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

Re: Revisions to ISO New England Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff Related to Competitive Auctions with Sponsored Policy Resources  
Docket No. ER18-___ -000  

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act,¹ ISO New England Inc. (the “ISO” or “ISO-NE”) hereby submits this transmittal letter and revisions to the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (the “Tariff”)² to modify the Forward Capacity Market (“FCM”) to better accommodate states’ out-of-market procurements. Specifically, the rules presented herewith, known as “Competitive Auctions with Sponsored Policy Resources” or “CASPR,” include financial incentives for existing resources to transfer their capacity obligations to new sponsored policy resources and to permanently exit the capacity market. In support of CASPR, the ISO also offers the attached testimony of its Economist, Christopher Geissler (the “Geissler Testimony”).

As discussed below, the ISO has proposed CASPR to meet the region’s objectives of accommodating the entry of sponsored new resources into the FCM over time and maintaining competitive capacity pricing. Because these objectives are fundamentally in tension, the ISO has had to make a number of design decisions to balance these objectives — and, wherever possible, has elected to prioritize the preservation of competitive prices in FCM.³

² Capitalized terms used but not defined herein are intended to have the meaning given to such terms in the Tariff.
³ The tension between these two objectives is a familiar one. In fact, the Commission grappled with this issue when it rejected the complaint of the New England States Committee on Electricity to require ISO-NE to adopt a renewables exemption. New England States Committee on Electricity v. ISO New England Inc., 142 FERC ¶ 61,108 (2013), reh’g denied, 151 FERC ¶ 61,056 (2015). In that case, the Commission said that it had balanced
As noted in Section VI of this filing letter, the ISO requests that the bulk of the CASPR rules become effective on March 9, 2018, coincident with the beginning of the approximately year-long auction-administration cycle for the thirteenth Forward Capacity Auction (“FCA”). This auction is the first opportunity for FCM participation by up to 1,200 MW of nameplate clean energy supply to be procured by Massachusetts pursuant to statute.

As discussed herein, the CASPR rules do not provide a guarantee that these resources will acquire a CSO at their first opportunity. However, without the CASPR rules, these resources are unlikely to clear FCA 13, and ratepayers will pay both for these resources and the cost of the capacity procured in FCM.

I. PROBLEM STATEMENT AND OBJECTIVES

Below, the ISO reviews the challenges that led to the CASPR proposal, and the ISO’s design objectives.

A. Problem Statement

Over the past decade, the New England states have sought to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and meet climate goals through various mechanisms outside of the ISO-administered competitive wholesale markets. These mechanisms include mandates that state-regulated utilities enter into long-term contracts with renewable resource developers.4

These out-of-market actions could have adverse consequences for FCM. Specifically, resources that reflect their out-of-market contract revenue in their FCM offers and clear in the market can depress market prices for many years. Price suppression alters the market’s ability to retain and justly compensate needed existing resources and to attract new, competitively-compensated resources. Moreover, if competitive new entry does occur, its cost can be substantially increased.5

To preserve competitive pricing in FCM, the current FCM rules subject new capacity resources to a Minimum Offer Price Rule (“MOPR”), which requires these sponsored assets to bid into FCM at their (often high) unsubsidized cost.6 The result is that the MOPR

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4 Some New England states have established legal requirements, while others have non-binding goals, related to emissions reductions.

5 Geissler Testimony at pp. 8-9.

6 Tariff at Section III.A.21.1 et seq.
precludes many of these resources from obtaining Capacity Supply Obligations (‘‘CSOs’’) in the annual FCAs.7

The New England states have expressed concern that the MOPR may cause electricity consumers to “pay twice”: once for the cost of the capacity procured in the FCM, and a second time for the additional generation capacity obtained through the out-of-market contracts with preferred policy resources.8 In other words, the region could develop more generation resources than the ISO requires to operate the power system – at an unnecessarily high total cost to consumers.

To address the states’ concerns, effective with FCA 9 (conducted in 2015), the market rules include a Renewable Technology Resource (‘‘RTR’’) exemption to the MOPR. The RTR exemption was adopted as part of a package of changes filed with the initial downward sloping demand curve in FCM.9 The RTR exemption allows 200 MW/year (cumulating to 600 MW) of certain types of sponsored renewable resources to offer into FCM without application of the MOPR.10 While this exemption may help to reduce the potential “overbuild” of the system, generators and other stakeholders in New England have litigated the RTR exemption on the grounds that it results in unjust and unreasonable price suppression.11

Each of the six New England states has adopted renewable targets, and some of the states have recently increased both their targets and their efforts to promote the development of specific state-preferred new generation resources. These efforts include the Multi-State Clean Energy request for proposals, which aims to procure 460 MW of new renewable

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7 “The purpose of the minimum offer price rule is to prevent net buyers, in general, from bidding resources in such a manner as to suppress FCM prices.” Order on Rehearing (ISO New England Inc.), 158 FERC ¶ 61,138 at P 48 (2017) (“RTR Exemption Remand Rehearing Order”). See also Geissler Testimony at pp. 10-15 for more detail on the operation of the MOPR.

8 See the New England States Committee on Electricity’s Policies and Markets Problem Statement (May 17, 2016), p. 2 at http://nepool.com/uploads/IMAP_20160517_Problem_Statement.pdf (“At best, additional consumer costs occur when the capacity market does not consider such resources, so that consumers purchase a public policy resource and are then forced to purchase some redundant capacity in the market”).


10 To be eligible for the RTR exemption, a resource must qualify under state renewable or alternative energy portfolio standards as in effect on January 1, 2014 (or, in states without a portfolio standard, qualify under that state’s renewable energy goals as a renewable resource) in the state where the resource is geographically located. Tariff Section III.13.1.1.7. See also Geissler Testimony at pp. 16-19.

