to go through very
15 slowly, one at a time.

16 So, slide No. 8. Once again, the primary test
17 for the resource adequacy is performed based on the system
18 near or at criteria means that you are not very much rich,
19 in other words higher than the requirements. So system is
20 at fund one, NYCA. And when that comes we try to move the
21 resources, we call it relocate, just as if there is a
22 retirement in J but is there a retirement in G through I or
23 vice versa, is retirement generation in G through I with
24 capacity added or in Zone J, can help the retirement that
25 caused the problem in G through I. And we did this

1 basically two, set up two tests, one is GHI to J, another
2 one is relocate GHI capacity to Zone K.

3 And the slide, actually let me just jump a
4 little bit, slides No. 9 and 10 actually shows the tests,
5 but before I move to slides 9 and 10 I just want to make
6 sure we understand this. So we did this when the system is
7 near criteria, and also we did it as reflected in slide 11,
8 we did do sort of somehow you could add a lot of capacity
9 in either J and K, to see what overall Zone G through I
10 LOLE improvement would be. So let me walk you through
11 slowly on slides 9, 10 and 11, those slides numbers.

12 Those slide lines show that when you relocate
13 the generation to say resource from GHI to J. So the way
14 you look at the chart is the horizontal access shows how
15 much megawatts you can do this, basically remove again
16 generation from fictitious request, I was kidding
17 internally, I said it air lifted, so it's not really
18 physically, but assume that's the case. I mean physically
19 it could be one met by retirement in GHI, and the same time
20 there is addition of one megawatt in J. So that horizontal
21 access shows that kind of megawatt movement.

22 The vertical access shows the system at a
23 criteria of LOLE. So, anything lower than one to 21 means
24 that the system is better. The perfect system of course is
25 LOLE equal to zero, right, and anything higher than .1,

1 that means that you have the risk of adequacy criterion
2 violation.

3 So you can see that the blue curve looks pretty
4 straight, in other words it doesn't matter how much
5 megawatt you remove from G through I, it carries the system
6 at better or near or at least better than .1 until it gets
7 to a point on 5800 megawatts. The reference point G
8 through I capacity, as we are speaking, is close to 4500
9 megawatts. So basically we can afford losing all the
10 capacity in G through I as long as we have the same amount
11 of capacity added to J. So that's what this chart shows.

12 And similarly, I would like to ask you to move
13 to slide 10, that is you do a similar task, under same
14 conditions, but switch J to K. And you can see that very
15 quickly as you move 300 megawatt the system started
16 violating the resource adequacy criteria.

17 MR. MEAD: Could I ask another question? If I
18 heard you right, in GHI currently there are 4500 megawatts
19 of capacity. Why is the graph on page 9 going beyond 4500
20 megawatts?

21 DR. CHAO: Good question, Dave. As a matter of
22 fact, when we did it we just couldn't believe this is the
23 case, so we fictitiously increased load in G through I, and
24 decreased load in J, similarly net capacity of the load to
25 see how much we are going to drive the LOLE to violation

1 point. So we did it by another 1400 megawatts, or 1300
2 something. So that probably fully proves that through of
3 the adequacy of sufficiency of this test, just to make sure
4 that capacity wise the transmission can fully support such
5 a capacity movement, including net load movement.

6 So I'm on slide 10. So slide 10, again, if you
7 do the similar test, you will find that after you move 300
8 megawatts from G through I and put them in K, you see a
9 violation.

10 So just to give you a sense of what 300 megawatt
11 is, so I said it's close to 4500 megawatt in G through I as
12 a resource capacity, so 300 is about 7 percent of that. So
13 in other words, only 7 percent is fungible in a way to GHI
14 and K.

15 So that gives you sort of a sense of when the
16 system is close or at criteria, this is how much you can
17 move the capacity around, or how in terms of reliability.

18 Then we also sort of looked at systems
19 completely to the other end. Assuming you add a lot of
20 megawatts in J or K, one at a time, and just look at
21 whether you can drive the loss of load expectation index,
22 basically the reliability measure for GHI to zero, to a
23 perfect system. As we all know when you add capacity to a
24 system without retirement, you definitely have a better
25 reliability; right? So I hope that's common sense.

1 So when we add thousands and thousands of
2 megawatts into Zone J and we find that the curve on this
3 slide 11, left-hand side of the curve, you see that curve
4 asymptotically approaches zero. And we skip 3500
5 megawatt, in other words, we just add 35 brand new
6 generation in Zone J, the GHI reliability approaches to
7 perfect reliability, that is zero for LOLE. So that means
8 that anything after J can help the whole larger region in
9 Zones GHI and J.

10 Then you do the same thing again for K, and you
11 add the same amount of 3500 megawatts, you find that it
12 actually also improves the reliability, but it stops. No
13 matter actually in this test, we are at 6000, but just for
14 comparison we stopped at 35. So it asymptotically
15 stopped at .01, in other words, certain capacity that no
16 matter how much you added, will be trapped, will not be
17 able to combine or to help GHI reliability needs.

18 MR. MEAD: One more, David Mead again. With
19 regard to the left hand graph dealing with adding
20 incremental capacity to the load Zone J; this the LOLE or
21 NYCA as a whole; is that right?

22 DR. CHAO: For GHI, and just for the three
23 loads.

24 MR. MEAD: Oh, I see. It says nothing about
25 NYCA, LOLE for NYCA as a whole, or what is going on --

1 DR. CHAO: That would be better, better as well.

2 MR. MEAD: My question was going to be, at this
3 point I would presume that GHI with this extra 3500
4 megawatts might become an exporter to upstate?

5 DR. CHAO: It could be.

6 MR. MEAD: My question was going to be, is there
7 enough transmission capacity to realize all of these
8 reliability benefits? But I guess, since the LOLE only
9 deals with the SENY part of NYCA, you don't need to, that's
10 not an issue here?

11 DR. CHAO: Well, first of all, David, this is a
12 really good question. I want to reinforce the concept.
13 NYCA in our model, the way we look at the system as well as
14 in the market, goes over 11 zones. You could see all the
15 10 zones have a perfect LOLE, but if there is one zone that
16 has violations then NYCA is violated, so we have to fix
17 that. So that's the issue.

18 So even though that GHIJ is perfect on this
19 chart, it still could mean somewhere else may have a
20 violation, that's why we want a model that has studied the
21 generation transmission effect of all 11 zones all
22 together, and the one gives you that statewide or NYCA wide
23 requirement, as well as gives you the locational
24 requirement. You cannot afford to do one thing at a time,
25 the mismatch often means you to miss something, so that's

1 really a good question.

2 In our system that we do have a transmission
3 limitation in other places, because when you have a
4 transmission limitation you may not be able to fill the
5 capacity that you need of this one of 11 zones.

6 The probability simulation statistically gives
7 you up to so many simulations, ISO studied 1000 to
8 1500 drawers in what we call a Monte Carlo simulation, it
9 comes up statistically, kind of adds them up. So that
10 probably gives you a lot of sort of scenarios of that
11 generation originating upstate, in other words, then there
12 is another they are downstate. We do see that when you
13 have say a lot of generation upstate and in the meantime it
14 coincides with upstate, then you could see some, under that
15 scenario some capacity come out from downstate to help
16 upstate.

17 MR. MEAD: Thank you.

18 DR. CHAO: So as a summary of slide 12, that it
19 clearly shows that Zone J can serve GHI, in other words,
20 all capacity in GHI can be reallocated to Zone J, and still
21 can flow by, if you will, to help GHI, versus Zone K, but
22 you will find that it's limited, as the chart on slide 10
23 shows, that limitation is about 300 megawatts.

24 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I have a question, Jesse
25 Hensley from FERC. If I understand it right, initially in

1 2013 in the stakeholder process Zone K was to be included
2 in the new zone. And so I guess I'm wondering, given your
3 analysis, what changed and why was K suddenly out of the
4 new zone?

5 DR. CHAO: Well, again, we had in the stability
6 process we took other inputs and presented these
7 three active areas of transmission in one more study, which
8 I will get to. So we analyzed the two, as the way I put
9 it, one is close to criteria or at criteria, versus you
10 just add a lot of capacity, so it depends on where you see
11 this benefit of adding capacity.

12 What is more reality is that how close that 3500
13 megawatts you can just add without seeing any retirement.
14 So that gets you to this first, what we call the primary
15 test. The primary test is really to help you that when the
16 system is close to being at criteria, or added criteria or
17 not that much surplus, then can you really afford, you
18 know, to see the capacity retirement or addition at a
19 different location without violating the reliability?

20 Again, the purpose of the new capacity zone is
21 to create a signal for new capacity to come in. If the new
22 capacity says keep the demand cycles at 500 megawatt, you
23 start with the 500 megawatt, would it be able to solve that
24 resource adequacy need, you put it on Zone K, it cannot
25 help, you put it on Zone J, it does, you put it on GHI, it

1 does. So that is the so-called relocatable piece of this
2 actually governs the kind of dominant, we call it primary
3 test.

4 And additionally to that fact is that we also
5 look at the transmission security, because in addition to
6 resource adequacy in the day-to-day operation what is the
7 transmission limitation, which I'm going to get to that.

8 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: If I could ask a followup, I
9 think it was in your testimony you referenced a fungibility
10 test; is that the primary only?

11 DR. CHAO: The primary. Fungibility actually
12 assumes that it's equivalent to interchangeable or
13 relocatable. I used the word in this slide, I was worried
14 that people understand the fungibility word itself.
15 Actually, if you Google it, the word fungibility is not
16 even English, because whether the capacity is fungible, all
17 right, whether the capacity between GHI and J are
18 relocatable. So that's how they are interchangeable.

19 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Are either the primary or
20 initial analysis you did, are either of those codified in
21 the tariff in any place?

22 DR. CHAO: I'm sorry?

23 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: The test that you are
24 running, is this located in the tariff in any place?

25 DR. CHAO: Located in -- I'm not quite sure what

1 you are --

2 MS. KAVANAH: This is Gloria Kavanah with the
3 NYISO. The tariff, it's in Section 516, I believe, of the
4 services tariff. It does not specify the exact tests that
5 are to be performed, but it does provide the parameters for
6 the NYISO to use its judgment in making the determinations
7 for the zone boundaries.

8 DR. CHAO: Thank you, Gloria. In a way the
9 tariff actually used the study coming out from New York
10 State Reliability Council, shows a reserve margin which I
11 alluded to at the beginning 117 percent, and also tariff
12 required New York ISO to study corresponding to that
13 reserve margin what are the locational requirements, at
14 least before the new capacities in J and K. So, we were
15 basically using the same tool, same concept, for that
16 purpose, so in that case, yes, we used the same process and
17 procedures.

18 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Okay, thank you.

19 MR. JOHANNING: John Johanning, FERC. When you
20 were simulating the relocating, did you scale generation or
21 load, did you compare them?

22 DR. CHAO: We scaled load.

23 MR. JOHANNING: Load.

24 DR. CHAO: But in a way, the difference --
25 that's a good question, first of all, not many people

1 understand this. Generation, you know, is equivalent to
2 forced outage rates, so load is sort of equivalent to the
3 perfect, means that equally is equal to zero, we see that
4 as more of equivalent measure, otherwise what generation,
5 arguably performance and GHI could be better than
6 generation performance in K, so what is to be used? So,
7 again, what is a similar process as has been clearly
8 described in the New York Reliability Council Procedures
9 policy.

10 Okay, slide 13, that's the second aspect. We
11 look at risk of adequacy, look at system under various
12 conditions, outage conditions of whether it is load or what
13 have you, what would be the extreme conditions system still
14 can meet the loss of load expectation criteria? But in the
15 day-to-day operation you do need to worry whether the
16 transmission that's being distributed, you know, well, such
17 that the existing transmission can deliver the capacity to
18 the load.

19 So in that aspect we basically followed the
20 NPCC/NERC and also NYC criteria to look at a system that is
21 typically in a designed peak condition, and look at
22 transfer capability under N-1, means that system has one
23 facility, loss of facility. In New York it is quite
24 stringent, it could be multiple facilities as long as there
25 is a common cause, say for example, common tower, stock

1 breaker.

2 Also we look at operation wise, we will call it
3 N-1-1 continuous analysis, which means that under that N-1
4 when you have, when you are running the system, when you
5 see a FERC contingency, you are allowed per the standard
6 within 30 minutes to re-dispatch the generation and restore
7 the system, restate the system back to the normal
8 conditions to be ready for the next contingency.

9 So when you perform that kind of very
10 exhaustive test, and this is for G through K and G through
11 J, hypothetically of the new zone. And if look at whether
12 you have enough capacity that it affords you to re-dispatch
13 them such as transmission security criteria.

14 So for that we, slides number 14 and 15
15 summarizes the result of N-1 and N-1-1 results, so slide 14
16 summarizes the N-1, the first contingency, and under that
17 contingency what will be a normal and also emergency
18 transfer limit. So specifically from K to Zone GHI and J,
19 the total transfer capability in N-1 normal conditions is
20 233 megawatts.

21 Under emergency conditions means that 15 minutes
22 rating of the transmission facilities, transformers, what
23 have you, is the 344 megawatts.

24 MR. MEAD: David Mead, just so I understand,
25 this 233 megawatt transfer limit, is this true, that under

1 normal conditions if Long Island has enough generation to
2 meet all of its own internal load, and had enough surplus
3 to export to the rest of the SENY area, the maximum amount
4 of exports would be under normal conditions 233 megawatts?

5 DR. CHAO: Right, that's correct, G through J.

6 MR. MEAD: Okay, thanks.

7 DR. CHAO: Again, here we assume that, because
8 the way, if you will go back to slide 6, the K actually
9 connects to the rest of the system to Zone J as well as
10 Zone I. So that's why in this study if you look at Zone K
11 provides for the rest of New York, so you have GHI and J,
12 so that limits your 233 under normal operating conditions.
13 Again, this could be under FERC minus one, FERC
14 contingency, as well as normal 24 hour rating.

15 So slide No. 15, we analyze a deeper, another
16 layer of contingency. In other words, when you have a
17 system that is losing one facility, one element of
18 transmission or generation or transformer, and that
19 condition means that operators will be able to re-dispatch
20 within 30 minutes to restore the system to the normal
21 level, in other words, everything is flowing at the
22 24 hours rating.

23 And then for contingency conditions under N-1
24 that is a four-hour rating. So under that condition you
25 are allowed to re-dispatch to put everything under normal,

1 so that the system can run another 24 hours. Under that
2 condition the system is subject to another second minus
3 one. So under that condition we should make sure there is
4 no violation to the post-contingency, under
5 post-contingency condition there is no violation to the
6 four hours rating or 24 hours rating for certain
7 facilities.

8 In that case we found that we are short of
9 capacity to dispatch, which is not too surprising to me,
10 because GHIJ and K are south of UPNY/SENY, that is in
11 general, are short of capacity. So we have a lot of
12 limitations to move things around.

13 And then we look at also specifically under
14 these conditions, whether K can provide much needed
15 capacity under these conditions, and we find it's very,
16 very limited, sometimes less than 233, means you do not
17 even have generation that will be able to flow back, even
18 though you have 233 megawatts under those conditions.

19 So the N-1-1 slide to summarize that, the system
20 is very limited, not only by transmission but also by
21 resources, in this case specifically generation, that will
22 allow you to do re-dispatch to mitigate post-contingency
23 violations.

24 So, slide 16 kind of summarizes the two aspects
25 of the test. One is resource adequacy, one is transmission

1 security. Now, we put all these numbers together you
2 probably can see that first of all the conclusion is very
3 simple, J is fully fungible in terms of capacity. Then
4 under transmission security, where security conditions that
5 you probably do not have enough capacity to begin with, let
6 alone that relying on much less support from K.

7 So this, I kind of, that's kind of led us to
8 believe that K is not the right candidate to provide
9 the price signal for people to relocate capacity, to help
10 the GHI and J reliability. So the conclusion is that K is
11 not included as a nested zone within the locality of GHI
12 and J.

13 So I pause here for a second. This kind of
14 concludes the technical background of what is behind in
15 this new capacity zone boundary determination. So next I'm
16 going to switch to -- actually, I'm going to use two slides
17 to describe what we do, what did we do to determine the
18 locational requirements for this new locality, locality GHI
19 and J?

20 So basically the concept here is that when we
21 define the new requirements we want to make sure we have
22 internal consistency with current RM settings, LCR settings
23 for the interface, RM settings for the NYCA. So that is
24 the thought and that has been the practice, because
25 otherwise the process itself that we have so far today, not

1 only from the New York ISO but also from the New York
2 Reliability Council's perspective, the whole process.

3 So, follow that same process, we basically
4 layered the new boundary under that construct, and then
5 further determine the new capacity zone, LCR.

6 So, basically the graphics on the slide 17 shows
7 that you have I and J are existing, and the new capacity
8 zone that encompasses with the GHI and J, and then what we
9 are trying to do is layering that GHI and J boundary on top
10 of J, and of course localities of GHI.