11 ISO New England Inc. and New England Power Pool Participants Committee, 155 FERC ¶ 61,023 at P 16 (2016) (“RTR Exemption Remand Order”). See also RTR Exemption Remand Rehearing Order at P 48: “in balancing customers’ and generators’ interests to ensure just and reasonable FCM prices, it is reasonable for the Commission to provide a limited exemption for state-subsidized resources that are not intended to suppress capacity prices (even if they may do so), so that customers may avoid having to pay for duplicative capacity. Otherwise, without the renewables exemption, the capacity market would signal that new resources are needed when, in actual fact, they are not.”
resources, and the 2016 Massachusetts Energy Diversity Act, which requires clean energy procurements in the range of 2,800 MW.\textsuperscript{12}

These to-be-procured resources will likely exceed or not qualify for the RTR exemption, resulting in a potentially significant overbuild of the system – against the backdrop of a New England power system that already has substantially more capacity than required. As a result of the increase in the quantities of capacity being procured outside the ISO-administered markets, the states, NEPOOL and the ISO sought a better way to integrate these state policies into the competitive wholesale markets.

B. Design Objectives

Last year, the region launched discussions on integrating markets and public policy (known as “IMAPP”).\textsuperscript{13} Following the discussion of various proposed methods for accommodating or achieving state goals, including a region-wide carbon price, it was clear that the region would not reach consensus in the time allotted. Based on those discussions, the ISO agreed to develop a proposal that would meet the following four principal design objectives:

1) **Competitive capacity pricing.** Maintain competitively-based capacity auction prices by minimizing the price-suppressive effect of out-of-market subsidies on competitive (i.e., unsubsidized) resources in the FCA.

2) **Accommodation of the entry of new sponsored policy resources into FCM over time.** Reduce the potential for New England to develop more resources on the power system than the ISO requires to reliably operate it.

3) **Avoidance of cost shifts.** To the extent possible, decrease the potential for one state’s consumers to bear the costs of other states’ subsidies.

4) **A transparent, market-based approach.** Seek a practical solution approach that extends, rather than upends, the region’s existing capacity market framework.\textsuperscript{14}

\textsuperscript{12} These figures represent nameplate capacity, which, depending on the technology, may be larger than the capacity values that are qualified in FCM. For more information on the Multi-State Clean Energy request for proposals, see \url{https://cleanenergyrfp.com/}. Regarding the 2016 Massachusetts Energy Diversity Act, see \url{https://www.mass.gov/news/governor-baker-signs-comprehensive-energy-diversity-legislation}.

\textsuperscript{13} For IMAPP materials and meeting dates, see \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/committees/participants/wholesale-markets-state-public-policy-initiative}.

\textsuperscript{14} For more information, see the ISO’s April 2017 discussion paper at \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/04/caspr_discussion_paper_april_14_2017.pdf}. Note that these objectives do not explicitly encompass some of the longer-term goals that were articulated in the IMAPP process, such as the reduction of the power sector’s greenhouse gas emissions. Doing so would be a lengthy, multi-year effort and require substantial resources from both stakeholders and the ISO. See the ISO’s Discussion Paper on \textit{NEPOOL 2016 IMAPP Proposals}, available at \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/03/iso-ne_jan_2017_imapp_memo_vtransmit2.pdf}. 
The first objective seeks to preserve FCM’s central purpose – to establish competitive prices that will retain and attract sufficient resources to meet the region’s reliability objectives in a cost-effective manner. The second objective addresses the states’ concerns about “paying twice” due to the development of substantially more total electric generation resources than the ISO requires to reliably operate the power system. The third objective addresses an additional concern regarding inadvertent cost shifts within the region that was emphasized by the New England states during the IMAPP process. Finally, the fourth objective is a practical one that expresses the ISO’s intention to develop a robust solution that will continue to function properly as market fundamentals change over time, employs sound economic principles where possible, and minimizes non-economic administrative parameters.

As mentioned above, these design objectives are in tension. The first two goals are diametrically opposed, given the difficulty of ensuring competitive prices while also allowing sponsored new resources to enter FCM; sponsored resources’ uneconomic (subsidized) entry tends to increase total capacity supply, thereby depressing market prices. Because of this fundamental tension, there is no perfect solution to the region’s objectives, and it is unlikely that all of these design objectives can be simultaneously achieved to all stakeholders’ satisfaction.

The market design outlined herein is an attempt to balance these goals. That said, as will be demonstrated below, the ISO has favored the preservation of competitively-based capacity pricing in a number of its design choices, because FCM’s capacity clearing price guides competitive entry and exit decisions for the region, is essential to achieving the region’s resource adequacy over the long term, and is the basis for billions of dollars in payments to more than 30 GW of capacity resources each year – a sum that determines FCM’s cost to consumers.

II. OVERVIEW OF CASPR PROPOSAL AND ITS EXPECTED IMPACTS

This section provides a broad overview of the CASPR proposal, its expected impacts on prices and reliability, and its replacement of the existing RTR exemption.

A. Overview of CASPR

To best satisfy the articulated objectives, the ISO proposes to conduct the FCA in two stages. In the first stage (the primary auction), the ISO clears the FCA similarly to today, with new resources subject to the existing MOPR. The primary auction employs the ISO’s

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16 Geissler Testimony at pp. 24-26.

17 Id. at p. 80.

18 As will be discussed below, the ISO proposes to phase out the RTR exemption to the MOPR through FCA 15.
sloped system and zonal capacity demand curves, and awards CSOs to the set of capacity bids and offers that maximize social surplus. Like today, existing resources that submit priced retirement bids below the FCA clearing price are awarded CSOs.

In the second stage, which immediately follows the primary auction, the ISO administers a new, voluntary secondary market known as a substitution auction. In the substitution auction, existing capacity resources that retained CSOs in the primary auction and are willing to exit the markets permanently (“demand”) may transfer their CSOs (in their entirety) to sponsored policy resources that did not acquire capacity obligations in the primary auction and are willing to sell capacity in the second stage (“supply”). The transferring resources must pay the sponsored resources a portion of their capacity revenue, and then permanently retire from the wholesale markets.

More specifically, an existing resource on the demand side of the substitution auction bids at the (highest) price it is willing to pay to shed its CSO. Since no MOPR is applied in the substitution auction, a new sponsored supply resource is allowed to account for out-of-market revenues and offer at the lowest price at which it is willing to accept a CSO. The substitution auction serves to match all of these voluntary offers of participating supply (new sponsored resources) and demand (existing resources), and therefore does not require the use of an administratively-determined capacity demand curve. Procedurally, this matching of supply offers and demand bids will be performed as a sealed-bid auction. Conceptually, the substitution auction’s clearing price and quantity are determined at the intersection of that auction’s supply and demand curves.

Sponsored new resources that clear in the substitution auction take on the same obligations and rights—including the Pay For Performance obligations—as resources that sell capacity in the primary auction. In future years’ FCAs, they are treated as existing resources and therefore not subject to the MOPR provisions. Sponsored resources that do not clear in the substitution auction are free to participate as new capacity resources in the primary and substitution auctions the following year.

By closely coordinating the entry (of sponsored) and exit (of retiring) capacity resources, CASPR meets the two most significant objectives outlined above—maintaining competitive FCM pricing and allowing sponsored resources into the FCM. Because an existing resource that sheds its obligation in the substitution auction must permanently exit the market, the design will not allow these retiring resources to re-enter the capacity market through a later reconfiguration auction or in a subsequent commitment period. This restriction helps to prevent the system’s aggregate obligated capacity level from increasing.

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19 The substitution auction is described in new Tariff Section III.13.2.8 et seq.

20 On some occasions, this intersection will not occur and side payments are paid to demand. See Section III.D.2, infra.

21 In New England, the MOPR is only applied to new resources. See Geissler Testimony at pp. 35-36 for an explanation of the rationale for treating these sponsored resources as existing in future auctions.
above the competitive level over time – and, therefore, helps prevent the primary auction’s clearing price from decreasing below the competitive level. Furthermore, by allowing sponsored resources to take on obligations via the substitution auction and become existing resources when they displace older resources that elect to retire, CASPR accommodates such resources into the FCM at a pace that should not adversely impact capacity prices.

A key feature of CASPR’s two-stage capacity auction process is its settlement. Each resource’s final payment will be determined by a familiar, well-established process – the two-settlement system for sequential auctions. Specifically, capacity payments and supply obligations are determined by the two auction stages in a manner that is analogous to the two-settlement process in the ISO’s day-ahead and real-time energy markets. That is, all resources that clear in the primary auction are credited at the first-stage FCA clearing price, and then each resource that acquires or sheds an obligation in the second-stage substitution auction is credited or charged for the change (or deviation) in its CSO at the substitution auction’s clearing price.

Because no MOPR is applied in the substitution auction, sponsored new resources seeking CSOs can offer at, and the substitution auction will tend to clear at, a lower price than the primary auction. Accordingly, existing resources that clear as demand in the substitution auction are generally able to shed their obligations at a lower price than they receive in the primary auction, and retain a one-time net payment equal to the difference between the (higher) FCA clearing price and the (lower) substitution auction clearing price (much like a severance payment for permanently retiring).

Please refer to the Geissler Testimony at pages 40-60 for a detailed example and explanation of this transparent two-settlement extension of the existing FCM, including clearing, pricing, and settlement.

**B. Expected Impacts of the CASPR Design**

In this section, the ISO reviews CASPR’s impacts on system reliability and on FCA bidding and pricing. Regarding reliability, most broadly, by aligning the quantity of qualified sponsored new capacity that is sold with the precise quantity of existing qualified capacity that voluntarily agrees to exit, the substitution auction does not change the total quantity of CSOs (and does not change (neither helps nor harms) the system’s resource adequacy).

That said, the ISO recognizes that CASPR’s net payment to retiring resources increases the incentive for higher-cost existing resources to exit the capacity market, and many of these will be older oil- and coal-fired units, which can be valuable in a region that is largely dependent on natural gas. While, in principle, these retirements may exacerbate ISO-

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22 By design, the substitution auction will never clear at a higher price than the primary auction; see Geissler Testimony at pp. 101, 136-137.
NE’s fuel security concerns, some of these existing oil- and coal-fired units that are 40 or more years old could likely retire without materially decreasing the amount of non-gas generation actually able to supply energy in the region, especially if they are replaced with non-gas resources.

In addition, CASPR will continue FCM’s current practice of assessing the local reliability impacts of resources that are entering and exiting the capacity market. On the demand side, the ISO will review the potential local reliability impact of each existing resource that intends to participate (and potentially retire) in the substitution auction. If the capacity is needed for local reliability reasons, it will not be entered into the substitution auction. Meanwhile, on the supply side, new sponsored resources seeking to acquire a CSO will have completed the ISO’s qualification review – like all new resources initially participating in FCM.

Regarding the impact of the substitution auction on primary auction prices: in general, the substitution auction does not affect the capacity payments established in the primary auction for the system’s existing non-retiring resources and any competitive new resources that sell their capacity in the primary auction. Similarly, the total capacity cost allocated to load-serving entities is determined in the primary auction, and generally is not impacted by the outcome of the substitution auction.

While the substitution auction leaves the primary auction’s mechanics unchanged, some stakeholders worried that the substitution auction could change bidding behavior in the FCA. In particular, some stakeholders posited that public entities may sponsor new resources on the supply side with the intent of replacing higher-cost existing resources in the substitution auction and – despite the ISO’s explanations about replacing them at a one-for-one MW rate –thereby lowering the FCA clearing price.

The ISO has evaluated a variety of scenarios, and concluded that the substitution of a sponsored resource for an existing resource could result in a modest decrease in future FCA prices when two conditions are satisfied – (1) the new resource that displaces the existing resource via the substitution auction is infra-marginal in future FCAs, and (2) if current rules persisted, the existing resource would become extra-marginal (at least in part) and the existing MOPR provisions would have prevented the new resource from selling its capacity.

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25 See revised Tariff at Section III.13.2.5.2.5. See also Geissler Testimony at pp. 184-187.