11 And slide number 18 describes very specific
12 steps which are seen, and I don't want to go through this
13 in much detail. The very high level, the sixth bullet is
14 very specific process that describes currently under New
15 York State Reliability Consult Policy 5 process, there is a
16 methodology called a unified approach. The unified
17 approach gives you a good point, because you can match
18 various IRM's with different LCR requirements, so there is
19 different pairs of it.

20 So there this methodology describes at what
21 point, the point sort of is in the middle of the curve at
22 the Tan 45, Tangent 45, so that curve gives you the split
23 between upstate and downstate requirements. Basically it's
24 a locational requirement of J and K versus the systemwide
25 NYCA requirements of IRM.

1 So basically we layer this new boundary under
2 Tan 45 conditions, that actually is the second bullet, so
3 from that second bullet we layer that boundary in the new,
4 for the new capacity zone on top of it, and then we started
5 to determine what capacity, minimum together, GHI and J
6 need to have.

7 So in this case we will have after it, J and K
8 are determined, which is current process, we also determine
9 on top of that what would be GHI and J's LCR would be, so
10 that would conclude that process as well as concluding my
11 presentation.

12 MR. MEAD: One more question, David Mead again
13 from FERC staff. At the end of this Tan 45 process what,
14 or if you know, what is the LOLE that results just from the
15 SENY zones and what is the separate LOLE for the UPNY zone?

16 DR. CHAO: Actually, that's a good question
17 again. All the points on that curve, the Tan 45 curve, Tan
18 45 points, actually as well as the Tan 45 points, is that
19 the LOLE is at .1, one day in ten years. So let me finish,
20 let me get there. Yes, there is a small movement in terms
21 of LOLE that are always better than .1; right, because
22 aggregate they have to be at one.

23 MR. MEAD: Yes.

24 DR. CHAO: So in theory they could be a little
25 bit about better. So the slight movement, particularly

1 when we strike this Tan 45 point, is that every system is
2 run at best close to .1, but not too much.

3 So there is sort of a trade-off between upstate
4 and downstate zones, without fully utilizing the
5 transmission, that's not good, with over subscription of
6 the transmission it could also stress the system. So
7 the nature of Tan 45, there is a lot of material in that
8 regard, actually from 2007 to I guess, to 2009, three years
9 in a row of that study, analyzed what that point is.

10 So to answer your question in short, the R runs
11 .1, for both the upstate zone and downstate zone.

12 MR. MEAD: Well, if the two zones, if their loss
13 of loads, are not very highly correlated, then if you had a
14 one outage in ten years in upstate and one outage in ten
15 years downstate, you would have two outages in ten years,
16 and that would violate your LOLE criteria.

17 So I would have thought that unless the loss of
18 load expectation is very highly correlated upstate and
19 downstate, that the LOLE's for the two big zones, upstate
20 and downstate, would each be significantly better than .1.

21 DR. CHAO: The scenario that you describe could
22 happen, say for example, if there is a heat wave like we
23 just experienced this summer, it could be statewide heat
24 wave that could lead you to that conclusion, but again, the
25 model not only models generation outages and also an

1 independent event, and also under certain conditions, you
2 could see that, downstate has a lot of capacity, all of a
3 sudden, you know, as we said, to help upstate's
4 requirements.

5 The issue here is that this is not just an
6 event, if this event happened it would happen way less than
7 frequent of one day in ten years. So that event could
8 happen in those thousands and thousand of Monte Carlo
9 simulations, but that event would happen much less
10 frequently than the criteria.

11 MR. MEAD: Thanks.

12 DR. CHAO: That concludes, Jesse, my piece.

13 MS. NELSON: Thanks, good morning, my name is
14 Emilie Nelson, and I expect this will be background for
15 many of you but we did think that it would be helpful to
16 review sort of the current structure of the capacity
17 auctions, before handing it over to Rana who will be
18 contemplating what might happen going forward.

19 So starting on slide 20 just to level set
20 everyone, the capability the year that we reviewed for the
21 capacity auctions runs for the summer from May to October,
22 and for the winter from November through April. And we
23 look at NYCA ICAP requirements which are then translated
24 into an unforced capacity obligation based off of the
25 application and performance factors, and that determines

1 each LSE's obligation in terms of UCAP.

2 Load serving entities satisfy their UCAP
3 requirements through a variety of ways. They can self
4 supply, they can establish bilateral transactions from
5 other suppliers, and then they can also establish forward
6 positions in the capability period and monthly auctions,
7 and all of those activities can really occur prior to
8 running the spot, where when you get to the spot auction,
9 what you are trying to evaluate is making sure that the
10 full UCAP obligations for the LSE's have been met.

11 There is a process described of certification in
12 which we are really trying to establish a mechanism to
13 determine the capacity that's available to be offered in
14 the spot, and then to determine the positions that need to
15 be balanced in that final spot auction run that happens
16 each month. Specific to the spot auction, demand curves
17 are used to translate into UCAP terms and determine the
18 final price. Okay?

19 So we are going into a little more detail, it's
20 still pretty high level on the capacity auctions on the
21 next slide. Again, we have the capability period auctions
22 where we are awarding bids and offers in this auction and
23 it's used to establish a single price for the entire six
24 months capability period.

25 We also then have the monthly auction where

1 participants may buy or sell for the upcoming obligation
2 month and any other remaining months in the capability
3 period.

4 And then lastly of course, the spot market
5 auction where there are offers to sell for the upcoming
6 obligation month only, and then we are using demand curves
7 to satisfy all the remaining UCAP purchase requirements for
8 the next obligation months.

9 MR. MEAD: David Mead from FERC again, a quick
10 question. The capacity that's procured in the strip
11 auction and the monthly auctions, how do they get treated
12 for the spot auction, are they sort of bid in at a zero
13 price or are they treated in some other manner?

14 MS. NELSON: You are right, they are
15 establishing that that aspect has already been filled and I
16 believe that they are bid in at a zero price.

17 MR. MEAD: Do the entities that hold the rights
18 to the capacity that is procured in either the capability
19 strip auction or monthly auction; do they have the
20 opportunity to bid a positive price?

21 MS. NELSON: No, when you go through the
22 capability period auctions and the monthly auctions, that's
23 where you are matching up the bids and offers as
24 the participants want to establish.

25 MS. KAVANAH: This is Gloria Kavanah, just to

1 add to Emilie's response, when people participate in the
2 capability period and the monthly auctions, when they are
3 offering capacity they are not identifying the specific
4 resource. So right before the spot market auction opens we
5 have a process called certification where if somebody has
6 cleared megawatts of capacity they can identify what the
7 particular resource it is as they are going to use to
8 satisfy that obligation.

9 So then that's the way we can make sure that
10 that capacity isn't double counted in the spot market, and
11 we also know on the load side, that we have confirmed that
12 the load is being satisfied from a particular resource.

13 MS. NELSON: Thanks, Gloria.

14 For today's discussion I think one of the
15 important things to cover is on slide 22, reviewing the
16 pricing hierarchy rules. You know, we have some equations
17 at the top of this slide really describing the nesting of
18 the pricing, and then also the visual below. You know,
19 really the point is that Long Island is considered to be
20 nested within NYCA, so fundamentally, the Long Island price
21 ultimately should be either greater than or equal to the
22 final NYCA price.

23 And then when you look at the relationship
24 between New York City, Lower Hudson Valley and NYCA, New
25 York City should also be greater than or equal to Lower

1 Hudson Valley, and then the Lower Hudson Valley area will
2 be set greater than or equal to NYCA.

3 So when you consider the action outcomes from
4 the capability in the strip where you are matching up the
5 bid and offers to determine what the marginal clearing
6 price is, then when you move into the spot auction and you
7 are considering the demand curve and facilitating the UCAP
8 obligation to determine what the price is, what you are
9 ultimately going to do is sort of overlay these hierarchy
10 rules to make sure that you have the outcomes described.
11 Okay?

12 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Emilie, I have a question.

13 MS. NELSON: Sure.

14 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: The earlier presentation was
15 about resource adequacy. As I understand it there is no
16 economic analysis done of what would happen, for example,
17 if you added those 233 megawatts in terms of capacity
18 clearing prices; is that right?

19 MS. NELSON: That's right. So I want to make
20 sure I understand your question, Jesse, from the
21 perspective of, if your were to add 233 megawatts into a
22 particular zone, let's say for today's discussion to Zone
23 K, your question is in particular would that be --

24 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: When determining whether or
25 not to include a zone or not, make it nested, NYISO does

1 not use any kind of an economic analysis of pricing
2 impacts?

3 MS. NELSON: That's right, they use the
4 reliability review that Henry described.

5 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Thank you.

6 MS. NELSON: Sure. Then lastly, I have already
7 described this to a certain extent, you have an example of
8 sort of the structure of the demand curve on slide 23, and
9 you would establish demand curves for each of the
10 localities, Long Island, New York City and going forward
11 for Lower Hudson Valley, as well as for NYCA, to ultimately
12 determine a preliminary price, and then you are going to
13 review the nesting logic to establish the final price
14 coming out of the spot auction.

15 MR. MEAD: This is David Mead from FERC staff
16 again. Do I understand the mechanics of the demand curve
17 process, there are -- there is a demand curve for NYCA and
18 each local zone?

19 MS. NELSON: Correct.

20 MR. MEAD: And is this correct that any capacity
21 that is procured in the spot auction for an
22 import-constrained zone, Zone K or Zone J, or I suppose at
23 this point even the G-J locality.

24 MS. NELSON: The Hudson Valley, yes.

25 MR. MEAD: That capacity will be procured at

1 whatever the applicable clearing prices for that locality,
2 but then it is then taken and effectively bid in at zero in
3 the NYCA auction?

4 MS. NELSON: That's correct. So to further your
5 example, David, if you had some excess megawatts available
6 after you established -- oh, I'm sorry. So to further your
7 example, David, if you had excess megawatts available after
8 meeting the Long Island obligation, those megawatts would
9 be considered for NYCA, and they would be considered at a
10 zero offer value.

11 MR. MEAD: Thanks.

12 MS. NELSON: Okay. And I think I've made up
13 some time, I'm going to pass it over to Rana.

14 MS. MUKERJI: Thanks, Emily. I have the
15 distinct privilege of setting the stage for the discussion
16 to follow as to what is in the realm of possibility.

17 So, Dr. Chao and Emilie described what we do and
18 why we do what we do, and I think we are here to see
19 whether we could do things differently, and specifically
20 whether K or other zones could be modeled in an
21 export-constrained fashion and then be cleared also.

22 So what I would say is that the answer whether
23 we could model K or other zones in the export-constrained
24 manner is yes. What we really have to very carefully think
25 through the implications and the wisdom of doing that.

1 Just let me elaborate a little bit on that. I'll refer to
2 Dr. Chao's slide, slide 6, it shows 11 zones, 11 bubbles
3 which are the 11 load zones in New York, so that's the
4 reality of the system.

5 New York has 11 load zones, each of them are
6 export-constrained to a greater or larger extent, and they
7 all 11 comprise to form NYCA. And we do this, and the IRM,
8 which is the basis of how much we procure in the capacity
9 market is based on a probabilistic Monte Carlo
10 simulation based on the GE MARS model.

11 So by definition, since every load zone, the
12 failure to reach one day in 10 in any load zone gives a
13 failure in NYCA, every zone is part of NYCA. And the
14 probabilistic simulations which test the IRM, which sets
15 how much we procure in the capacity market, is based on the
16 premise that all zones lean on each other. So it is by
17 definition, and through the probabilistic simulation, all
18 the zones are part of NYCA.

19 Now, you have to also understand that when you
20 run the auction it's a deterministic process. Now with
21 that said, then Dr. Chao also showed that the transfer
22 capabilities between K to, you know, to the slides 9 and
23 10, where he says how much are from K can go to GHI, the
24 new capacity zone, and how much GH can go to GHI, he showed
25 that J can enlarge to 5800 megawatts can support GHI, K can

1 do it for a very limited amount, so the 300 megawatts.

2 Based on that when we formed the new zone, we said that K
3 is excluded.

4 Now, you have to realize that when we clear the
5 markets, when we first started the market it was clear that
6 J and K were export-constrained, this was way back in 1999,
7 when NYISO was formed. But at that time we did not model J
8 or K as explicitly, by putting up straw into NYCA, but we
9 did it probabilistically with this LCR concept, the local
10 capacity requirement. And when we did the GHIJ, the nested
11 zone, we also determined probabilistically how much GHIJ
12 has to procure for us to meet this requirement.

13 So, the three export constraints, the zone, J
14 was always export-constrained, K was always
15 export-constrained. What we treat, all of them are part of
16 NYCA, and we use the concept of LCR, which is also
17 probability, to determine how much capacity we procure, and
18 we did the same for GHI.

19 We showed that K can support any fungibility
20 that Henry talked about in GHI to a very limited manner, it
21 was like 300 megawatts, that's the basis of that we left K
22 out.

23 Now, if you were to put K as an
24 export-constrained zone, mechanically we can certainly do
25 that. Now, what does that mean? If K, what we would do is

1 K would come out and have, instead of being part of the --
2 if you look at the bubble you have NYCA, you have J, you
3 have K, you have GHIJ, and they all stay within NYCA. NYCA
4 explicitly models a straw into J, and probably another
5 straw into I, and clear that deterministically in the
6 capacity auction. There are questions on what is the
7 limit, is the limit going to be what is in the MAR's
8 analysis which is about 300, or is the limit based on more
9 operational constraints like N-1, may N-2, maybe other
10 limits, what is going to -- are we going to abandon the LCR
11 concept, and what happens when other zones, not just K,
12 suppose that there is a zone that say A is
13 export-constrained; should we model that differently?

14 My fundamental issue is that we model the
15 capacity market based on the premise that all zones are
16 part of NYCA, LCR's are determined probabilistically, and
17 when we do the analysis, the zones we have seen the nesting
18 of GHI and J, it makes sense based on a probabilistic
19 determination that a large amount of J can clear into GHI.

20 If you were to abandon that we could come to a
21 construct where K or potentially all 11 zones are
22 individual bubbles, with some kind of a requirement, could
23 be IRM, could be that 17 percent IRM, with every connection
24 between zone to zone modeled deterministically in the
25 auction process.

1 So then we have certain questions as to what are
2 the limits, are they the limits we used in MARS or are they
3 other limits, is this the right way to do it, because now
4 we are taking a probabilistic construct and putting it into
5 a deterministic auction, what other kind of, you know, what
6 is the action rules, what are mitigation rules, and there
7 is a whole slew of things.

8 So what I would again say that, yes, it can be
9 done, we really have to have a lot of discussion in the
10 stakeholder process and really examine is this really the
11 right construct? And implementation wise it's also very
12 significant, because it really up ends how we run the
13 auction process, it would be a complete rewrite of
14 our software, and a complete departure from the current
15 construct.

16 So essentially it can be done in the capacity in
17 K, currently synchs in NYCA because we use the
18 probabilistic construct that all load zones are part of
19 NYCA. If you separate out K you don't know where, whether
20 it should continue to synch in NYCA and the questions of
21 the wisdom of using a probabilistic construct with pulling
22 out a zone and using a deterministic construct and clearing
23 the auction.

24 And there is a question about how you determine
25 the limits. MARS uses certain limits, but I'm not sure

1 that those are the correct limits to use if you go to the
2 deterministic clearing of auctions.

3 So, again, this is something we will take in the
4 stakeholder process. One of the things I also wanted to
5 mention is that one of our market monitors MMU's, one of
6 the recommendations are in question of predetermined zones.
7 We have this as an activity that we are going to undertake
8 this year. The question of predetermined -- we support
9 that concept of terms of predetermined zones, that you can
10 have predetermined zones that can clear based on the supply
11 and demand situation, but then the fundamental question is,
12 are those predetermined zones based on the current concept
13 of every zone clearing in NYCA, every zone which clears in
14 NYCA is based on the LCR concept, but we can look at
15 alternate structures where you have all 11 zones, they are
16 modeled as separate export constrained bubbles, and they
17 have connections between the bubbles, and we model that.
18 That's a construct that we haven't explored in the
19 stakeholder process in the past, we will do that.

20 So what I have fundamentally personally I have
21 questioned the wisdom of taking individual zones as an
22 export-constrained zone within, and leaving parts of the
23 current construct, which is based on a probabilistic model,
24 but we are willing to explore that in the stakeholder
25 process in the coming months.

1 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I have a question, Rana,
2 Jesse Hensley from FERC, before you could get to having all
3 11 zones being modeled as an export-restrained zone would
4 each of those zones not have to fail the high reliability
5 test and sort of be created as a new capacity zone?

6 MS. MUKERJI: Well, if you were to, yes, that's
7 the current structure, but we believe that MMU, maybe you
8 can just predetermine the zones, and pre-determining zones
9 could be saying that the 11 zones have recognized
10 transmission limitations so they will not bind, unless the
11 pipes are not horizontal. So one of the recommendations
12 has been that instead of doing this deliverability test
13 every three years, just set them up once and for all, if
14 they bind when the supply and demand situation change.