26 Tariff Section III.13.1 et seq. See also Geissler Testimony at p. 61.

27 Geissler Testimony at pp. 56-58.
in the FCA. These conditions would be difficult for the sponsor to predict. Thus, it is unlikely that public entities will be able to successfully sponsor new resources for the purpose of lowering FCM costs. Moreover, any such primary auction impacts will be muted by the slope of the FCA’s current capacity demand curve and the effects of the Pay For Performance changes to FCM on all resources’ FCA bid and offer prices.\(^{28}\)

Stakeholders were also concerned that, on the demand side, resources that may potentially retire through the substitution auction may “shade” their bids lower in the primary auction to improve their chances of retaining their obligations in the primary auction and then buying out in the substitution auction. While the likelihood and impact of such bidding behavior is dependent on many factors, the primary auction clearing price would be affected only if the retiring resource would not sell capacity in the primary auction but for the shaded bid (or would be marginal if it offered at its true costs). Importantly, potential retirees engaging in this behavior would run the significant risk that they would retain their CSO at a lower capacity clearing price, and as a result receive compensation that is less than their cost.\(^{29}\)

Some stakeholders proposed that, in order to detect and mitigate any potential bid shading, the Internal Market Monitor review the primary auction bids of existing resources that choose to participate in the substitution auction. Specifically, any existing resource that wishes to submit a demand bid into the substitution auction would submit information concerning its cost of retaining a CSO to the Internal Market Monitor for review. The Monitor would create its own estimate of the resource’s competitive bid price for the primary auction, and the resource would not be allowed into the substitution auction if its primary auction bid is significantly lower than the Market Monitor’s determined price.

While ISO-NE does not believe that bid shading is a significant risk under CASPR because the anticipated pricing impacts are limited and the risks are high, the ISO does not oppose enhancing FCM’s mitigation rules to further deter this behavior (nor does the Internal Market Monitor). That said, the associated mitigation process enhancements cannot be implemented in time for FCA 13, the administration of which will begin in early March 2018. Accordingly, the ISO and the Internal Market Monitor will work with stakeholders in 2018 to develop a mitigation-related proposal to address this issue. The ISO will target FCA 14 for implementation.

\(^{28}\) Id. at pp. 113-119. As stated in this section of the Geissler Testimony, this price impact cannot be fully ameliorated in any design that accommodates sponsored new resources in FCM over time. The only way to prevent any intertemporal FCA pricing effects that are caused by the entry of sponsored policy resources that offer to sell capacity at low prices is to exclude these resources from the market. Such designs fail to meet the second design objective, as they do not accommodate sponsored new resources into FCM.

\(^{29}\) Id. at pp. 119-126.
C. **Replacement of the RTR Exemption**

As noted above, FCM promotes competitive capacity prices through the MOPR, which effectively excludes most sponsored resources from participating in FCM. Because state renewable energy and environmental policies require the development of new sponsored resources that will likely not clear the FCA, potentially requiring consumers to pay for duplicative resources, the RTR exemption currently lets a set amount of these sponsored resources bypass the MOPR and offer at low prices that account for their out-of-market payments. Through this administrative mechanism, FCM seeks to accommodate state policy while pursuing its core objective of ensuring competitive prices.30

In approving the RTR exemption, the Commission relied on the ISO’s assertion that the risk of market price suppression was acceptable, because it would be minimized by load growth, retirements, and the initial demand curve with which it was filed.31 In its 2014 filing, the ISO noted:

> Under a demand curve, as long as exempted renewable entry does not exceed average annual load growth, and consequent growth in the installed capacity requirement, there will not be systematic downward pressure on prices. The Renewable Technology Resources limit is therefore set at the ISO’s estimate of average annual load growth (net of energy efficiency) of 189 MW, plus an adjustment for the reserve margin required to meet the installed capacity requirement, resulting in 200 MW as a reasonable Renewable Technology Resources cap that also accommodates the states' renewable energy goals. By virtue of setting the Renewable Technology Resources limit at the estimate of annual load growth, Renewable Technology Resources entry, even in the unlikely event it occurs up to the cap value, can be expected primarily to displace the new entry required to meet load growth. In such a circumstance, an FCM in equilibrium would still be expected [to] clear near Net CONE [cost of new entry], and merchant entry would be required to meet retirements, which are expected to be

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30 “While the Commission is responsible for maintaining well-functioning markets, states have jurisdiction over generation and set renewable resources targets and renewable portfolio standards. One purpose of capacity markets is to send appropriate price signals regarding where and when new resources are needed. If renewable resources are being built, but are not reflected in the FCM, then the FCM may send an incorrect signal to construct new capacity that is not needed. Not only would the capacity market send an incorrect signal, but customers would have to pay for capacity twice – first, for renewable resources via out-of-market mechanisms and second, for additional capacity that is procured because the capacity market has sent the incorrect signal that additional capacity is needed.” RTR Exemption Remand Rehearing Order at P 9 (citations omitted).

31 Regarding retirements, “ISO-NE estimates that resource retirements are predicted to far exceed the exemption cap, increasing the need for new capacity in ISO-NE, and mitigating the price impact of the renewables exemption.” RTR Exemption Remand Order at P 53. Regarding the sloped demand curve and load growth, the Commission noted that, “while exemptions in general can lower prices,” potential price suppression would be mitigated by the sloped demand curve and the limitation of the exemption to an amount that would merely displace the new entry required to meet load growth. Order Denying Rehearing, Providing Clarification and Directing Further Compliance Filing, 150 FERC ¶ 61,065 at PP 20-21(2015) (“Demand Curve Rehearing Order”) (citations omitted).

Three years later, the ISO’s expectations have not materialized, and the RTR exemption now presents a greater risk of price suppression. Specifically, the region now has significant excess capacity; in FCA 11, FCM procured excess resources amounting to 1,760 MW over the net Installed Capacity Requirement (“NICR”).\footnote{Results of the Annual Forward Capacity Auctions at \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/markets#fcaresults}. Those results indicate that FCA 11 acquired 35,835 MW, amounting to 1,760 MW over the NICR of 34,075.} As a result, FCM cleared well below the Net Cost of New Entry (“CONE”) in FCA11.\footnote{FCA 11 cleared at $5.30. \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/markets#fcaresults}. Net CONE for FCA 11 was $11.64. Spreadsheet of all FCM Parameters at \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/markets-operations/markets/forward-capacity-market}.} Exacerbating this situation, Massachusetts is expected to contract for approximately 2,800 MW (nameplate value) of sponsored new supply resources to meet legislative mandates, and the region has not experienced the expected load growth. On the latter point, for FCA 12, NICR declined to 33,725 MW from 34,075 in FCA 11.\footnote{Summary of Historical Installed Capacity Requirements and Related Values at \url{https://www.iso-ne.com/system-planning/resource-planning/installed-capacity-requirements}.} There were small declines in FCAs 9 and 10 as well.\footnote{Id.} Under these conditions, the market may continue to clear well below Net CONE for the foreseeable future.\footnote{The region would need retirements in the amount of more than 3,000 MW within a year to return to the point of clearing at a price level near the cost of new entry, where the FCA might again attract competitive new supply.}