15 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I'm just wondering if there
16 is no sort of deliverability constraint, why would you want
17 separate pricing within that zone?

18 MS. MUKERJI: The beauty is that they will not
19 be separate pricing if there is no constraints, the pricing
20 converges. So setting this up predetermined say, when
21 there is no constraint the prices just converge. Setting
22 it up doesn't necessarily give you different prices.

23 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Okay, the advantage is lost
24 on me then if there is no difference in price.

25 MS. MUKERJI: The fact is that you are not doing

1 it every three years, so you have it an the prices separate
2 dynamically.

3 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Okay, thank you.

4 MR. VANSHAICK: So may there is the potential
5 for a price upgrade, warranted by the constraints or the --

6 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I see, sort of in a realtime
7 conditions.

8 MR. VANSHAICK: In a monthly sense.

9 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Yeah, in a monthly sense,
10 yes.

11 MR. VANSHAICK: Is now a good time for other
12 comments or --

13 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Yes, I think if that's the
14 end of your presentation, Rana, I think we are just going
15 to open it up to the panel. I see Pallas with his hand up.

16 MR. VANSHAICK: This is Pallas LeeVanShaick with
17 Potomac Economic, the MMU. So there is a lot of great
18 information in this presentation, I thought it was good in
19 terms of, you know, providing good information about
20 reliability issues as well as all the moving parts that are
21 affected by what we are talking about here. But in
22 particular I thought the slides on 9, 10 and 11 were pretty
23 interesting for informing my thinking.

24 So I think 9 and 10 really do a great job of
25 illustrating this concern about fungibility, which I just

1 learned is not a word, but it probably will become one
2 after this process works its way through the dictionary.

3 But, so I guess the point here that Zone K
4 capacity is not fungible with other capacity, and I'm not
5 really aware of anyone challenging that basic observation
6 from the models. And if something happens after you get
7 300 megawatts excess over criteria on slide 10 here, if
8 something happens after that where Zone K capacity stops
9 being quite as valuable as capacity in other areas, I'm
10 sorry, G through I, and J, but when we look at slide 11 I
11 think that that does put that in some context, because if I
12 look here at the LOLE and, you know, often it's easy to not
13 pay attention to the Y axis but, you know, basically G
14 through I, even though NYCA in its entirety has to meet the
15 one day in ten-year standard, you can see that G through I
16 is really the most sensitive area with the highest LOLE, so
17 it's certainly the main driver for the NYCA, the NYCA LOLE.

18 Now, as you go down these two curves, if you
19 sort of trace out the points, and I know they are not on
20 the same graph, but if they were on the same graph you
21 would see like if you add 1000 to Zone J, you move the LOLE
22 from nine days in 100 years to less than three days in
23 a 100 years, or right about three days in 100 years.

24 If you were to put the same amount of capacity
25 in Zone K you would go from nine days in 100 years down to

1 three and a half days in 100 years.

2 And I think, you know, when you get kind of
3 similar, different but still proportionately -- similar
4 proportion impacts if you add more than 1000 megawatts.
5 And I think as you go beyond 1000 megawatts, we probably
6 don't need to worry too much about what the implications
7 are once we've gone past the 1000 or 1500 megawatts in Zone
8 K.

9 But I think the basic, my basic take away here
10 is that it may be that Zone K capacity is not quite as
11 valuable for reliability as G through J, but if I could
12 add, it seems to me that it has something like 90 percent
13 of the LOLE reducing value as capacity in G through J. So
14 it does seem like it's warranted that you would consider
15 paying something above what the NYCA curve would dictate or
16 what the Zone K curve itself would dictate.

17 So in order to get some kind of balance between
18 those two extremes, one is not including it, the other is
19 including it, it seems like the most practical thing is to
20 have some kind of limited ability for it to sell into the
21 outlying area.

22 And I think, you know, you could do that with a
23 hard constraint, and I think the term that Rana was using
24 is deterministically, you could imagine a fixed amount of
25 megawatts leaving Long Island and being used to support G

1 through J, or a larger G through K Zone, but this does
2 suggest that you probably have some kind of diminishing
3 benefits as you add more Zone K capacity.

4 So at some point, having something between the
5 two extremes might be preferable, because if you don't want
6 to send the signal that capacity in Zone K is of the same
7 value as G through J, then seems like a good way to do that
8 is to come up with some kind of ratio, some kind of benefit
9 ratio that relates to doing things.

10 So, if you think there is some point at which
11 the benefits diminish, the best way to reflect that would
12 be through a benefit ratio that would be used to discount
13 the values capacity in Long Island. So, this is akin to
14 like a ship factor, but in this case it would be based on,
15 the most natural thing for it to be based on would be when
16 these export limits affect the ability for you to improve
17 the LOLE, and it seems to me that, you know, looking at
18 how, what the incremental impacts of additional capacity
19 are on the LOLE is the most natural way to do that, and
20 that's, while that's not done in any kind of deterministic
21 way in the demand curve process, the split of the demand
22 curves and the demand process are based -- are reasonably
23 consistent with the notion that you get decreasing benefits
24 if you add more capacity, so having a similar, some kind of
25 similar valuation of exports from Long Island.

1 MS. MUKERJI: How is Long Island different from
2 Zone A? Say that New York City has a price, they have
3 86 percent or whatever LCR, so they obviously are not
4 procuring 100 percent from New York City, some of that
5 capacity comes from upstate. Upstate is using the same
6 argument, you could say, is why upstate is not clearing at
7 the higher price.

8 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes. So when you say Zone A are
9 you saying something specific about Zone A or are you
10 talking more generally about G through I?

11 MS. MUKERJI: I think more A through F or NYCA,
12 some of New York City depends on NYCA for some its
13 capacity, for its synch, so why wouldn't, the same argument
14 could hold, you could break up K as an export zone, then
15 you would go to that why not A, why not B, why not C, you
16 go through that route.

17 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes. So the -- you're right,
18 the A through F provides benefits in terms of reducing your
19 LOLE, and the primary way to reflect that is through the
20 NYCA demand curve. So hopefully the NYCA demand curve is
21 set, you know, even though it's not explicitly done on this
22 basis, it should be set in a way that roughly reflects the
23 benefits that NYCA capacity provides to the state as a
24 whole.

25 MS. MUKERJI: K is part of NYCA so K is part of

1 that.

2 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes, and so it may be that you
3 add capacity to Zone A, and it does have some impact on
4 LOLE's outside Southeast New York, but it does have some
5 limited impact on the LOLE's inside Southeast New York,
6 it's just, it's limited by the fact that you have this
7 significant transmission constraint for Southeast New York,
8 but it ultimately comes down to some proportion.

9 So if you looked at the NYCA curves and you
10 found that the incentives for people to build in NYCA were
11 wildly inaccurate because of the issue that we are talking
12 about, then that would create some basis for saying that
13 something different ought to be done.

14 I think this discussion at the interzone level
15 has only really come up I think with Zone K, and perhaps in
16 B, but Zone K in that, you know, because it's clear that it
17 does provide a great deal of benefit, and that might not be
18 reflected in the Zone K demand curve itself.

19 MR. MILLER: May I just ask one clarifying
20 question?

21 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Rich Miller from ConEd.

22 MR. MILLER: Sorry, I Rich Miller from ConEd, I
23 was going to give my name after I was given permission.

24 Just taking the converse of the question that
25 Rana had, using your theory again, if it was found that

1 there was a reliability benefit that K could provide to J,
2 then you would also allow K to sell into J and not just to
3 the Lower Hudson Valley; correct?

4 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes, in theory, but I think that
5 the, sort of the information that has been provided is very
6 supportive of doing something with --

7 MS. MUKERJI: But the fact is the current
8 construct is that it's done based on NYCA, all groups in
9 NYCA depend on each other, everybody participates in NYCA,
10 export constrained zones like J and K and GHIJ, they
11 reflect the export constraints through an LCR, which is a
12 probabilistic construct, which drives their price higher
13 than the NYCA, but there is nothing in the current
14 construct, and I question the merits of having things which
15 are outside of constraint zones getting a higher price,
16 because they support limited amounts of benefits, which is
17 what we are struggling with, which I'm struggling with
18 here.

19 MR. YAFFE: David Yaffe, could I ask a question?

20 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Yes, we want to allow you to
21 make your statement as well. I don't know if you would
22 rather wait until this dies down or in response to that or
23 just go ahead and make your statement, but --

24 MR. YAFFE: Well, let me set the question here,
25 because I'm trying to square Pallas' comment with the

1 presentation and the approach that I have heard, and it's
2 clear that in the presentation of the NYISO the value of
3 LIPA capacity has been discounted, so to speak, and the
4 process has been described. It is a very crude statement,
5 but you have already recognized what, how much capacity is
6 available, is it worth including LIPA in the zone and make
7 the determination that Zone K should not be included in the
8 zone because of the limitation?

9 Now, when you shift to talking about putting a
10 discount on the price of Zone K capacity wherever it's
11 sold, I'm missing the relationship and what that is
12 supposed to signify in the concept of a demand curve in an
13 auction. Why you would discount, you would then again
14 discount the capacity, it just doesn't quite, I'm having
15 trouble making the two consents square.

16 MR. VANSHAICK: Is that a question for me?

17 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Sure.

18 MR. VANSHAICK: So I think the reason why it's
19 important to discount it, is that if you want to have
20 efficient benefits for people that invest in different
21 areas, it's important that you reflect the benefits that
22 they provide the system for the resource adequacy, at
23 least, and you do that with the demand curve logic, and the
24 demand curves in each place.

25 And the difference with this is you would relate

1 the, you would, looks like, discount only slightly the
2 effectiveness of Zone K capacity, or meeting the -- you
3 could either do it as Zone G through J demand curve, or you
4 could start recasting to get the same prices and same
5 quantities if you characterized it as Zone G through K, but
6 the point is that you get to a point where Zone K capacity
7 is a little bit less effective, but it's still very
8 effective, and if you are going to have efficient prices
9 you need to reflect that.

10 MS. MUKERJI: Clarifying question, how does the
11 demand curve factor into -- the demand curve is set based
12 on the cost of new entry, and once the net cost of new
13 entry and then you have determined slope and clearing
14 point, there is nothing there which recognizes the fact of
15 what is clearing in the other zones.

16 So I was confused by, are you suggesting that
17 you would adjust the demand curve based on expected
18 clearing prices in other zones?

19 MR. VANSHAICK: No, what I mean is if you sell a
20 megawatt in Zone K that, no, you would have to do some
21 normalization, but on the margin what it looks like, if you
22 sell a megawatt in Zone K, and that would be equivalent to
23 some proportion, some discounted amount of megawatts
24 towards the G through J curve. So let's say it was
25 50 percent, just so we don't put any numbers in people's

1 heads, but you know, the benefit of half a megawatt of
2 capacity in G through J would be reflected in the Zone K
3 price, and sales of capacity in Zone K would on this
4 discounted basis go to meet the requirements.

5 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think in the interest of
6 time I want to get LIPA's statement and then I think Dr.
7 Sasson also has comments he wants to make.

8 MR. MAGER: Excellent.

9 MR. CLARKE: I'm David Clarke, I'm the Deputy
10 Director of ISO RTO policy for the Long Island Power
11 Authority, we are now doing business as Power Supply in
12 Long Island, thanks.

13 FERC has convened this conference to address the
14 question of whether or not Zone K should be modeled with an
15 export-constrained zone and in New York's ICAP market.
16 LIPA's general view is that given the current physical
17 circumstance, NYISO's broad market structures and specific
18 rules, Zone K should not be modeled as an export
19 constrained zone.

20 Among other issues the answer hinges on the
21 impact such modeling would have on the LCR and demand curve
22 in Zone K, capacity prices in Zone K, the ability of
23 suppliers in Zone K to sell capacity into new capacity zone
24 and in the rest of the state, and the applicability of
25 buyer mitigation to a new capacity in Zone K if it's nested

1 within a new mitigated capacity zone.

2 Without understanding these impacts, it's
3 difficult for LIPA to conclude that simulating Zone K as an
4 export-constrained zone make sense, either for LIPA
5 customers or for the market in general.

6 First, while an LSE like LIPA could contribute
7 more to solving a non-local reliability need than it
8 contributes to that need, it's not clear that stimulating
9 Zone K as a exit constrained zone would appropriately
10 recognize or value that contribution. While transmission
11 limits the contribution LIPA's generation resources can
12 make outside of its zone, how likely that transmission is
13 to bind will depend on where in the NYCA a supply
14 inadequacy occurs. We see some advantage in the market
15 sending a market signal and providing an incentive that
16 pays a local LSE for an excess reliability contribution
17 outside of its zone. Nonetheless, we do not believe that
18 including Long Island in a future new capacity zone and
19 applying the current NYISO market mitigation rules, plus an
20 export limit, would lead to this result or to a successful
21 outcome.

22 As a preliminary matter, it's unclear whether
23 modeling Long Island as an exit-constrained region would
24 require Long Island to be part of a larger sub-zone, I
25 think that was a point that was made earlier. Thus, FERC

1 and staff have recognized that a key design question is
2 whether one would need to model Long Island as a part of a
3 new capacity zone in order to model it as an
4 exit-constrained region.

5 Make no mistake, under the current physical
6 circumstance there are technical difficulties in
7 determining the highly dynamic amount of capacity that
8 could be made available for export from the Long Island
9 zone, and the tariff changes that would be required, but
10 allowing excess generation on Long Island to sell into an
11 adjoining new capacity zone for pay might be an alternative
12 if appropriate market structures could be developed or if
13 the physical constraints are relieved sometime in the
14 future.

15 Simulating the exit limit from Long Island to
16 the new zone is not straightforward. As NYISO has
17 demonstrated, the exit constraint depends on which
18 generators, especially which Long Island generators, and
19 which Long Island Western transmission are available.
20 NYISO also demonstrated that the salient exit constraint
21 differed depending on whether the capacity inadequacy being
22 addressed is in New York City, Zone J, or in the Lower
23 Hudson Valley, Zones G through I, or even Zone A through F.

24 So defining the appropriate value of an exit
25 constraint is both more difficult and more dynamic than it

1 seems. Thus, modeling Long Island in a future new capacity
2 zone with an export limitation could pose significant
3 difficulties.

4 NYISO's buyer-side mitigation rules do not work
5 well when applied to Zone K, a nested zone with a minimum
6 requirement that could exceed the requirement of the zone
7 within which it would be nested. In such a circumstance,
8 an LSE that procures capacity to meet its minimum
9 requirement in the smaller zone would be a net seller in
10 the larger zone in which it is nested.

11 NYISO's rules apply the buyer side determination
12 of the smaller zone to these net sellers. Generally
13 speaking, applying buyer-side market power rules to LSE's
14 that by virtue of meeting their auction requirements are
15 net sellers in the larger zone, in other words structural
16 net sellers, that's what we call them, within which they
17 are nested, does not make sense. Nor would a PJM-style
18 self-supply exemptions with upper and lower limits on the
19 amount of exempt self-supply address this fundamental
20 problem.

21 The status quo does not interfere with Long
22 Island Power Authority's ability to meet its obligations to
23 load and this is important, and fundamental changes to the
24 structure of NYISO's buyer side mitigation rules would be
25 needed before LIPA could be reasonably be included in a new

1 capacity zone.

2 NYISO's current structure for allocating
3 deliverability rights among new and existing generators
4 would also not work well, as the NYISO structure does not
5 define who gets the right to the limited exit capability
6 associated with the Long Island zone.

7 These are just a few of the issues we see with
8 including Zone K as an exit-constrained zone. In sum, we
9 have a long way to go before including Long Island in a new
10 capacity zone makes sense, and we are doubtful as to
11 whether such an outcome would be workable or worthwhile.

12 Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Do people want to respond to
14 LIPO, otherwise I'm going to move to Dr. Sasson who I know
15 wanted to make some comments.

16 DR. SASSON: What time were you planning to
17 break?

18 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: How about 10:45?

19 DR. SASSON: All right. I will do a few
20 minutes, and I think I'm going to start where I think David
21 had asked a question about LOLE, and so I'm going to start
22 more or less with your question, which I found was
23 interesting.

24 Loss of load expectation is measured in the
25 ability and number of times in the course of ten years that

1 the system will be able to meet load, or how many times it
2 wasn't able the meet load. So when the main council does
3 its IRM LCR siting, it tries to say, well, what are the
4 minimum resources that would provide an ability level of
5 loss of load of .1, a level of one in ten years, the whole
6 NYCA is control area is not going to be able to meet the
7 load, and we will have to disconnect load. So, that is the
8 criteria; right?

9 Now, when you look at the NYCA as a whole at .1
10 the question might be well, how much, what is the ability
11 to reach these 11 zones? Okay, and for example, I looked
12 up that GH and I as a super zone is about .09, a hair below
13 .1. J, New York City, is also about the same level, about
14 .09. K is better. K is about .06, I'm rounding the
15 numbers.

16 Okay. But you may ask, David, I don't know if
17 that's your question, but if not I'll ask it and answer it.
18 How can you have J at point .09 and GHI at .09, and yet
19 NYCA as a whole is only just a little bit better .1; right,
20 so .011. Well, the reason is that when you look at a zone
21 there may be more than one load disconnections at a
22 particular hour, but it's all counted as one, okay.

23 When you look at two zones you also do the same,
24 that is, the disconnection in one zone, and in another zone
25 if they happen in the same hour as far as NYCA, it's

1 counted as one, and that's why it is not additive. Okay?

2 So let's keep that in mind.

3 The second point that I wanted to make, is that
4 the NYISO, and Dr. Chao, with respect to your diagrams
5 which are pretty good diagrams, I'll start with diagram in
6 page six, which you all have, and we are talking about
7 everything south of Zone C, with the idea that all of the
8 zones above Zone C have surplus generation, because the way
9 the calculations are done, the market programs are run,
10 without getting into too technical detail, we need to look
11 at two factors. One is a particular zone and the LOLE
12 which can be helped by, if it's deficient in the sense that
13 it has less resources than load, can be helped to prevent
14 disconnections; right, by other zones. So, surplus zones
15 can help deficient zones.

16 So with UPNY obviously everything above is
17 surplus, UPNY/SENY through this interface capacity can come
18 down, that capacity can help all deficient zones south of
19 that interface, in particular, if you look at GHI, it's
20 deficient, not by a lot, but it is, J is deficient by about
21 2000 megawatts, and K is also deficient.

22 So the amount of power, of capacity coming down
23 is a sign in the program in a ratio of how much deficient
24 each zone is, when it's most efficient it gives more, and
25 when it's less efficient it gives less, but there is help

1 coming in.

2 The second factor is the zone resources
3 obviously help meet the load and prevent loss of load. So
4 you have those two factors, its own resources and the help
5 that it gets, and let's keep that also in mind.

6 So with that I want to turn to, first of all to
7 11, which has been already discussed here quite a bit. So
8 I have a couple of observations on 11. First of all, 3500
9 megawatts, and I think everybody can see that these curves
10 really come down quite a bit, this one is a little bit
11 more, but it does come down quite a bit, 3500 megawatts is
12 quite a bit, quite a lot of megawatts, and it's healthy.

13 Later on on the other tests we are going to say
14 there is a transmission limitation of about 300 megawatts,
15 but, I don't know how 3500 megawatts can get through when
16 the limitation is 300 megawatts. But it can help quite a
17 bit. Now, the NYISO also makes the argument that K helps
18 less than J, because K will point down to .01, where J was
19 essentially zero.

20 However, what we are plotting GHI in these
21 curves, what would happen if we plot NYCA as a whole? So
22 fortunately the NYISO did that for us in the January 30th
23 presentation of the ICAP working group, and we can -- so
24 somebody has done it.

25 The black one is NYCA, okay. So this one is the

1 zone is G through J, excluding K, it goes down to about
2 .01. It starts at .1, but it goes to -- because that's the
3 starting point, but it goes down to .01. Look what happens
4 when K is included, the black one goes through the same
5 .01.

6 So from a NYCA as a whole, then the contribution
7 of J and the contribution of K is very, very similar, and
8 that can be explained statistically from a probability,
9 which I'm not going to try and do, but at least from the
10 results point of view they are very similar, when you look
11 at de facto NYCA as a whole. So that's one thing that I
12 wanted. To me this doesn't say that K is better than J or
13 J is better than K, the results to me show that they are
14 about the same.

15 Now, we go to the other curve, which is the one
16 that has the 300 is what page -- oh, I'm looking at this
17 presentation, no wonder I can't find it, I knew it was
18 right here. Okay, so now let's go to 9 and 10.

19 Let's go to 10 first. Okay. My assertion is
20 that the so-called fungibility test, the way to present it
21 is not a measure of the ability of J or K to help NYCA, I
22 have always said that NYCA made no mistake as far as their
23 calculations, the numbers are all correct, the graphs are
24 all correct, but if we do an experiment you have got to
25 make sure your interpretation of the results are correct,

1 if not you may end up with the wrong conclusion, and I
2 think this is what is happening here.

3 So let's see. The system as normally is much,
4 much better than .1, the council tries to find the minimum
5 requirements, for that it has to throw out generation left
6 and right, so the system is worse and worse until it gets
7 to .1. Fortunately we are much better than .1, although we
8 have more blackouts than we should or more disconnections,
9 but we need to know what the minimum is, and to do that you
10 throw a lot of generation out.

11 If you looked at the fungibility tests, I know
12 that isn't in the dictionary, I was hearing only on a
13 train, hopefully we don't need to use it, what is
14 happening? Let's say, and I'm going to make it easier by
15 breaking it up into two steps. The fungibility test you
16 transfer generation or resources from GHI to K or GHI to J,
17 right, and see with the impact is, but I think it's
18 probably better and easier to understand what happens if
19 you do it in two steps.

20 First of all let's take, let's say 100 megawatts
21 or 500 megawatts from GHI. Remember we are starting from a
22 system at .1 for NYCA, and each load area, each area has
23 its own LOLE with GHI very close to .1, .09. What happens
24 if we throw away 500 megawatts from GHI, it's probably
25 going to go through the roof, it's going to go way up, the

1 LOLE is going to go way up, it doesn't have enough
2 resources.

3 What happens if we put that same amount of
4 resources in K now after we have done that first step?
5 Okay, so first thing that's going to happen when you put
6 resources in K is that K now needs less help from UPNY
7 coming down, because now it has more resources. It needs
8 less help to not have load disconnections; therefore, it's
9 clear that amount of generation, of resources, to now help
10 GHI.

11 Now, the question then is, does it help on a
12 one-to-one basis exactly? Now, what have we done? We have
13 taken 500 megawatts out, put it over here in K, K then says
14 I don't need 500 megawatts that was coming down from UPNY
15 through the transmission into K, so that amount is reduced,
16 but then that amount can now come and stay in GHI, because
17 K doesn't need it. So the amount flowing into K has been
18 reduced.

19 Well, the LOLE of GHI that had went very high
20 when you took the 500 out, it's going to come back down.
21 The question is, does it come down exactly where it was
22 before? And the answer to that is, no. And if this was a
23 load flow for those, then, yes, if we forget losses, it
24 would. But LOLE that comes back to the question we started
25 with, is a count of how many load disconnections we have,

1 and load disconnections at the same hour are not counted as
2 two but as one.

3 When you take all of that into account it turns
4 out that you bring it back down, but not exactly to where
5 it was, in fact it's a little bit higher. So instead of
6 .09, 500 megawatts, it might be just a little bit above .1.
7 Does that mean that the K did not help, was not able to
8 help? It did, it did help, because it just took generation
9 away, it went way up, now it went back down, but it didn't
10 go back down exactly to the same point, because of loss of
11 load expectation is not local. So it did help.

12 Now the fact that it went over .1, does that
13 mean that K is not helping? Well, we can say, okay, why
14 don't we add another 500, take another 500 off GHI, it's
15 going to go way up again, put them in K. Well, it's going
16 to come down again.

17 Isn't that what they showed us in slide 11, that
18 we could keep on going, not just with that 300 megawatts,
19 we could go to 1000 megawatts, and it's helping.

20 So what I'm really saying is that no mistakes
21 were done in any calculation. The fact that the NYISO
22 chose to have the system at .1, with GHI very close to .1,
23 as you shift 100 megawatts, 200 megawatts, the process I
24 just described is going to happen, but what happens is that
25 the .09 is inching up to .1. When you hit 300 megawatts it

1 just goes right above .1.

2 In fact, very little transmission is being used.
3 In fact, what has been happening is that we are reducing
4 the amount of flow into K, because K is saying I don't need
5 it, I'm getting more resources now, I don't need it as
6 much.

7 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: We'll want to allow time
8 for Central Hudson to --

9 DR. SASSON: Okay. So in summary then, I think
10 K is resolved the NYISO percent, the test NYISO percentage,
11 and that the conclusion is K helps considerably to NYCA, to
12 GHI, and should be part of the, should have been part of
13 the new capacity zone for that reason. And to me it's a
14 reliability issue, we need to the incent of the whole idea
15 here of the new capacity zone is to incent generation where
16 it helps, to build where it helps. These results are
17 showing that in GHI through K it would help, all of the new
18 capacity zones. Thank you.

19 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Yes. I think maybe break at
20 say 11:00 we'll say, and maybe five minutes for Multiple
21 Intervenors, and then five minutes for Multiple Intervenors
22 and then five minutes for Central Hudson; does that work?

23 MR. MAGER: Okay, thank you. My name is Michael
24 Mager, I represent Multiple Intervenors, which is an
25 association of approximately 55 to 60 of New York State's

1 largest energy consumers. I also want to address the
2 question of whether Zone K should be included within the
3 new capacity zone, and to do that, I first I wanted to
4 follow up on a question that you had asked, Jesse, about
5 the NYISO's original interpretation of its tariff, from its
6 presentations around that time, and I'm referring now to
7 that January 30th presentation, but it's in others as well.

8 The initial interpretation was quote, "If excess
9 capacity in an individual load zone within the region of
10 consideration for a new capacity zone can improve the
11 reliability and security of a potential new capacity zone
12 it is the sole consideration for including that load zone
13 as part of the new capacity zone."

14 And that was the interpretation for some period
15 of time, and then the NYISO changed its interpretation and
16 it started comparing the assistance that Zone K can provide
17 with the assistance that Zone J can provide. And I guess
18 at the outset I want to say that we disagree with the
19 relevance of that type of comparison.

20 I don't think there is any doubt or question or
21 dispute that Zone J provides a lot of assistance to G
22 through I, more assistance than K, and Zone J should be
23 included within the new capacity zone, that hasn't been
24 disputed as far as I know.

25 So the question, so there is no doubt or

1 controversy that Zone K provides less assistance than Zone
2 J, but what I think the relevant question is, is does Zone
3 K provide enough assistance that it should be included
4 within the new capacity zone? And on this I think the
5 numbers, I don't think are in dispute. We don't take issue
6 with the NYISO's conclusions. Basically I'll work off of
7 the 300 megawatt number. They basically have found that
8 Zone K can provide 300 megawatts of assistance to the new,
9 to G through I.

10 So the question is, is that relevant, is that
11 sufficient, is there enough that it should be included or
12 should it be essentially disregarded and left out of the
13 capacity zone? And on that point we looked at things
14 differently than the ISO.

15 The demand curves are based on a proxy, peaking
16 units, that's the foundation of the ISO's demand curves,
17 the purpose of establishing this new capacity zone is to
18 send appropriate price signals.

19 The price signals and demand curves are based,
20 the prices in the capacity markets are based largely on the
21 demand curves which are founded on the cost of a proxy
22 peaking unit, that would be the type of unit that would be
23 used to meet a reliability need. And in the NYISO's last
24 demand curve reset process as well as the process prior to
25 that, the size of the proxy peaking unit is approximately

1 200 megawatts, something between 200 and 210.

2 So, the proxy peaking unit which provides the
3 foundation of the demand curve can be sited in Zone K, and
4 provide its full assistance to G through I.

5 The other point that we found relevant in
6 looking at this issue, was that throughout the Spring of
7 2013, the NYISO presented a number of presentations to
8 market participants, and there is one on March 27th that we
9 cited to in our prior pleadings, about the tightness for
10 the upcoming Summer 2013 period, that things were going to
11 be tight as a result of generator retirements throughout
12 the state as well as load growth within the Southeastern
13 New York region.

14 And the NYISO presented analyses showing that
15 the margin of available surplus capacity to ensure the
16 ability to meet load requirements in Southeastern New York
17 during high load periods was only slightly greater than 200
18 megawatts.

19 And so if an ISO is showing during an upcoming
20 high peak period in the Summer, excess capacity of roughly
21 200 megawatts, in our view how can potential assistance
22 from Zone K, which we say is 300, be deemed insignificant
23 or immaterial, not enough to warrant being included in the
24 zone?

25 So, we looked at it very differently. Based on

1 the demand curves as well as reliability concerns within
2 the NYISO, we have concluded that 300 megawatts of
3 assistance is material, and right now by excluding that
4 assistance from the new capacity zone it's essentially
5 being ignored. And it can be recognized by including it in
6 the zone, or there are alternatives such as modeling it as
7 an export-constrained zone, and we agree with the NYISO
8 that to do it is not a simple or easy task and probably
9 requires a lot of work in the stakeholder process to
10 implement, but we would like to see the assistance that
11 Zone K does provide, which we believe is material,
12 recognized at least in time for the text demand curve reset
13 process in three years. Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Thank you.

15 I guess in the interest of time we will move
16 right to Central Hudson.

17 MR. BORCHER: Good morning, my name is John
18 Borchner, Senior Director of Energy Policy and Transmission
19 Development for Central Hudson. Central Hudson remains
20 concerned that Zone K has not been considered as part of
21 the new capacity zone. We agreed with Dr. Chao in his
22 statement early on that all the zones, GHIJ and K
23 contribute to the need for constraint with the transmission
24 flows, and that constraint is what resulted in the
25 development of the new capacity zones.

1 Part of our, one of our main concerns is the way
2 that the reverse flow from the Zone K into GHI has been
3 modeled, that 300 megawatts is highly dependent on where
4 generation is located, even within Zone K.

5 Dr. Sasson had mentioned and outlined that in
6 his affidavit in this case early on, and it was a challenge
7 to that NYISO's calculation of that interface, and I don't
8 think that that's ever been really seriously addressed.

9 The other piece that Central Hudson remains
10 concerned with is Zone K's current physical circumstance is
11 somewhat caused or being caused by the LIPA's term Vertical
12 Integrated Utility Model. They are both a transmission,
13 LSC is the project for load area as well as a supplier.
14 They have voiced even today the concern of discounting
15 capacity and keeping out of the new capacity zone as a way
16 to be able to sell surplus capacity into the zone.

17 We have got concerns that they are part of the
18 cause of the new capacity zone, GHIJ, and holding their
19 hand part of the solution, but are torn as part of that
20 solution by being a supplier, a want-to-be supplier to
21 that.

22 So, Central Hudson has stated through this whole
23 case that we believe that Zone K does belong in the zone,
24 and they were part of the cause of that new capacity zone,
25 and still remain a viable supplier of capacity into Zone

1 GHI.

2 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think we have plenty of
3 time later after the break to open it up for anyone that
4 has further questions, but I think for the sake of our
5 transcriber, why don't we take a 15-minute break until
6 11:15 and come back and we'll start with staff questions.

7 (10:58 a.m. -- recess -- 11:18 a.m.)

8 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: All right, I think we'll go
9 ahead and get started back up.

10 In the interest of letting everyone at the table
11 have a chance to make a statement, I'm going to let Rich
12 Miller have a few minutes statement to make.

13 MR. MILLER: Yes. First, I would like to thank
14 staff for allowing Dr. Sasson to come in and review his
15 technical issues that he previously raised in this
16 proceeding but, you know, obviously we fully understand
17 that this issue was already resolved once by the Commission
18 and, you know, we are not saying that the Commission made a
19 wrong decision on the tariff at that time, in fact, you
20 know, we have obviously re-read the decision and what the
21 Commission found was that the NYISO had complied with its
22 tariff.

23 The issue that we think is worthy of further
24 consideration and discussion is whether there should be
25 more proscriptive language in the tariff going forward to

1 determine what the boundaries of the capacity zone would
2 be. And, we do note that there is a strict numerical
3 metric-based test to determine whether a new zone should be
4 created or not, but that there isn't similar language
5 applicable to determining the boundaries of that zone, but
6 we think that it is just as important as the decision
7 whether to create a zone or not in terms of its impacts on
8 the market, and that in terms of predictability and
9 certainty for all market participants going forward, that
10 this is something that definitely merits further
11 consideration, though we would say that it is clearly
12 something that should be discussed in the stakeholder
13 process.

14 And just one final note, we clearly support the
15 statement by Rana Mukerji that with respect to the proposal
16 for the export-constrained zone, we do think it does merit
17 further consideration, we are not taking a position for or
18 against, but we fully support his statement that this is a
19 matter that should be discussed within the NYISO
20 stakeholder process and resolved by the NYISO stakeholders,
21 because it's obviously something that contemplates very
22 significant changes to the operation of the NYISO capacity
23 market.

24 Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: We want to have staff

1 questions from the Commission and get those out of the way
2 and then we can throw it open to people from the audience
3 if they want to ask questions, or more dialogue among
4 the panelists. So, David Mead.

5 MR. MEAD: Yeah, David Mead, from the FERC
6 staff, I have a few questions for Dr. Chao. Dr. Chao, if I
7 heard correctly, you indicated that the analysis you did
8 that underlies your slides are based on the system being at
9 or near criterion.