Given these changes in market conditions (including the states’ accelerated out-of-market procurements), ISO-NE believes that it is prudent to phase out the RTR exemption and replace it with CASPR now. CASPR improves on the existing RTR exemption in two ways. First, the substitution auction will accommodate a broader range of new technology resources, including the large-scale hydro resources that Massachusetts may procure, than are allowed under the current RTR exemption. Second, unlike the existing RTR exemption, the substitution auction is a market-based approach that will accommodate sponsored new entry while more effectively preventing it from depressing capacity market prices.

By matching the pace at which sponsored new resources enter the capacity market through the substitution auction to the rate at which existing resources exit through the substitution auction, CASPR – unlike the RTR exemption – preserves competitively-based capacity prices in the FCA. That is, by design, CASPR reduces the potential for capacity
price suppression, rectifying a concern that has spurred litigation before the Commission (and the courts) since the RTR exemption’s initial filing.

When it approved the RTR exemption, the Commission recognized that ISO-NE would revisit the design. The Commission also recognized that there could be a better means of accommodating state policies: “While a limited exemption of renewables from the minimum offer price rule is one way to reconcile the differences between state policy goals and the FCM’s function of meeting reliability targets, there may be other market designs to achieve this result.” In this case, as when the Commission approved PJM’s elimination of its MOPR exemption for state-sponsored renewables, there is “mounting evidence of risk from what was previously only a theoretical weakness in the MOPR rules.” Given the changed market conditions, the risk warrants elimination of the RTR exemption – especially given that CASPR is a superior alternative to accommodate sponsored policy resources.

Some of the New England states have argued for the preservation of the RTR exemption, either with or without CASPR, because they want a guarantee that some amount of sponsored renewable resources will obtain CSOs each year. But such guarantees are antithetical to competitive markets; instead, CASPR is a market-based mechanism that will accommodate state entry over time, to the extent FCM can accommodate sponsored resources without suppressing competitively-based capacity prices.

Nonetheless, ISO-NE understands that the states have valid concerns about consumers paying for excess capacity. Accordingly, as with other markets, ISO-NE will assess the performance of CASPR. Should CASPR not achieve its intended purpose of accommodating state entry over time, ISO-NE commits to working with stakeholders to refine or replace it.

Finally, it should be noted that, while the RTR exemption and substitution auction can coexist from an implementation standpoint, the continued presence of the RTR exemption would wholly undermine the efficacy of the substitution auction. Given the choice, sponsored new resources would never use the substitution auction (where they would typically receive a lower first-year capacity price) if the RTR exemption (with its higher primary auction price) is available to them instead.

All that said, the ISO recognizes that abrupt changes to existing market rules can have adverse impacts on investments that are already underway. In order to minimize such

38 RTR Exemption Rehearing Order at P 20.
39 RTR Exemption Remand Rehearing Order at P 12.
40 Order Accepting Proposed Tariff Conditions, Subject to Conditions, and Addressing Related Complaint, 135 FERC 61,022 at P 139 (2011).
adverse effects, the ISO has agreed to phase out the RTR exemption by allowing accrued exempt MWs (currently 514 MW) to be used through FCA 15, to be conducted in 2021.\textsuperscript{41}

III. DETAILED DESIGN FEATURES OF CASPR

Below, the ISO provides detail on some of the key features of CASPR, including the definitions of supply and demand, bid flexibility, clearing and pricing, the CASPR schedule, and CASPR’s interactions with recent retirement bid reforms.

A. Definition of Supply

In this section, ISO-NE outlines substitution auction supply eligibility and the reasons why it is appropriately limited.

1. Definition

To participate as supply in the substitution auction, a resource must be eligible to sell capacity in the FCA as a new capacity resource, i.e., it has completed the new resource qualification process. The resource must then fail to clear in the primary auction economically (likely because of the application of the MOPR) and voluntarily elect to participate in the subsequent substitution auction. Furthermore, the resource must satisfy the definition of a Sponsored Policy Resource.\textsuperscript{42}

The ISO’s definition limits supply-side entities participating in the substitution auction to renewable, clean or alternative resources that receive revenue from a state or municipal government entity outside of the ISO-administered markets (“out-of-market” revenue). This definition reflects one of the key objectives of the CASPR proposal (and the IMAPP process that preceded it) – namely, to accommodate state-directed procurements to meet their legislated renewable and clean-energy resource requirements.\textsuperscript{43}

\textsuperscript{41} See revised Tariff Section III.13.1.2.9 for the phase-out and new Section III.13.1.2.10(e) for the cap. Within Sections III.13.1.2.9 and III.13.1.2.10, certain deadlines relating to the election of the RTR exemption and ISO-NE review thereof were also adjusted to address overlapping activity windows.

\textsuperscript{42} As set forth in revised Section I.2.2 of the Tariff submitted herewith, the definition of “Sponsored Policy Resource” is:

\textbf{Sponsored Policy Resource} is a New Capacity Resource that: receives an out-of-market revenue source supported by a government-regulated rate, charge or other regulated cost recovery mechanism, and; qualifies as a renewable, clean or alternative energy resource under a renewable energy portfolio standard, clean energy standard, alternative energy portfolio standard, renewable energy goal, or clean energy goal enacted (either by statute or regulation) in the New England state from which the resource receives the out-of-market revenue source and that is in effect on January 1, 2018.

\textit{See also} new Tariff Section III.13.2.8.2.1 for the rules governing participation by supply. New Tariff Sections III.13.2.8.2.2 and III.13.2.8.2.3 cover supply offer prices and certain technical adjustments that may be made to supply offers prior to the substitution auction.