10 DR. CHAO: Correct.

11 MR. MEAD: So Long Island, as you mentioned, has
12 a 100 -- a local capacity requirement of 105 percent of
13 forecasted peak load. And so your analysis, if I
14 understand it correctly, was based on the presumption that
15 Long Island was at or near the 105 percent load.

16 DR. CHAO: It was at 105.

17 MR. MEAD: I went on the NYISO website a little
18 earlier and I have some, what I hope are accurate and
19 recent statistics. The forecast peak for Long Island,
20 according to the website for Long Island, was roughly 5500
21 megawatts. And so if you apply the 105 percent requirement
22 that gets you to a local requirement of almost 5600
23 megawatts. And the total requirement is 117 percent of
24 peak load, so the difference between 117 and 105 percent is
25 12 percent, which I believe is roughly 660 megawatts.

1 So is it fair to infer then that these
2 requirements presume the capability for Long Island to
3 import 660 megawatts of capacity? I guess that's my first
4 question.

5 DR. CHAO: I think you are right. So basically
6 Long Island for, I mean you folks from NYISO can help, in
7 order to meet its requirements, both the statewide
8 requirement and the LCR for K, is to say basically they
9 need to purchase 105 from local generation of resources in
10 a line, and then the rest from the rest of the state
11 anywhere, it could be all in a line, but it has to be
12 fully needed for the 117 percent for the criteria, so there
13 are two criteria.

14 MR. MEAD: Then these roughly 660 megawatts of
15 imported capacity would all come through the GHI part of
16 the system; is that correct?

17 DR. CHAO: Correct.

18 MR. MEAD: Okay.

19 MR. CLARKE: Can I elaborate or --

20 MR. MEAD: Please, go ahead.

21 MR. CLARKE: So with respect to the capacity
22 that comes from outside of Long Island, over the crosstown
23 cable or Neptune cable, et cetera, et cetera, we make an
24 election prior to the time that the NYISO sets the capacity
25 requirement, the LCR requirement, the election we make is

1 how much we are going to be importing. That is used to
2 offset in part what the locality requirements would be. So
3 either you -- the locality requirement is reduced to the
4 extent that we import capacity over either the crosstown
5 cable or the Neptune cable.

6 MR. MEAD: I understood earlier, maybe I
7 misunderstood, that imports over the crosstown cable or the
8 other --

9 DR. SASSON: Neptune.

10 MR. MEAD: -- Neptune, went towards the 105
11 percent local requirement, and to the extent that you elect
12 to do so, that's fine, but there is still underlying the
13 requirements here an ability to import 660 megawatts from
14 the rest of NYCA, presumably located in the Zones A through
15 F; is that --

16 MR. YAFFE: That's not necessarily true. It's
17 the 105 percent has to come either from the imports to the
18 cable, which provide for firm capacity on Long Island, or
19 from other Long Island generation, but the differential
20 doesn't have to come from A through J, it could, some part
21 of it may come from Zone K itself, it's just that only the
22 105 percent has to come from --

23 MR. MEAD: No, my understanding is that the
24 105 percent is the minimum requirement that has to come
25 from either generation located in Zone K or else imported

1 through these --

2 MR. YAFFE: Two cables, yes.

3 MR. MEAD: -- and that Long Island may elect to
4 procure more than this minimum amount.

5 MR. CLARKE: This is Dave Clarke, absent the
6 connections to the rest of the NYCA, the requirement on
7 Long Island would be higher. And this is, as folks have
8 alluded to previously, all of the requirements are lower
9 because we work as part of an interconnected system.

10 So if it weren't for transmission that allowed
11 power to go into Long Island or out of Long Island, not
12 only would our requirement, local requirement be higher,
13 but the other local requirements would be higher as well.

14 MR. MEAD: That sounds like the import -- that
15 imports over say the crosstown cable go not towards the
16 local requirement, but rather towards the NYCA requirement,
17 the 117 percent requirement.

18 MR. CLARKE: No, they go to the Long Island,
19 they count against the Long Island requirement. The point
20 I was trying to make was that when you don't import
21 capacity there is a change in the locality requirement
22 based on the tie benefit, that's different from the smaller
23 amount than if you actually have a capacity-backed
24 transaction. So it is a little more subtle point, maybe it
25 wasn't particularly to your question, but --

1 MR. MEAD: I'm sorry, finish your point.

2 MR. CLARKE: That was it.

3 MR. MEAD: I'm -- this is a question, is my
4 understanding correct, and that is, based on the
5 105 percent local requirement and the 117 percent NYCA
6 requirement, that seems to presume that there is enough
7 transmission transfer capability for Long Island to import
8 up to roughly 660 megawatts from Zones A through F; is that
9 a correct presumption?

10 DR. CHAO: Yes. So, in other words, I mean I
11 don't know how accurate the 660 number is, but assume it
12 runs into that number, a portion, maybe all could be
13 procured from the rest of the state.

14 MS. MUKERJI: Let me just say, but this is a
15 probability. The load of Long Island is 100 percent, they
16 have to get 105, and then it has to get another 12 from
17 NYCA, and NYCA is from A through K.

18 And the question is that, you know, based on
19 this probabilistic thing of one day in ten years across
20 NYCA. So it should not really put the deterministic that
21 this 600 megawatt is coming through this wire at this
22 instant because it is run through about 1500 simulations of
23 different outage stage.

24 MR. MEAD: Again, I presume since the
25 requirements are here, this permits Long Island to import

1 up to 660 megawatts from Zones A through F, and then the
2 presumption is that most of the time there is enough
3 transmission transfer capability for that to happen.

4 MS. MUKERJI: The requirements of 105 percent is
5 a NYCA, it's not a Long Island.

6 MR. MEAD: No, I understand. Loads of -- isn't
7 that true, that loads in Long Island must procure 117
8 percent of their forecast peak load, and they can procure
9 up to 660 megawatts, or whatever -- check my numbers later,
10 but it's the 12 percent of peak load.

11 MS. MUKERJI: Anywhere in NYCA.

12 MR. CLARKE: Including Long Island.

13 MR. MEAD: Right, but it could be coming from A
14 through F.

15 MR. MAGER: Actually I would suspect it would be
16 because that's where it's by far the most economical, in
17 terms of a loads-serving entity meeting its requirements,
18 their capacity prices in the rest of the state or upstate
19 traditionally have been much lower. So you know, if K has
20 to procure additional capacity it would, the load
21 serving-entities would certainly want to procure it from A
22 through F as opposed to J where capacity prices are much
23 higher.

24 MR. MEAD: So my next question or point is that
25 starting with this 660 megawatt import, which is sort of

1 the at-criterion situation, if Long Island were to add
2 capacity over and above this 105 percent, let's say they
3 added an extra 100 megawatts, that that would make an
4 additional 100 megawatts available to GHI because that 100
5 megawatts previously was going through GHI anyway, and now
6 it can be retained for the benefit of GHI because
7 Long Island doesn't need it anymore; is that a fair --

8 DR. CHAO: I think that's a fair, I guess
9 assessment, but you have got to make sure in reality when
10 you design the system you expect kind of, if there is 100
11 megawatt capacity addition.

12 So basically it goes to the Long Island, I mean
13 LIPA's original resource planning criteria, when they have
14 long term service agreement, whatever, whichever the form
15 is that is appropriate, for its load, it has its own proper
16 planning process, they have their target. Another day
17 there is a minimum to the Mike Mager's point, it's a missed
18 cost, how much they can lean on the neighboring zones
19 within NYCA, and whether they achieve the minimum costs to
20 service it or not.

21 MR. CLARKE: Remember this goes both ways. You
22 are talking about peak load of 100 percent, and in the case
23 that you are talking about is 105 percent locality
24 requirement. So the ICAP that's necessary on Long Island
25 exceeds the load, which means sometimes you are going to

1 have situations where you have outages that require the
2 power to come in, and other times you are going to have all
3 the capacity available, which allows Long Island to serve
4 outside of its zone, but it's not just in one direction
5 where you are reducing upstate, but you are also in a
6 direction where, sometimes you are in the direction where
7 you have a sufficiency of capacity on Long Island that can
8 drastically exceed inadequacy outside of Long Island.

9 MS. MUKERJI: If you just sort of see the
10 capacity of Long Island in the MARS model, Long Island into
11 J, plus I zones, is 344 megawatts. So, and we look at
12 NYCA, the one day in ten based on the totality of A through
13 K, so there are instances when that 344 goes from K all the
14 way to helping J, it could be from J to GHI to A, and then
15 there is a different limit from the other way into Long
16 Island. Those limits are not the same, by the way, it's
17 bidirectional, different limits on both directions, and at
18 times when Long Island is short, and it depends that A
19 through J to supply Long Island.

20 In totality, NYCA has to be better than one day
21 in ten years, so you cannot take one instance and try to
22 solve of a load flow when you come to capacity.

23 MR. MEAD: I understand. My questions are going
24 toward the issue of how much capacity is fungible between
25 GHI and K? And again, let me, if I could finish this

1 point, is this presumption correct, that the local
2 requirements, the 105 percent for Long Island, the
3 88 percent for the G-J locality and the 86 percent for J,
4 all -- that's presuming everybody is at criterion, and that
5 includes Long Island, so that means that Long Island for
6 this analytical purpose is presumed to import 660
7 megawatts. If that's so, and then Long Island added 660
8 megawatts to Long Island, wouldn't that free up 660
9 megawatts of capacity that's perfectly fungible with loads
10 in GHIJ.

11 DR. CHAO: Well, actually as shown in one of the
12 slides that indeed everybody, if say GHI and J and K, and
13 GHI as a zone 88 percent, so you have, all of a sudden you
14 add surplus. You add surplus amount, 660 on top of that
15 criteria, yes, it would be as shown in that curve. But I
16 will caution you that, you know, you look at market done on
17 this, do you see the market will retain such surplus in the
18 long run?

19 And very likely if this is the same capacity
20 zone, when you all of a sudden add a surplus, as we have
21 seen in our system, capacity for the most part. And how
22 long you want to be dealing with that, just because
23 somebody is at capacity, and then you try to design a
24 system that's not prepared for a real market signal, to
25 need the correct location of the needed capacity, in this

1 case when you consider this limitation of 344, that's the
2 signal, that you have got the market signal in the F
3 through K, you are going to see that constraint due to
4 transmission to supply to J, but if you put them in the
5 market, ignore that constraint, you are going to see
6 retirement because the market has its own dynamics.

7 MS. MUKERJI: To put it another way, if
8 everybody is in the criteria and you keep adding stuff to
9 K, it improves reliability that we have seen in GHI and J,
10 but in terms of the market, that's why we did this, the
11 fundamental test, the first set, you are saying if
12 something retired, if everybody in criteria, GHI was in
13 criteria, J was in criteria, K was in criteria, and if you
14 add stuff in K, it helps everybody.

15 But, if you retire something in GHI, which is
16 Lower Hudson Valley, instead of building in GHI, you build
17 in K, only a very limited amount, 300 megawatts seems to
18 help.

19 MR. MEAD: That's what I'm stumbling over, if --
20 let me --

21 MR. YAFFE: Can I give a different construct,
22 because I think you've got, you are putting two things
23 together that don't quite match, and I sympathize with you.
24 There is a deliverability issue, and that's what you're
25 trying to line up, you know, how do megawatts flow, if it's

1 got to be to Long Island or whatever. And then there is
2 the way in which the market, the planning criteria of the
3 117 percent is set for the New York Control Area as a
4 whole, okay, so the local capacity requirement really
5 represents the amount of the total capacity in the New York
6 Control Area that LIPA or LHV or New York City has to have
7 from local sources, the capacity has to be deliverable in
8 that region in that capacity, but everything above that
9 comes from, the computer guys will kill me, but comes from
10 the cloud, comes from the entire New York Control Area
11 without tracing, without ensuring that the time-specific
12 resources to specific needs in specific areas.

13 But what Henry is also talking about, just to
14 give you a real example, I mean is that a couple years ago
15 the Danskammer plant blew up. The Danskammer plant is not
16 in Zone K, but because the Danskammer plant blew up the
17 local capacity requirement on Long Island increased because
18 of these various, because of the multiple simulations that
19 they do and come up with the capacity requirement, and the
20 way, you know, the needs for local capacity shakes out
21 after you do those simulations, I'm not an engineer. So
22 the difference between local capacity requirement and the
23 total is not treated the same way, it doesn't mean the same
24 in terms of where capacity is located.

25 MR. MEAD: Actually, can I suggest if you want

1 to talk put your thing up and it will be first come first
2 served.

3 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Sounds good.

4 MR. MEAD: Dr. Sasson and Mr. Chan.

5 DR. SASSON: I think you are up to something
6 here. What really is, is that the capability of
7 Long Island to assist GHI and all of the other zones, all
8 of NYCA is much, much greater than 300 megawatts. In fact,
9 300 megawatts is not a transmission limitation from point
10 of view of LOLE, it isn't. The 300 megawatt is only due to
11 the way the test was performed, that 300 megawatts LOLE
12 equals above .1, that is not a measure of the transmission
13 limitation.

14 I think that is the fundamental question that we
15 need to go back, and as Rick Miller was saying, I think we
16 should take this back to the stakeholder process and go
17 through the details of how this whole process works, how
18 the LOLE works, which we have done now in very, very great
19 detail; 300 megawatts is not the transmission limitation of
20 Long Island previously. And that's why you are having
21 trouble in putting all the pieces together, because it
22 isn't.

23 MR. MEAD: Mr. Chan.

24 MR. CHAN: My name is Ting Chan from Central
25 Hudson. One of my responsibilities is to cover the NYISO's

1 market issues, and attend the taskforce and committee
2 meetings. As I'm glad they brought up the Danskammer
3 example, because one of the pieces that has been missing
4 from this discussion has been Long Island has to be part of
5 the new capacity zone, for this thing is interrelated in
6 terms of how the resource adequacy calculation is done when
7 they perform the LOLE test.

8 For instance, when Danskammer, which is located
9 in Zone G, it's downstream of UPNY/CE interface, when that
10 retired it caused the Long Island location capacity
11 requirement to go up from 102 percent to 105 percent, but
12 if you add generation, but the converse is true, because if
13 you add generation in Zone G it would result in lowering
14 the location capacity requirements of Long Island.

15 So there is a benefit essentially of adding
16 capacity in Zone G that would directly benefit Long Island,
17 so if they are not part of the zone there is a mismatch in
18 terms of what is going on in terms of, you know, they are
19 part of the reason why the LOLE has got triggered is
20 because is they are downstream of the scene. At the same
21 time if they are not part of the zone they are not asked to
22 pay or at least contribute to solving the problem for that
23 local capacity that has failed in this case.

24 And essentially, if you take Long Island out of
25 the mix, essentially, you know, one concern comes to mind

1 in terms of the mismatch how we did the resource adequacy
2 tests calculation of LOLE, of Long Island is treated as
3 part of Southeast New York when they are doing this loss of
4 load expectation, and this shifting of the out of Zone K
5 and J, for instance, to A through F when they are
6 calculating what the resource adequacy calculation but then
7 now you are excluding it, and looking at loss of load
8 expectation and trying to calculate what is the locational
9 load capacity requirement of Long Island, one of the things
10 they do is they shift generation requirement out of zones
11 and K, to do that locational capacity requirement, to
12 compute the locational capacity requirement of New York
13 City and Long Island in this case, but then now you are
14 excluding it. So any generation you add in G is going to
15 lower that locational capacity requirement and will benefit
16 Long Island customers.

17 So any generation you add in F is going to load
18 that location requirement and will benefit Long Island
19 customers. So it's a really dynamic relationship that is
20 going on that cannot be ignored. And like Dr. Sasson from
21 Con Edison indicated, you can't just look at the
22 transmission limitations, because the NYISO announces that
23 it is correct, but you have to look at it from the specific
24 perspective, but you have got to look at it from the
25 comprehensive approach of looking at, well, how does that

1 impact other types of studies that are being done, and are
2 they looking at it from the same perspective when they are
3 computing the criteria that is being applied.

4 MS. MUKERJI: I just wanted to go back to that
5 case, why, and everything is in the criteria, and you add
6 additional capacity in K, and why it makes things better.
7 The way the LOLE criteria, this one day in ten years and
8 the .09 goes down to lower numbers is based on these Monte
9 Carlo simulations which are run. So essentially it goes
10 better because you have additional capacity in GHIJ and K,
11 so when the Monte Carlo simulation comes with a large
12 outage of 2000 or 3000 megawatts, instead of getting a
13 violation you have more extra capacity in K to serve that.

14 So it means that in more extreme cases of the
15 Monte Carlo simulation where you have large amounts of
16 capacity out in GHI, there is excess capacity in K which
17 can still supply that and get within one in ten.

18 So that shows that everybody is in criteria, and
19 your adding additional capacity, reliability seems to
20 improve.

21 Now, that is, as Henry said, that's an
22 unrealistic case, because what happens when there is a
23 retirement in GHI, Lower Hudson Valley, and the market
24 signals if it's the same everywhere it will say, okay,
25 let's put a power plant in K, and as soon as you do that,

1 what happens in the Monte Carlo simulation is now when GHI
2 was in criteria there was less violations in GHI, because
3 GHI there was sufficient capacity in GHI.

4 As soon as you have less capacity in GHI, GHI is
5 going to be short under many more conditions, and during
6 those conditions how much can it supply from K? And it
7 violates that one in ten criteria within 300 megawatts.

8 So let me just go to the Danskammer example,
9 it's a 500 megawatt plant, if you put about 500 megawatts
10 in Long Island, you can only get about 300 out. So if you
11 retire the Danskammer and built it in K, you're not going
12 to get one in ten days if you do that. So, it's
13 fundamentally the whole, the market solves a deterministic
14 load flow type of situation for every condition, but these
15 requirements are based on probabilistic simulations over
16 many conditions.

17 So that's the reason why adding additional
18 capacity seems to be helping reliability, but when you take
19 one for one fungibility you get into the real hard limits
20 that you cannot retire a unit in Lower Hudson Valley and
21 put it in Long Island and supply it.

22 MR. MEAD: Can you explain, we start out with
23 this at-criterion situation in all parts of NYCA, and then
24 we add some generation in Long Island, Long Island, of
25 course, is now more reliable. Doesn't that -- let's say

1 it's 100 megawatts; doesn't that allow GHI to retain 100
2 megawatts more of A to F capacity that otherwise was going
3 to be moved to Long Island? And if so, why doesn't that
4 make that 100 megawatts fungible?

5 DR. CHAO: Let me answer that question. I think
6 that there is a general confusion. You have got to look at
7 these in perspective perhaps in two cycles, in two years.
8 Why? Let me tell you why. When you have a retirement in
9 this scenario of Danskammer, J LCR went up, K LCR went up,
10 so the systemwide NYCA requirement also went up, but
11 because of the sort of -- actually it did go up by 0.3
12 percentage of the statewide, and the locational J went up
13 by 2.5, K went up by 3 percent in that example.

14 Now, year on, next year you do the same study,
15 you define all of this. What matters is still the
16 transmission that affects the capability that provides
17 capacity certainly in the zone, still is the dominant fact.
18 Whether it is 300 or not, it's still going to be the 300,
19 the only thing that changes, the capacity mix in different
20 zones, GHI went down, K went up, so next year you are going
21 see higher.

22 So, what I'm trying to say here is you have got
23 to recognize the system condition, transmission create the
24 dominant effect. If there is no transmission, I would say
25 you have no transmission constraint between the zones, I

1 would say, yes, case K -- should we ask J, and it would be
2 part of this, G through K, your capacity zone, but the
3 change in system condition could increase LCR's to the
4 case.

5 Your 100 megawatt today is surplus, given next
6 year, new condition, your surplus is gone. I give you one
7 example. I think Long Island today is about 109,
8 110 percent, what this year's reserve requirement is 107
9 from 105. So how much, how accurate you want to really
10 project for the future, we are talking about capacity, we
11 are talking long term, long term economics follow the
12 market.

13 MR. MEAD: I see -- let me just ask one more
14 question then we let me throw it.

15 What I gathered from your slides was that
16 roughly 300, that roughly 300 megawatts of export from
17 Long Island was fungible. And I guess what I come to is
18 that in order get the 300 megawatts, first of all you have
19 to eliminate the imports, and the imports are 660
20 megawatts. So why does it not follow that the -- from the
21 current at-criterion situation, that you could add 900
22 megawatts roughly of capacity to Long Island and make it
23 fungible with GHI, because in order to get 300 megawatts of
24 export you first have to eliminate 660 megawatts of import.

25 Let me pose that question and then --

1 MR. CLARKE: Can I take a shot at that?

2 MR. MEAD: Does NYISO want to respond first?

3 DR. CHAO: Sure. My quick answer is, when you
4 have a new system, new condition specifically, you are
5 going to go through the whole process of statewide RM
6 study, and then locational LCR study. That balance point
7 that we are talking about just a moment ago, can move you
8 to a different point. The whole reason of that movement is
9 not because you have -- in addition to your capacity
10 condition movement, but also the overarching question here
11 is, were the transmission limits the capacity movements,
12 always this year, going to be next year or year after, yes,
13 until we fix the transmission. Because the relationship
14 of RM LCR can change year after year, in our system
15 a couple years ago we were 15 percent RM, and then
16 16 percent RM, 115, 116, before it was like 118 and then
17 117. So this thing changes, whenever there is a change,
18 the LCR, corresponding LCR's change as well.

19 MR. MEAD: Mr. Clarke and then back to Dr.
20 Sasson.

21 MR. CLARKE: Let me take a step back because I
22 think we are talking about 300 megawatts and I think we are
23 looking at the tiny piece at the top of the big puzzle.
24 First thing, all areas help other areas and that's what the
25 interconnect system is for. When we are talking about

1 Long Island, all the Long Island capacity helps up to its
2 minimum requirement, plus the LCR's, so it's not just, the
3 300 number is a highly dynamic number, it's not just the
4 300 megawatt amount that it can help, all the capacity on
5 Long Island helps up to 300 megawatts.

6 Now, as Henry has said, right now the system has
7 more than 300 megawatts of additional capacity, so the
8 question is do we want to add new capacity on Long Island
9 as a way of providing additional help to G through I, and
10 the answer is no.

11 So the parallel question going back to Long
12 Island, is it's a 650 megawatt limit? It's a capacity that
13 can help toward meeting the NYCA requirement is all of the
14 capacity in NYCA UPNY/SENY, plus the amount that can be
15 moved into Long Island, not just the amount that can be
16 moved into Long Island accounts.

17 So I think you need to think about it more in
18 terms of all the capacities matter, any piece of capacity
19 that you take out makes a difference.

20 Now, it makes less of a difference if you have
21 an aggregate amount of capacity that exceeds the minimum
22 requirement plus the limit, so I think that's a better way
23 to look at the issue.

24 MR. MEAD: Pallas?

25 MR. VANSHAICK: If I were to try to answer the

1 question again, I'm coming at this from maybe a higher
2 level rather than as practitioner, I think you are
3 basically, I think the key point here you have in this
4 analysis that models all of these simulations of different
5 conditions, they differ from one another in part because of
6 the forced outages that occur; right?

7 So you could have 105 percent of the load in
8 Long Island held its capacity, so you have more capacity
9 than load, so you might say, well, why do I need anything,
10 the reason is that 105 percent has to be discounted by all
11 the forced outages that are made.

12 So the reality is that most of the time in these
13 simulations Long Island is importing. If they are
14 import-constrained then that's pretty straightforward. I
15 don't think that's the case you are worried about.

16 When Long Island is not import-constrained in
17 these cases, let's say it's sort of at some intermediate
18 level, I think what you said is true, adding 100 megawatts
19 to Long Island is probably going to give you a one-for-one
20 change in the amount that has to be brought into Long
21 Island, which means there is 100 megawatts available
22 somewhere upstream, could be G through I, just depends how
23 the simulation tries to --

24 MR. MEAD: Well, it all comes through GHI, I
25 mean it doesn't come from anyplace else.

1 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes. The point is it is
2 displacing something somewhere outside, and making that 100
3 megawatts available where it's needed outside, that could
4 be in different places, but GHI is one of them, certainly.

5 Now, if you're at this extreme where if you
6 start raising the amount of capacity you have of 105 to the
7 point where even after you model all those forced outages
8 you get to the point where, even with all those forced
9 outages you still have more generation running in Long
10 Island than load, then you start to have to think about
11 these export cases where, you know, it turns out that if
12 your generation is all available in a particular simulation
13 run, then you may have more than a 344 megawatt excess of
14 supply there, and so if you add 100 megawatts in that case
15 you then, that's a case where you don't add any reliability
16 outside Long Island because the additional 100 megawatt
17 supply or 900 megawatt supply or whatever it is, is no
18 longer able to displace something somewhere else.

19 So, it really comes down to being a question,
20 you know, whether Zone K can provide benefit, really comes
21 down to a question of how often you're in this case where
22 your generation availability in Long Island is so good that
23 it is, you know, you have used up your export capability,
24 and you can no longer displace capacity outside because,
25 you know, you basically have gotten the maximum amount of

1 benefit anyone can get from Zone K.

2 So I think the situation we are in is where we
3 are not in that, if you looked at individual simulation
4 runs, I don't think we are in a case where we are seeing
5 lots of circumstances where we are close to blackout and we
6 are using the 344 export, because in this scenarios you are
7 going to find that the forced outage rates are not
8 resulting in that.

9 So I don't know if that helps at all with the
10 paradox between having more generation than you have load,
11 but at the same time usually being in a circumstance where
12 you're importing, but having it be occasionally maybe one
13 out of every ten times or two of out every ten times, where
14 you are close to very tight circumstances in your
15 simulation, maybe one out of ten times or two out of ten
16 times your 100 megawatts that you added to Long Island
17 doesn't displace anything outside or maybe only displaces
18 50 megawatts outside. So, does that help?

19 MR. MEAD: Let's see, you are next.

20 DR. SASSON: Okay. David, in my opinion you are
21 right, okay, and we could try to discuss that in technical
22 or you can just look at the NYISO's results. This is the
23 curves on page 11, adding capacity in case. You came up
24 with an example of adding 100 or 600, in other words, here
25 is the effect. It actually helps GHI, and this is done,

1 these curves are drawn from running LOLE cases. So all of
2 the dynamics available and so forth that we are talking
3 about are already embedded in these results, adding
4 capacity K, helps at GHI, at 100, at 600, at 1000, at 2000
5 it helps.

6 MS. MUKERJI: I think you are talking about two
7 slides previously which was to the fungibility.

8 DR. SASSON: Now, the question here, if Rana
9 wants me to do this, I will be glad to do that just to
10 oblige him, 300, 300 is not the limit of K helping GHI, 300
11 is the amount that you can shift from GHI to K before the
12 LOLE of NYCA goes above .1, that is not a measure of the
13 ability of K to help GHI, it's a measure of when did you
14 hit .1, and that depends on what was the starting point.

15 The starting point of GHI is very close to .1
16 already, so it doesn't take much that you lose from GHI
17 that you are going to get it all back when you put it into
18 K that you go above .1, has nothing to do with transmission
19 limitations. If it would then there is just no way, there
20 is no way that you can add this amount of generation in K
21 and help GHI. So why, it should be limited at 300, and it
22 isn't.

23 So this is the true graph. The fungibility test
24 is a different kind of test asking a very different
25 question, and the answer to that is correct, that at 300

1 you reach .1, but that does not mean that there has been a
2 transmission limitation or that above 300, and if I asked
3 NYISO to do these calculations, put more than 300, but
4 that's what they did here; right? It helped.

5 So why is it that reaching from .09 to .1 in GHI
6 is a measure of the export capability of Long Island, okay,
7 it isn't. And I think that's the crux of now to the real
8 question, and I think this, in our opinion should be
9 debated at the national stakeholder process again because
10 we need to make sure that technically what we are doing is
11 correct.

12 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Could I ask a follow on to
13 Dr. Sasson? Jesse Hensley, FERC. Given that you have I
14 think a hard transmission limitation of 344, would it make
15 sense in your opinion to model Zone K as an
16 export-constrained zone for something greater than 344
17 megawatts, notwithstanding the curve and then you can add
18 lots of surplus, but you have this hard limitation?

19 DR. SASSON: Okay, that's a good question.

20 When the NYISO did this curve it did not look at
21 transmission limitations within Long Island. It's just
22 saying I thought I had Long Island as one box, without any
23 limitations internally, and I can put more generation in
24 Long Island, and this is the result.

25 Now, you are right, that within Long Island

1 there is Eastern Long Island and Western Long Island.
2 Western Long Island is part that is connected to GHI. If
3 you put generation in Western Long Island it's going to
4 come out. If you put it in Eastern Long Island there is a,
5 something we have known for many years, there is about a
6 four-mile area where there is a bottleneck.

7 Now, we said -- I said in my affidavit, that if
8 generation is going to earn capacity now that we have
9 requirements, then it needs to be deliverable, that is
10 something we put into the market. So any generation that
11 is going to site on the Eastern part of Long Island better
12 address this four-mile bottleneck or else it's not going to
13 be able to earn capacity.

14 So I'm assuming then that that would make it
15 uneconomical to site in the Eastern part of Long Island
16 unless you are prepared to do this, or you could skate
17 around, so anything that sites in the Eastern part of
18 Long Island addresses that limitation.

19 In fact LIPA has some RFP's out there, and if I
20 remember right, Dave, you can correct me if I'm wrong, I
21 think one of the requirements in at least one of those
22 RFP's is that whatever for new generation that it has to be
23 deliverable.

24 MR. CLARKE: I will address that when you get to
25 me.

1 DR. SASSON: Okay, which means it has to address
2 this bottleneck. Once it's addressed in this bottleneck
3 the 344 is no longer there.

4 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: So you could send the price
5 signal but it might come at the expense of very high
6 generation interconnection costs?

7 DR. SASSON: It would be, if it's on the Eastern
8 part.

9 MR. MILLER: Only in one portion.

10 DR. SASSON: Only the Eastern, but not the
11 Western portion.

12 DR. CHAO: Could I have a clarifying question?
13 Just to give you folks of the concept of slide 6, the
14 east-west, and it's the Western Long Island that Dr. Sasson
15 referred to, has to be at the tail end immediately of
16 the 344 kV, before even reaching that Long Island or the
17 rest of the Long Island, because the constraining
18 transmission is Glenwood, and basically that's from that
19 connecting point to the rest of the state. That's the
20 constraining piece of the transmission line for
21 Long Island, actually it's four circuits.

22 MR. CLARKE: Do you mind if I address this issue
23 first?

24 DR. SASSON: Sure.

25 MR. CLARKE: I think I disagree with Mayer's

1 conclusion. If you add generation and then you add
2 transmission to make that deliverable, the issue is you may
3 be in the same place, you've added more generation, you
4 have added more transmission, maybe your execution would go
5 up a bit, but you have more generation now that is bottled.
6 So that's the issue and you are still kind of in the same
7 place when it comes to the next increment of generation.

8 DR. SASSON: No --

9 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think just -- I mean to
10 hone it back in on the tech conference, it's just purely an
11 issue of modeling Zone K as an export-constrained zone, I
12 think some of these are interesting philosophical questions
13 about what happens year in and year out as we go forward,
14 but just as a reminder, we are kind of constrained within
15 this conference as to what we are discussing.

16 MR. CHAN: Let me try to answer your question,
17 David, a different way. I mean what everybody has -- all
18 the answers that have been provided are
19 technically correct, but I think it could be very
20 confusing. Maybe the best way to think about it is let's
21 say starting with your starting point of the Long Island
22 load is 117 percent, the location capacity requirement is
23 105 percent. And your question was, well, if you add
24 additional generating capacity above the 105 percent level
25 in Long Island would it have a direct benefit or direct

1 result on the GHI for instance?

2 And you have asked a very good question because
3 the answer is it does have an indirect method, because it
4 has indirect benefit because as you add more generation
5 capacity on Long Island before the 105 percent level, let's
6 say add up to the 117 percent level, at that point you can
7 think of, you could remove Long Island out of the picture.

8 So when we go back to let's say slide 6, if you
9 want to look at the boundary diagram, just to follow, the
10 only C and E interface is what is separating E and F and G,
11 the transmission capability is now imported into the
12 capacity from A through F, State into GHI, and if
13 Long Island doesn't need to use any piece of that because
14 now it has built 117 percent of generation, to me that's a
15 reserve requirement, so now the full capability can be
16 utilized by Zone G through J, whereas right now if they do
17 not, if they only have 105 percent generating capacity
18 right now for the locational capacity requirement, they
19 would have to essentially have 12 percent that they are
20 trying to essentially meet their requirement with, what
21 they are allowed to do with A through F, would have to
22 utilize that path which is UPNY/SENY interface, and that's
23 what triggered the low voltage tests in terms of why we
24 need a new capacity zone.

25 So, indirectly it does help if you add capacity

1 in Long Island, because now that whole interface can now be
2 fully utilized by G through J, as opposed to having to
3 share part of it with Long Island. So, in that sense it
4 does help the reliability in G through J, and that's when
5 you go back to slide 11 of the NYISO's presentation as
6 ConEd has pointed out, it does show on the graph that as
7 you generate capacity in Long Island, yet it doesn't get
8 the an LOLE of zero, but it does go down from the graph of
9 .09 to .01.