\textsuperscript{43} http://nescoe.com/resource-center/imapp-feedback-memo-april-2017/.
The requirement that the resource receive out-of-market revenue is intended to be broadly consistent with the current use of that concept by the Internal Market Monitor for purposes of setting a new resource’s minimum offer price in the FCA. This provision is not intended to be overly restrictive, as resources that do not receive out-of-market revenues will naturally take the more advantageous route of submitting offers at their preferred price in the primary auction (meaning they do not need the substitution auction to sell their capacity and enter the FCM), but it serves to ensure that capacity sold via this second stage is sponsored to meet public policy objectives. As discussed further below, eligibility is also limited based on the laws in effect at January 1, 2018 in the state from which the relevant resource receives supplemental revenue.

2. ISO-NE Will Review the Supply Definition As Needed

The proposed definition of supply responds to the challenges facing the markets today – namely, the out-of-market procurement of renewable and clean energy resources by New England states to fulfill their mandates. By including a specific date, the definition provides clarity to the market regarding the types of technologies that are eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction.

Some stakeholders have argued that, to anticipate future policies, the definition of supply should not include the reference to laws in effect as of January 1, 2018, but ISO-NE does not believe that it is prudent to attempt to incorporate speculative future state initiatives into the definition of supply. Rather, should state policies change, ISO-NE will work with stakeholders to determine if the new laws can and should be accommodated by CASPR. If appropriate, ISO-NE will work through the stakeholder process to modify CASPR’s definition of supply.

During the stakeholder process, some publicly-owned entities argued for a broader definition, in order to facilitate their self-supply with gas-fired resources. Given these entities’ low costs of financing and ability to self-supply under the current Tariff, their new gas-fired resources have a competitive advantage relative to other developers and are permitted to offer accordingly into the capacity auction. Their lower prices increase the probability that such resources will sell capacity in the primary auction, thereby reducing the likelihood that publicly-owned entities would require the substitution auction for their new gas-fired capacity.

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44 The minimum offer price rules related to out-of-market revenues are located at III.A.21.2(b)(i).
45 For more discussion of supply eligibility, see Geissler Testimony at pp. 60-67.
46 Tariff Section III.13.1.16 et seq.
3. The Definition of Supply Relies on the Same Rationale Supporting the Commission-Approved RTR Exemption

The definition of sponsored supply was developed by stakeholders with reference to the Commission-approved definition in the current RTR exemption. That exemption originated with a Commission order relating to buyer-side mitigation in FCM. In that order, the Commission said:

We also recognize in this order that states and state agencies may conclude that the procurement of new capacity, even at times when the market-clearing price indicates entry of new capacity is not needed, will further specific legitimate policy goals and, therefore, argue that certain resources that receive payments pursuant to state programs, which would otherwise trigger mitigation, should nonetheless be exempt from offering above a price floor.\[47\]

In a separate concurrence, Chairman Wellinghoff and Commissioner LaFleur even more clearly encouraged New England to develop the RTR exemption. They said:

While it is true that all OOM [out-of-market] capacity, regardless of intent, will have the same effect on the market-clearing price, it is also true that some OOM capacity is not intended to suppress the market-clearing price, but to further legitimate public policy goals, such as the progressively escalating renewable portfolio standards present in each of the six New England states. This OOM capacity is not intended to suppress the market-clearing price, but to comply with legal requirements that advance the states’ environmental objectives.…

Alternatively, the Commission has permitted PJM to exempt certain types of generation resources from mitigation. We encourage ISO-NE and its stakeholders to consider whether similar exemptions are appropriate for New England. More broadly, we are conscious that just as today’s order involved trade-offs among difficult choices, ISO-NE and its stakeholders will continue to face difficult decisions as they respond to this order and otherwise consider aspects of the capacity market. We encourage all interested parties to think creatively about the purposes and goals of the market, particularly in light of increasing participation from new types of resources.\[48\]

Following the Commission’s suggestion, the region proposed an RTR exemption along with a system-wide demand curve and other changes to FCM.\[49\] In the proposal and in the Commission’s orders, there was virtually no discussion regarding discrimination or the


\[48\] Id. at separate concurrence.

limitation to renewables, as the very purpose of the exemption was to narrowly address state procurements of renewable resources. 50

In the instant case, the same principle and rationale applies. The very purpose of CASPR, and its preceding stakeholder process, IMAPP, is to accommodate state procurements to meet legislated renewable and clean energy requirements. 51 Accordingly, there is no unduly discriminatory purpose – rather, as discussed above, and as was the case with the RTR exemption, the proposed rules narrowly address the problem at hand.

In approving the RTR exemption, the Commission said:

We will accept the Filing Parties’ proposal to allow an exemption from the MOPR for resources that qualify as Renewable Technology Resources as just, reasonable, and not unduly discriminatory or preferential. The proposed exemption, along with the other changes proposed by the Filing Parties, is consistent with the Commission’s guidance to ISO-NE in possibly developing a MOPR exemption for renewable resources, and allowing such an exemption is consistent with the Commission’s acceptance of a similar exemption in the PJM capacity market. 52

Here, CASPR is a replacement for, and an improvement upon, the RTR exemption. Naturally and appropriately, its scope is similar.

4. As in PJM’s MOPR Cases, CASPR’s Supply Resources Are Not Similarly Situated to Other Resources

When PJM began revamping its MOPR rules, it acted to eliminate its exemption for state-sponsored resources, and add exemptions for certain renewables. 53 While the New England and PJM regions have different compositions and concerns, the effect of PJM’s changes is similar to the impact of ISO-NE’s definition of supply – both result in the unmitigated application of the MOPR to state-sponsored gas resources.