10 So that's why looking at this, the NYISO looks
11 at it from one perspective, I can understand at the time
12 why they look at it from the perspective of if you add that
13 capability, would that add, help GHI? And they did an
14 analysis and it is based on the transmission-constraint,
15 but once again, based on the way you do resource adequacy
16 analysis, as Dr. Sasson from ConEd was trying to point out,
17 the transmission constraint is incorporated within the
18 reliability analysis, but it cannot be used as just a
19 definitive number. The magic number is 300 megawatts, and
20 that's all you could supply in capacity benefits from Long
21 Island to GHI and J in this case, because essentially if
22 your add more generating capacity in Long Island you're
23 allowing G through J to use more of the transmission
24 constraint, no longer having to share with Long Island. So
25 that's an indirect benefit in answer to your question.

1 DR. CHAO: I just want to add something very
2 quick to it. I think that Jesse brought up a good point,
3 and I want to make sure, you know, I echo and I support
4 that. We are talking about reality. Give you a sense of
5 why we did this in slide 11, we put slide 11 indeed to
6 ignore other transmission. So what is the major
7 transmission, 138 kV, it does not support 3500 megawatt in
8 that capacity addition, we did it just to analyze.

9 I think Jesse's point is what is in the
10 connection cost, development costs, whether it has enough
11 transmission to support all of that, that new addition,
12 that's what is considered in slide 11.

13 MR. MEAD: Without -- I mean we can have a
14 debate about the specific numbers, but starting
15 at-criterion situation, if we add some additional capacity
16 to Long Island, is there any scenario in which GHI and J
17 would be unable to obtain any reliability benefit from the
18 additional imports that it can basically take that are no
19 longer going to Long Island? Is there pretty much always
20 some reliability benefit that GHIJ can get when you add
21 additional capacity to Long Island over and above the
22 at-criterion level?

23 DR. CHAO: I would say it should always,
24 whenever you add capacity to system anywhere, it will
25 improve and be a help, there will be a better reliability

1 to the system anywhere you add capacity. The issue here is
2 that specifically for Zone K, when you add capacity in Zone
3 K, can you get it out, over the transmission limit?

4 MR. MEAD: So today Zone K is not nested within
5 GHIJ, and so as I understand it, therefore, if in an
6 auction Long Island procures more resources within Long
7 Island than the 105 percent, none of whatever reliability
8 benefit could accrue to GHIJ is reflected in the amount of
9 capacity that GHIJ has to procure within its boundaries.

10 Whereas, if K were to become nested within GHIJ
11 so we have a G to K locality, then in those instances when
12 Long Island procures more than its capacity requirement,
13 the local capacity requirement, there is a one for one, one
14 megawatt for one megawatt ability for the rest of the zone
15 to reduce the amount of resources it has to procure
16 locally, and it can sort of basically steal, if I can use
17 that word, more of the imports from A to F that are flowing
18 over the, over that part of the transmission line. Is that
19 a fair characterization of the issue here?

20 MR. CLARKE: No.

21 MR. VANSHAICK: I don't think so.

22 MR. MEAD: It is not? Mr. Clarke, can you take
23 that up?

24 MR. CLARKE: Can I take a shot at it. You
25 started out by saying that if Long Island at its LCR there

1 is no benefit that it provides in terms of the locality
2 requirement, the G through J zone in terms of the locality
3 requirement that -- sorry, the G through J is set at, and
4 that's not correct, because when you set the, as NYISO has
5 said previously, when you set the G through J requirement
6 you simulate Long Island at its minimum LCR, and that
7 capacity, there are certain draws that you can make when
8 you are doing reliability assessment where there is more
9 capacity than load on Long Island. Those draws make a
10 difference and help to improve the loss of load probability
11 in the G through J zone.

12 There are other draws as met as Mayer has
13 pointed out where Long Island requires power from the other
14 regions. I think that's a separate question and that's
15 part of what this mutual assistance of the transmission
16 system does. But, the premise is wrong when we are at our
17 minimum LCR, and we are connected, G through J has a lower
18 locality requirement than they would if we were not
19 connected.

20 MR. MEAD: Are you saying that in any -- I guess
21 I thought these minimum requirements were set for some
22 period of time, and you know, the outcome of a particular
23 auction would not affect the local. For example, today we
24 have 105 percent local requirement for Long Island --

25 MS. MUKERJI: That's for LCR. Now, what Dave is

1 saying, the LCR of GHIJ reflects conditions where
2 Long Island is helping GHI, that's the whole fundamental
3 thing I'm trying to say, that LCR is a probabilistic
4 concept, it reflects the fact that Long Island in many
5 instances helps GHI. So you set the local capacity
6 requirement recognizing the fact that Long Island helps,
7 that's why I have a fundamental problem of separating it
8 out from an export-constrained zone, and you are taking
9 basically LCR concept and essentially throwing it out of
10 the window, and you have to have a whole different concept
11 then.

12 So if you had these, this whole question is
13 based on this local capacity requirement which shows that
14 the interconnect system exists in one area and helps in
15 other areas. The LCR is a probabilistic constraint by
16 which we procure capacity. So if you take that construct
17 away and say that everybody else procures 117 percent
18 because it's a NYCA IRM, it's a whole different construct,
19 and we have to examine, again my understanding of the
20 stakeholder process, if it makes sense, because the whole
21 LCR construct is based on the planning probabilistic
22 construct which says that there are some instances
23 Long Island helps GHI, the LCR is based, recognizing the
24 fact that Long Island helps GHI, and it goes the reverse
25 way, too, that there are instances when GHI and A through J

1 also helps K.

2 MR. MEAD: Are you saying that starting with
3 today Long Island has 105 percent local requirement, if
4 over the next year Long Island in every auction procured
5 more than 105 percent, let's say 106 percent of its
6 forecast peak load from local resources, that by that fact
7 alone and nothing else changed, that the local requirement
8 in G through J would be reduced?

9 MS. MUKERJI: No, that's nothing to do with what
10 I'm saying. I'm saying the LCR's are based on LCR's, it
11 has nothing to do with how we clear the auctions. LCR is
12 based on probabilistic simulations which reflect the fact
13 that excess in Long Island helps GHIJ. And we procure the
14 market in the capacity market based on that determination,
15 which is fixed for a year, and then we revisit it when
16 conditions change once a year.

17 MR. MEAD: As I understand the notion of a
18 nested zone it is that the imported, the zone at the end of
19 the line, certainly J, and possibly K, has its own local
20 requirement, but if we nest K within G-J so that we now
21 have a G-K locality, that there is an aggregate local
22 requirement for G-K, and if there was no export
23 constraints, as much a capacity could be located in any of
24 those zones, including Zone K.

25 If we make it an export-constrained zone then we

1 say, well, we can locate some additional capacity in Zone K
2 to meet this local requirement for G-K, but it's limited.
3 So -- and as a result, to the extent that Long Island is
4 procuring more than 105 percent locally, that means we can
5 procure less in the rest of G-K, whereas if K is not nested
6 then any additional local capacity over and above 105
7 percent does not reduce the local requirement for G to J.
8 And so in essence the imports that are reduced because
9 Long Island is now procuring more locally, are not used
10 anywhere in SENY, but they go back --

11 MR. MUKERJI: I think there are a lot of things
12 being mixed with what you are saying, because there are
13 lots of things being mixed, because every area has an LCR.
14 NYCA has an LCR of 117 percent, J has an LCR of 86 percent,
15 K has an LCR of 105 percent, GHIJ has an LCR of 88 percent,
16 and that has nothing to do with the clearing of
17 the auction.

18 MS. NELSON: It's an input to the auction.

19 MS. MUKERJI: Yes, once you do the LCR's you
20 procure the auction, let's get that fundamentally clear,
21 that auction results do not affect the LCR. If we were to
22 include K in a nested zone you would have to determine then
23 an LCR for K, but I'll go by slide 6 of Henry's slide 9 --

24 MR. MEAD: Let me just ask, I presume that the
25 LCR for K stays the same whether or not K is nested, the

1 issue is what is the LCR for G-J if there is no nesting or
2 G-K if there is nesting of Zone K?

3 MS. MUKERJI: Correct, so there wouldn't have
4 been G to K LCR, and we based it on slide 9 of Henry's,
5 says you cannot do the substitution, and we said this is --
6 because, so it's not part of it. So the question is that
7 the LCR's reflect the fact that excess in K helps, as well
8 as where you were coming, your original question was how do
9 you reflect the fact that that people build K, if we build
10 in Zone K benefits GHIJ, it benefits by the fact that the
11 GHIJ's LCR is lower.

12 And that's really the fundamental problem, do
13 you base it on LCR or do you base it as a bubble as an
14 export-constrained zone? That is really the crux of this
15 technical conference.

16 MR. MEAD: If we add K, if we nest K within the
17 new capacity zone, I presume that the other things equal,
18 the LCR of the new JGK will be higher than it is today,
19 because the LCR for the big zone, which is the G to K, has
20 to be sort of a weighted average.

21 MS. MUKERJI: What do you mean higher, higher
22 than NYCA, it is not going to be higher than 117 percent.

23 MR. MEAD: No, no, no, right now it's 88
24 percent. I thought somebody said if you add K it would be
25 93 percent.

1 DR. SASSON: That was in my affidavit.

2 MS. MUKERJI: It would be some number.

3 MR. MEAD: But it would be higher than 88
4 percent; do you agree with that?

5 MS. MUKERJI: I haven't. I'll take Mayer's
6 affidavit on word, because he did the simulation, yes, I
7 presume it's 93 percent.

8 DR. SASSON: I think it is 92 percent.

9 MS. MUKERJI: Yes, 92 percent, yes, it is a
10 number which will be higher, okay. So Henry can confirm,
11 yes, that is a number.

12 DR. CHAO: Yes, that is a number.

13 MS. MUKERJI: But the fact is when you do an LCR
14 for K through G, G through K, you would then presume that
15 every megawatt in K, whether it's in the tip of Montauk
16 Point, can go to the Hudson valley, you are making that
17 assumption.

18 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Could you model it as an
19 export-constrained zone and not create a new LCR out of it?

20 MS. MUKERJI: That's the whole fundamental
21 problem. If you do the export-constrained zone, my
22 fundamental issue is that is not, that doesn't comport with
23 the whole fundamental structure, that it is based on a
24 reliability probabilistic construct with IRM, LCR's are a
25 probabilistic construct. As soon as you do it with the LCR

1 with the finite transmission limit, it doesn't become
2 a probabilistic construct anymore when you clear the
3 market.

4 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: That's because you are
5 running all of these scenarios so you can set LCR for the
6 next year so you can hit your number.

7 MR. MEAD: What in your view is the difference
8 between a nested zone without export-constraint versus a
9 nested zone with an export-constraint, what is the
10 practical difference between those two scenarios? By the
11 way, I presume that Zone J is an example of a nested zone
12 without an export-constraint.

13 MS. MUKERJI: My issue is if you do it for one
14 area, if you do it for K, I don't see why we shouldn't do
15 it for all 11 areas.

16 MR. MAGER: You are talking about the
17 export-constraints?

18 MR. MEAD: Just so I understand what your
19 understanding of an export-constrained zone is, what does
20 that mean, how does that mean, how does making K an
21 export-constrained zone differ that is nested, how does
22 that differ from making K nested without an
23 export-constrained zone, without an export-constraint?

24 MS. MUKERJI: K can be nested, that means
25 everything in K clears in the new zone. When K

1 is export-constrained it means K is a distinct load area,
2 it has a finite transmission limit which connects it to J
3 and I, and GHIJ, so that's the difference.

4 MR. MEAD: Does that allow for some -- quite
5 apart from the Zone K local requirement that is not going
6 to change, does the fact that K is nested but
7 export-constrained mean that some additional capacity can
8 be located in K for purposes of meeting --

9 MS. MUKERJI: I'm not ensure nested concept fits
10 within an export-constrained concept. If you are export
11 constraining, why nest anything, explicitly recognizing the
12 transmission limit? So this whole nested concept comes
13 from this LCR concept.

14 So my difficulty is if you are going to do that
15 for K, the 11 load zones which all have limited
16 transmission, why don't you do it for all 11.

17 And then the question is how much do you procure
18 for maybe 117 percent for all of the zones, and what the
19 limits will be in the zones, so that's the issue that
20 I'm struggling with and I'm sure that other people are
21 struggling with. You can either take the LCR concept,
22 which lends itself to the question of nesting or not
23 nesting, and we decided not to nest K, or you could break
24 it up into 11 zones in New York, 11 bubbles,
25 export-constrained, and then we have to find out how much

1 we procure in each bubble, what are the transmission
2 limits, and how much flows between the bubbles, which may
3 or may not be what we have in the MARS program.

4 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: It could be something in the
5 middle where you don't do all 11, you just do some subset.

6 MS. MUKERJI: Then you have the difficulty why K
7 and why not A and --

8 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I understand, I understand.
9 I think we have a lot of interesting stuff but --

10 MS. MUKERJI: If you do K then as soon as you
11 put K out, does K then clear in NYCA?

12 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I've got you, Rana, I've got
13 you. We have the last half hour we wanted to let people
14 from the audience also weigh in so --

15 MR. MEAD: I have one more big question I would
16 like to put out there.

17 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: One more big one.

18 MR. MEAD: Maybe it was Ms. Nelson, but somebody
19 in ISO made the remark that Zone K and Zone J are currently
20 nested within NYCA, unconstrained. And I'm having a
21 difficult time understanding why, I understand what the
22 tariff did, but apart from what the tariff requires, I'm
23 having a difficulty understanding why it would be a good
24 policy to treat Zone K differently with respect to its
25 relationship to NYCA, versus with respect to its

1 relationship to G to J.

2 The issue came up in the deficiency letter and I
3 believe that NYISO's answer was at least in part, if you
4 ask, if you add -- well, because K is located within NYCA,
5 then necessarily any additional capacity that you add to K
6 will increase, improve the LOLE for NYCA. But, we
7 shouldn't nest K within G to J because there is not very
8 much reliability benefit that additional capacity in K can
9 provide in G to J.

10 So I guess my question is, taking that last
11 point, will additional capacity in K improve the LOLE in
12 zones A to F?

13 MS. MUKERJI: A through F is not, you have to
14 look at it by definition. A through K, all 11 zones are
15 part of NYCA, because the IRM is based on a NYCA wide
16 representation, if there is a violation in any of the 11
17 zones, there is a violation in NYCA.

18 So the whole probabilistic IRM setting is based
19 on NYCA, so K is part of NYCA, because that's how we set
20 the IRM.

21 Now then you come to the question of when you
22 look at we had G-H separate and K separate before we did
23 the new capacity zone, because each one of them had export
24 limitations, and we didn't refer to them explicitly as
25 export-constraints, we reflected that in the LCR. Then

1 when we did, when we included the new capacity zone the
2 coupling was the East Pleasant Valley line, and then we had
3 the serious determination of whether you nested with J,
4 GHIJ, or you nested with K also.

5 And the reason we nested with J is if you build
6 in J, and you can look at the physical reality of the
7 system, there is 5000 plus megawatts connecting GHI to
8 ConEdison, J. So anything you build in ConEdison can
9 address a need in the Lower Hudson Valley, so it made sense
10 to nest it with J. The K was more of a, was more of a
11 question, and we debated in the stakeholder process and
12 essentially then we said that if you retired capacity in
13 the Lower Hudson Valley and build it in Long Island, you
14 get a reliability violation.

15 And Mayer said that, you know, there are
16 facts that Mayer stated might have caused liability
17 violation is true, because GHI is short by itself. So if
18 you retire stuff and put it in K it doesn't work its way
19 back to GHI.

20 So that's why we said it doesn't make any sense
21 to nest it, because if you nest it, then anything in the
22 western, in the eastern tip of Long Island would be
23 presumed to be helping the reliability issues in GHI, so
24 that's why we didn't nest it.

25 MR. MEAD: But that same capacity cannot

1 possibly help reliability in H through F either, so if the
2 inability of additional capacity in K to help the rest of
3 the new capacity zone's reliability, why doesn't that same
4 principle apply in the decision whether to nest K within --

5 MS. MUKERJI: Because it was already, you do it
6 for the control area, you do reliabilities, you said the
7 IRM. You are not sending our IRM from the G to K or G
8 through H. The fact is since they are part of the IRM
9 setting, and that's why I'm saying, two separate
10 export-constrained zones, I have questions whether it
11 synchs in NYCA or not. So the fact is, by definition K is
12 part of NYCA, so it synchs into NYCA.

13 MR. MEAD: Well, the tariff says K is part of
14 NYCA, I understand that the tariff says that, but I mean
15 when you nest, you allow additional --

16 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Dave, I really do think we
17 need to get to some of the audience.

18 MS. MUKERJI: 30 seconds. Physically that
19 happens because 344 megawatts or whatever, each zone helps
20 each other, and that's why it's part of NYCA. Now, you say
21 then based on this fungibility test it doesn't
22 significantly help any retirements in GHI, and we chose not
23 to do it, but the reason it is not NYCA and not in GHI is
24 because everything is in a part of NYCA.

25 (12:31 p.m. -- recess -- 12:40 p.m.)