In reviewing the Commission’s order approving PJM’s changes, the Third Circuit concluded that the Commission “fully explained its reasons for approving PJM’s proposal to subject gas-fired resources to the MOPR while exempting other types of generation.” 54 In other words, because the Commission explained why exempted resources were not similar to

50 Id. See also Order Accepting Tariff Revisions, 147 FERC ¶ 61,173 (2014).
54 Id. at p. 107.
gas-fired resources, the MOPR’s disparate treatment of the various types of capacity resources did not constitute undue discrimination.\textsuperscript{55}

The concept of “due” discrimination is well established. “A rate is not ‘unduly’ preferential or ‘unreasonably’ discriminatory if the utility can justify the disparate effect,”\textsuperscript{56} or the entity claiming discrimination is not similarly situated to others.\textsuperscript{57} As the D.C. Circuit has said, “no undue discrimination exists where there is a ‘rational basis for treating [two entities] differently’ and where such differing treatment is based on ‘relevant, significant facts which are explained.’”\textsuperscript{58}

In New England’s case, the renewables that are permitted to participate in CASPR as supply are not similarly situated to other, more traditional resources. First, unlike other resources in New England’s restructured markets, these renewables are being procured by the states outside of the wholesale markets, in this case to meet the states’ legal requirements, including renewable and clean energy mandates. Second, that procurement cannot be directly accomplished through ISO-NE’s wholesale markets, which are not designed to value renewables’ carbon-free characteristics; rather, the wholesale markets are designed to maintain reliability using the most economically-efficient set of resources.

Conversely, the inclusion of non-renewables in the supply definition would have a disparate impact on FCM. Specifically, should government entities begin sponsoring traditional generating resources, FCM will no longer be needed to meet its primary objectives, which are to guide the entry and exit decisions of investors and attract competitive new resources cost-effectively when the region is short. At that point, the FCM should be dismantled and the states should resume responsibility for resource adequacy in New England.

Stated simply, as currently constructed, the wholesale markets are not designed to procure renewables explicitly, and it is therefore understandable that the states seek to take out-of-market actions to do so. That is not the case for fossil fuel generators, which can and are procured most cost-effectively through the competitive wholesale markets. Accordingly, participation as new supply in the substitution auction is limited to those resources that are currently procured outside of the markets because of unique characteristics that are not valued by those markets.

\textsuperscript{55} \textit{Id.} at pp. 106-108.


\textsuperscript{57} \textit{Sacramento Mun. Util. Dist. v. FERC}, 474 F.3d 797, 802 (D.C.Cir.2007).

\textsuperscript{58} “\textit{Complex}” \textit{Consol. Edison Co. of N.Y., Inc. v. FERC}, 165 F.3d 992, 1013 (D.C. Cir. 1999); see also \textit{Cities of Newark, New Castle and Seaford, Del. v. FERC}, 763 F.2d 533, 546 (3rd Cir. 1985) (“differences in rates are justified when they are predicated upon factual differences”).
B. Definition of Demand

In this section, ISO-NE describes the characteristics of resources that participate as demand in the substitution auction, and explains why demand excludes competitive new resources.

1. Participation Based on Interconnection

ISO-NE has proposed to limit demand to those resources that are able to “permanently” retire, in order to prevent their return as new resources at a later date. The return of a retired resource would undermine CASPR’s aim to minimize over-building of resources. In turn, the excess capacity would reduce primary auction clearing prices below their competitively-based level, thereby failing to satisfy design objective 1.

To capture the concept of “permanent” retirement, the ISO sought a means of ensuring that the relevant resources would cease participating in the markets, and determined that this assurance can be achieved only for Existing Generating Capacity and existing Capacity Import Resources with an Elective Transmission Upgrade. These two types of capacity resources have formal agreements regarding capacity interconnection service, which is necessary for them to deliver their products. These agreements are terminated upon retirement pursuant to the Tariff currently in effect. Accordingly, the CASPR rules will simply extend the existing retirement rules to resources that have a demand bid accepted in the substitution auction.

Conversely, capacity supply types that have no markers of permanent retirement are not eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction; these resources do not have network interconnection service or any other rights that, if terminated, would preclude their future participation in the markets. Excluded resource types are imports over existing lines, active demand response, and energy efficiency. In the case of imports over existing lines, they are generally treated as new each year and may, after transferring their CSOs in the substitution auction, return in future years as new and offer capacity over the same lines. Demand response assets can retire and return under a different resource name the following year. Energy efficiency resources’ “measure lives” expire, allowing them to exit and return as a new resource. Allowing these resources to participate as demand would undermine the essential intent of the substitution auction to coordinate new entry with the permanent exit of existing capacity resources.

59 See Geissler Testimony at pp. 67-71 for an example where the “retiring” resource is allowed to re-enter in a future auction, thereby leading FCM to “walk down the demand curve” and suppressing the capacity clearing price.

60 Geissler Testimony at pp. 71-76. For the proposed rules, see new Tariff Section III.13.2.8.3.1.

61 Tariff Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(i).

62 For further discussion regarding each of these excluded resource types, see Geissler Testimony at pp. 73-76.
In addition to the issues raised above regarding overbuild and price suppression, including these types of resources as demand in the substitution auction raises equitable issues. The severance paid as a result of the substitution auction is intended as compensation for permanent retirement; it is a windfall for entities that have the option of returning to market.

2. Participation by New Competitive Resources

Beyond existing resources that are willing to retire, there is another set of resources that could potentially participate in the substitution auction as demand: competitively-offered (that is, unsubsidized) new capacity supply that is sold in the primary auction. Participation by these resources could help to prevent the development of excess resources. Nonetheless, ISO-NE chose to exclude these resources because of the difficult design issues and significant market risks associated with their participation.

These issues include the possibility of “fictitious entry” on the demand side of the auction. In this scenario, participants could offer low-priced new resources into the FCA with no intention of fulfilling a CSO. Rather, this unsubsidized new capacity resource has a new profit potential: by entering the demand-side of the substitution auction, it can earn a profit equal to the difference between the (higher) primary auction and the (lower) substitution auction clearing prices when new sponsored resources are expected to participate on the supply side of the substitution auction – while providing nothing of value to the region.

Moreover, this fictitious entry could continue to profitably enter the substitution auction year after year, as long as states continue to create new sponsored supply. Over time, participation by fictitious entrants will shift the primary auction’s supply curve down and lower the primary auction’s clearing price, in violation of the first objective motivating the design.