1 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: In case we don't get to
2 anybody that needs to speak, we have the post technical
3 conference comments due to by March 26th, and the Answers
4 to those due by April 16th, so, we are going to entertain
5 all comments in case someone doesn't get a chance. We are
6 supposed to end at 1:00, but maybe we can go a few minutes
7 over.

8 MR. YAFFE: Is it necessary that you are going
9 to promulgate additional questions to respond to after
10 this?

11 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I can't really answer whether
12 or not the Commission would want to do that, but for now
13 it's just limited to the two notices that we have issued
14 and those questions. But feel free to expound on what you
15 have heard today. I do want to allow time for the audience
16 to weigh it.

17 MR. CLARKE: I wanted to comment on David's
18 tough questions, but I can wait until after folks have a
19 chance to weigh in, either way.

20 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Okay.

21 MR. VANSHAICK: So, just very quickly, to sum up
22 kind of our position, we have said in data market reports
23 that it would be good to model these transfer limits that
24 are modeled in the IRM study, and to use that as the basis
25 for allowing capacity, certain amounts of capacity to move

1 from one area to another. This would of course require you
2 to you define LCR's for certain regions which, and there
3 would be some nested, some not, but you know, the current
4 framework where you have LCR's and you have an IRM and you
5 have these reliability studies that are based on a loss of
6 load expectation, it seems compatible with the notion of
7 having more areas with these fixed transfer limits between
8 areas.

9 And then probably at some point it's worth
10 considering whether for areas like Long Island having
11 something that's more of a sliding scale that allows some
12 discounted value beyond what the apparent limit is for
13 the -- beyond the point of fungibility.

14 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: At some point being in time
15 for the next demand curve reset?

16 MR. VANSHAICK: Hopefully it's part of the
17 discussion before the next demand curve reset. I
18 realize there's going to be some tradeoffs between what is
19 feasible and what not, but --

20 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Just to understand where you
21 are coming from.

22 MR. VANSHAICK: Yes, but it would allow you to
23 get a better, more efficient distribution of capacity, so
24 ultimately people are going to be asking for implementation
25 costs, but this is multibillion dollar market, and it

1 probably, it's hard the imagine that we couldn't justify
2 the cost of some of these enhancements over time.

3 So because if you lower raw capacity costs you
4 are able to find a more efficient distribution of capacity,
5 just one percent will give you a \$20 to \$40 million annual
6 savings in the overall cost of maintaining reliability. So
7 it seems to me that it's probably well worth the benefit to
8 come up with a pretty robust solution.

9 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Okay. Folks in the audience
10 can just raise their hand, I think maybe if anyone wants to
11 speak. I see Mark Younger.

12 MR. YOUNGER: Yes, Mark Younger from Hudson
13 Energy Economics. I would like to briefly address the
14 broader issue that has come up with a couple times. Rana
15 has said that if you are going to look at an
16 export-constrained relationship for Long Island then you
17 really ought to be looking at 11 zones, and Pallas just
18 referenced something similar.

19 And Jesse, you had asked, well, if you don't
20 have a deliverability constraint why is it worthwhile
21 having different capacity zones. So one reason, and a
22 critical reason is that our deliverability test doesn't
23 capture all of the capacity that's allowed to be in the
24 market. In particular, it doesn't represent special case
25 resources in any manner. And so you could have a situation

1 where market prices between two areas should be separating
2 because there is SDR in the capacity market, but because
3 you are not counting SDR load reduction ability in your
4 deliverability tests, your deliverability tests as you
5 know, have some amount of headroom, and so you don't view
6 that you need a new zone, so that's one reason.

7 Second reason is the deliverability test does
8 not consider potential resources, short term ICAP imports
9 from outside, new resources that might want to come in, the
10 way the deliverability test addresses those items is it
11 says, one, for the ICAP imports, if you want to be here,
12 you have to make a very long term commitment, and if you
13 create a deliverability problem we are going to put the
14 cost on you rather than a multizone market approach that
15 would say, go ahead and come in, you are going to dump in
16 the New York zone that's right next to you right where your
17 import is, if that means you cause a separation the effects
18 would be that you get a slightly lower price as does the
19 rest of that zone you are dumping into, the capacity price
20 starts separating, the market-based approach for providing
21 a signal rather than the deliverability which is more of a
22 command and control approach.

23 And you really can't separate the reasons why
24 you want multiple zones from the fact that we have this
25 periodic deliverability tests that are a way of creating

1 zones.

2 One other benefit of having multiple zones is
3 you could come up with a TCC equivalent for transmission
4 capacity delivery benefit, and create a financial right, if
5 somebody built transmission and, therefore, relieved the
6 ability to move capacity from Zone X to Zone Y or Zone F to
7 Zone G, you could give them in addition to the TCC rights
8 they have today, you could give them a capacity
9 deliverability financial right that would be part of their
10 decision on whether to build the transmission. You can't
11 do that in the existing market models that we have today.

12 And so those are a number of reasons why one
13 might want to do an 11 zone system. I have some
14 disagreement -- well, I would think there would need to be
15 a very large discussion spread across a year or two before
16 you ever went to that. I actually think the implementation
17 would be quite simple, it just takes a simplified model run
18 through the ISO's energy model with the demand curves
19 represented as a price cap load curve, and then, you know,
20 you have a point for Zone A, a point for Zone B, and all
21 the generators would sell there, and then the transmission
22 limits would determine whether the zones all cleared at the
23 same price or where your price separation came from. It
24 would not be that hard to actually implement, although they
25 would have to create a simplified system market.

1 MR. FRANEY: Bart Franey from National Grid, and
2 just a few comments. First of all, I think we are kind of
3 mixing apples and oranges here because we are using a MARS
4 simulation, which does a very good job at measuring what is
5 being referred to as fungibility, but it actually meets
6 what we have called load carrying capabilities, and what
7 that means is just the ability of single megawatt capacity
8 to reliably serve load. So MARS does a good job at that,
9 it does a horrible job at identifying export constraints.

10 So that's why we have a deliverability test that
11 uses load flows, because that measures the capability of
12 the network, it's not designed to measure load carrying
13 capability like MARS is.

14 So, getting back do the crux of the technical
15 conference, I think as far as export-constrained tests go,
16 we already have that, that's the deliverability test, maybe
17 it needs to be done more frequently, but it should
18 certainly be done with a load flow and not MARS.

19 The second issue of this fungibility test, if
20 that's being used to identify whether a zone should be
21 nested or not, I think that you have to look at the
22 analysis, and what the ISO has represented is there is a
23 significant difference that I think you were trying to
24 tease out but it was missed, and that is that the supply
25 condition on Long Island where this test was done was in

1 surplus, 105 percent.

2 So the load carrying capability in Long Island
3 is very small because they don't need it, they have
4 surplus. The load carrying capability for Zone J is one
5 for one because they are deficient.

6 So I would say that if you, pardon my scribbles,
7 but this curve is actually the same as the Zone J curve,
8 it's just we are starting here at a deficiency point.

9 If you did nothing else to the LCR for K, J, GHI
10 but changed the distribution, move capacity out of K, put
11 it in GH and I, this curve would be extended all the way
12 back here, and you would show way more than 300 megawatts
13 maintaining .1. What you are, you are operating here on
14 the K curve at 300, it's that point right there on the J
15 curve.

16 The reason why we have all of these points is
17 because they are deficient with the load carrying
18 capability or the fungibility for J looks a lot more from
19 GHI because they need it, they are short. If you make K
20 artificially short you would see the load carrying
21 capability or fungibility could be an order of magnitude
22 higher.

23 So, I think two things is the analysis is
24 partially done, maybe we need to do more analysis, and as
25 far as export constraint, I think that's a different test,

1 you don't want to use MARS, you want to use deliverability.

2 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I want to make sure, is
3 there anyone else from the audience?

4 Yes, sir.

5 MR. JOHNSON: Shawn Johnson from Entergy Energy.
6 I just want to speak just a little bit from the developer's
7 perspective to really soak it in, keeping in mind the focus
8 of this is the end result of where the price signals we are
9 sending for either build or reduction in supply for the
10 market, and maybe that speaks a little bit to the
11 fungibility aspect, so maybe that argues for the
12 fungibility aspect.

13 I don't know that we are taking a position one
14 way or the other, but if ultimately the result is the
15 market to meet reliability needs us to build and develop on
16 Long Island and that supports reliability for Lower Hudson
17 Valley, then that's great and it should be set up that way.

18 On the flip side, keeping fungibility in mind is
19 if that's what the incentive and the price signal on the
20 market sends for us or someone, and someone builds in Long
21 Island 500 megawatts thus lowering the clearing price by
22 500 megawatts worth of in the ultimately end auction, that
23 will send a price signal as well, and that may be that
24 those existing megawatts in Lower Hudson Valley and G
25 through J today see a price signal of an uneconomic

1 retention and they need to leave the capacity market.

2 So if fungibility is saying that you can't take
3 500 megawatts on Long Island and it's not a than equal
4 replacement of 500 megawatts in Lower Hudson Valley, then
5 that might argue with the idea of leaving Long Island out,
6 in that sense that you are now sending a price signal to
7 build in an area and remove from another area that might
8 not meet that need.

9 I guess that would be our \$.02 on it, keeping in
10 mind that the ultimate end in this is the price signals you
11 are sending to the developers to either retain or enter in
12 that capacity or where that needs to happen.

13 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: Mayer.

14 DR. SASSON: Just a brief point to say that I
15 agree with Mr. Franey, that the starting point of the
16 analysis is not the same for J as for K, for the reasons
17 that he cited, that J is at 86 percent, it's about 2000
18 megawatts short of being fully sustainable by itself, where
19 K is at 104 percent and it's much closer to being fully
20 sustainable by itself at 117 percent.

21 So that accounts for, as you said, the fact that
22 you reach the curve very quickly in K and not in J, which
23 is a resource to load issue, not a transmission export
24 issue, and I think that's the point I think you were
25 making, Bart, and that's the point I have been making all

1 morning, it's not a transmission export issue, it's a
2 resource and load to load issue, and they are different in
3 K than in J, and that's why you have the different graphs
4 that we see today.

5 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: David, I saw you were next.

6 MR. CLARKE: Great, I wanted to answer David's
7 tough question essentially why should Zone K be nested
8 within NYCA but not nested within a G through J zone. I
9 want to kind of go through the way I think about this.

10 It really depends on where the resource
11 inadequacy is located, and this is a recourse inadequacy
12 question, it's a probabilistic question, using a MARS-type
13 resource adequacy analysis.

14 Assuming that G through K zone is using all
15 available upstream capacity, power flows from west to east
16 and north to south, so assuming that you are getting as
17 much support as you can from the upstream zone, where does
18 the next piece of capacity have to come from to meet a
19 resource inadequacy in a G through J zone? You're getting
20 as much as you can from upstream, all of it has to come
21 from Long Island, essentially.

22 So all the draws that you are taking to figure
23 out whether or not you can use Long Island capacity to
24 serve inadequacy in G through J, all of those draws would
25 be subject to the exit constraints from Long Island, the

1 amounts that you can move out of Long Island. If you add
2 new capacity, if you add extra capacity on Long Island
3 doesn't help a whole lot in making that a whole lot better
4 if you are already above the exit constraint for G through
5 J.

6 But what happens when you have a resource
7 inadequacy issue in A through F, an upstream resource
8 inadequacy? You have different options for addressing
9 that, you have G through J capacity, you have K capacity.
10 So when you are doing your draws, remember that
11 three-quarters of the capacity in the G through K zone is
12 in G through J, and one quarter is in Long Island.

13 So if are doing all the draws that you have, and
14 there is hundreds of units in that region, so when you are
15 doing all of the draws there is a lot of ways that you can
16 serve an A through F need from capacity anywhere from G
17 through K that do not hit the resource constraint, the exit
18 constraint. It's not the case when you are trying to
19 address a resource inadequacy in the G through J zone.

20 I can give you an example, let's say of a 250
21 megawatt example, so for example if you have 250 megawatts
22 that is inadequate in Zones A through F, you could address
23 that with 200 megawatt sufficiency or surplus in G through
24 J and a 50 megawatt surplus in Long Island wouldn't hit a
25 250 megawatt exit constraint, 100 megawatts in G through J

1 and 150 megawatts on Long Island, it wouldn't hit the
2 constraint, so there's a lot of draws you could take that
3 would not hit the constraint.

4 Now, likewise let's say you had a 250 megawatt
5 deficiency in G through J, you would then -- in the 250
6 megawatt exit limit, you have got to get it all, and it's
7 limited coming from A through F, you have got it to A
8 through K, and so you would hit the constraint.

9 So I think that's the difference between why you
10 would consider Long Island nested in the NYCA zone and not
11 consider it nested within a G through J, not consider
12 nesting it within the G through J zone.

13 MR. MEAD: I'm going to guess that capacity in A
14 through F is not fungible with capacity in K.

15 MR. CLARKE: That's correct.

16 MR. MEAD: Okay. So despite the fact that A to
17 F capacity is not fungible with K, why is it that -- and
18 you have also concluded that capacity above a certain small
19 amount in G to J is not fungible with K, why is the lack of
20 fungibility between G to J and K dispositive of making K a
21 nested zone within that new capacity zone, but the lack of
22 fungibility between A to F and K is irrelevant for purposes
23 of making K nested within NYCA?

24 MR. CLARKE: K can serve many of the resource
25 inadequacies in A through F.

1 MR. MEAD: But if we add -- I thought the whole
2 point here was if we add -- the definition of fungibility,
3 if we add additional capacity in K, will that -- and reduce
4 it in the rest of the zone, in this particular case A to F,
5 will the LOLE stay the same? If the answer is no, then the
6 capacity is not fungible. And I, you know, since the only
7 way to get capacity from K to A to F is through G to J --

8 MR. CLARKE: Let me go through my example.
9 Let's say you put an extra 50 megawatts on Long Island, and
10 we are in the circumstance where A through F has a 250
11 megawatt exit limit and 250 megawatts of inadequacy in A
12 through F. Now, I have posited a case where you had 200
13 megawatts in G through J and 50 megawatts on Long Island.
14 Now we are saying, okay, instead of 50 megawatts on Long
15 Island we have added an additional 50 megawatts, so now we
16 have 200 megawatts in G through J and 100 megawatts on Long
17 Island, that still does not hit the Long Island exit
18 constraint.

19 The other case that I posited was the 100
20 megawatts in G through J and 150 on Long Island, you add a
21 50, it's 100 in G through J and 200 on Long Island, that
22 still doesn't hit the exit constraint. So adding capacity
23 on Long Island doesn't necessarily, it's a probability
24 question, and adding capacity on Long Island does not
25 necessarily impact the limit, it's much less likely if you

1 are drawing from all the capacity in the G through K zone
2 that you are going to get the Long Island requirement, even
3 if you have added extra capacity on Long Island.

4 MR. MEAD: Why is there no exit limit in looking
5 at capacity from A to F and K, but there is an exit limit
6 with capacity from G to J to K?

7 MR. CLARKE: There is an exit limit, whether
8 implicit, and if you ask the NYISO to do the same
9 fungibility analysis that they have already done for GHI
10 and K, it is likely -- and instead do it for instance F and
11 K, it is likely that you would get a very similar result to
12 the one they already got in their fungibility analysis, and
13 it is a realistic question of whether there should be a
14 maximum limit on the amount of capacity that can be located
15 on Long Island and count towards anything.

16 DR. SASSON: Are you asking the question, David,
17 why is the transfer capability higher in one direction than
18 the other?

19 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think Mr. Younger answered
20 your question.

21 MR. MEAD: Yes, I think he did.

22 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think since we are past the
23 timeline, but Pallas and then did you want to?

24 MR. YAFFE: I would like to make just one
25 comment, and it's more about nomenclature. When we walked

1 in it wasn't entirely clear to some of us who are deeply
2 involved in doing simulations exactly what the implications
3 of an exit-constrained zone is.

4 MR. MEAD: Export.

5 MR. YAFFE: If we are talking about using it as
6 a modeling concept and letting the market result be
7 whatever it is, as is roughly the case now, if I can
8 grossly generalize where the modeling is done to create the
9 IRM to determine the local capacity requirements based on
10 the simulations to meet reliability, and the markets clear
11 according to the demand curve, however they clear, but
12 that's a separate, that's a separate mechanism, then let's
13 make sure that going forward on trying to define, whether
14 to require consideration of an export-constrained zone or
15 not would be very clear whether we are talking about simply
16 do that for modeling or whether there are going to be
17 commercial consequences, because if the two get mixed up,
18 then from Long Island's perspective, not -- with due regard
19 to my friend from Central Hudson, not all of the generation
20 is controlled by the Long Island Power Authority, and there
21 are export limits and the question gets to be who gets to
22 bid into the market and what.

23 So I think I just lay out that caution going
24 forward.

25 CHAIRMAN HENSLEY: I think since this is a Zone

1 K conference it seems appropriate to end on Long Island and
2 we will look forward to your comments. Thank you.

3 (Whereupon, at 1:04 p.m., the meeting was
4 concluded.)

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