To mitigate the impact of fictitious entry, the ISO considered a modified settlement rule pursuant to which new unsubsidized capacity resources would not receive net payments if they acquired obligations in the primary auction that are transferred to sponsored new resources in the substitution auction. However, market participants pointed out the chilling effect that such a rule could have on the development of new unsubsidized resources when the region is tight and they would otherwise enter, because – when sponsored new resources are available – developers that offer competitive new projects below the primary auction clearing price will receive no compensation (while incurring costs to develop the project) if their obligation is transferred to a sponsored new resource.

This chilling effect could have significant ramifications, particularly if it occurs when the region is short on capacity and the expected FCA clearing price exceeds new competitive

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63 See Geissler Testimony at pp. 77-84.
64 Id. at pp. 84-91.
resources’ costs of entry. At high FCA prices, potential retirees may opt to retain their CSOs so that, if there are sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction, they would be matched against the competitive new entrants. With this expectation, competitive entrants would choose not to qualify new capacity, leading to primary auction prices in excess of the true costs of competitive entry. Such a scenario fails to meet design objective 1 as it produces a primary auction price that exceeds the competitively-based price – and, as the Geissler Testimony articulates, could substantially and inefficiently increase total FCM costs to consumers.65

The ISO’s External Market Monitor (“EMM”) has proposed an alternative rule pursuant to which competitive new resources that sell capacity in the primary auction are involuntarily entered into the substitution auction but do not receive compensation if they transfer their obligation. To address the entry-deterring implications of that treatment and concerns about inefficiently high FCA prices, the EMM suggests changing the MOPR’s Offer Review Trigger Price for sponsored policy resources to allow such resources to offer below their true unsubsidized costs in the FCA – but only down to the administrative Net CONE value. This modification to the existing Offer Review Trigger Prices aims to prevent the FCA from persistently clearing at inefficiently high prices when the region is short of capacity and the FCA lacks competitive new entry (because it is deterred by the prospect of being involuntarily forced into the substitution auction).66

The ISO has assessed the EMM’s recommendation and identified a number of concerns with it.67 First, the EMM’s design would still reduce the incentive for competitive developers to qualify new capacity in New England, because they receive no compensation when they are forced (involuntarily) to transfer their capacity to sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction. While this outcome may be acceptable in scenarios when the region’s capacity needs can instead be met with sponsored policy resources, in practice the generation development process is lengthy and fraught with uncertainty (even in cases where the resource is sponsored by a public entity). As a result, this treatment could create scenarios where private developers decline to enter because they expect sponsored policy resources may take their place, but these sponsored MW do not qualify (or qualify years later than originally announced). In such cases, the FCA would again risk the inefficient “high FCA price” outcome, at a potentially great cost to consumers and at the risk of undermining the integrity of the FCM overall.

Second, from a process standpoint, the EMM’s preferred treatment would place enormous political pressure on the administrative value of Net CONE (or any administrative value that serves as the minimum price at which a sponsored policy resource could offer in the primary auction). That administrative value would likely now set the clearing price in

65 Id.

66 See the EMM’s memo at https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/0/a3_potomac_economics_memo_re_caspr.pdf.

67 Geissler Testimony at pp. 91-95.
primary auctions whenever total existing capacity is relatively short and there are new sponsored policy resources seeking to sell capacity. As a result, future FCA clearing prices would effectively be set by administrative dictate, rather than by market-based supply from competitive new capacity—undermining the first CASPR design objective of competitively-based capacity pricing.

In sum, ISO-NE believes that, by coordinating the entry of sponsored new resources with the permanent exit of existing resources, and leaving competitive new resources free to enter when the primary auction prices are high enough to support them, the ISO’s design best preserves competitively-based FCA clearing prices – the first design objective of CASPR.

However, there are circumstances where the ISO’s proposal could lead FCM to procure competitive new resources in the FCA instead of acquiring capacity from new sponsored policy resources that will be built to meet legislative mandates. While this could result in excess resources on the system, this overbuild potential is minimal at present given the long-market capacity conditions and low prices. Again, CASPR is an attempt to balance competing objectives; in this case, ISO-NE chose the preservation of competitive prices (the first objective), although inefficient overbuild may not be fully prevented in potential future tight capacity scenarios.68

C. Bid Flexibility

To increase demand-side participation in the substitution auction, CASPR includes flexibility on the demand side, both in terms of bid type and bid price.69 Each is discussed below.

Bid type flexibility includes two tracks by which existing capacity resources can participate as demand in the substitution auction. Under the first track, an existing resource that submits a priced retirement bid into the primary auction and retains its CSO is required to submit a demand bid in the substitution auction. This enables such resources to exit the FCM via either the primary auction or the substitution auction, as market conditions warrant.

Under the second track, an existing capacity resource that does not submit a priced retirement bid in the primary auction may choose to submit a demand bid in the substitution auction. When a “Track 2” resource sells its capacity in the primary auction and has its demand bid in the substitution auction accepted, it must then retire (permanently exit) all New England markets as of the start of the relevant commitment period. In exchange for permanently exiting the market, this resource will receive the same severance payment as “Track 1” resources that similarly exit via the substitution auction.

68 Id. at pp. 78-80.
69 See new Tariff Section III.13.2.8.3 et seq. Section III.13.2.8.3.1 describes bid type flexibility. Section III.13.2.8.3.2 describes bid price flexibility. Potential technical adjustments to demand bids are covered in Section III.13.2.8.3.3.
This two-track design will help to incent existing resources to participate as demand in the substitution auction, as they are not required to follow the irrevocable retirement bid requirements imposed on resources electing the existing Track 1. In particular, while bids (whether retirement or static) in the primary auction are reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor for supply-side market power, the same resources’ demand bids to buy out their obligations in the substitution auction will not be reviewed by the Market Monitor (although they will undergo a reliability review). Because allowing existing resources to transfer their obligations in the substitution auction to other qualified (sponsored) supply does not reduce aggregate capacity supply and raise capacity prices, the ISO and the market monitors concluded that these “Track 2” demand bids in the substitution auction do not present a market power risk to the FCM.70

_Bid price flexibility_ refers to the ability to submit a demand bid price that may differ from a resource’s offer price in the FCA. This will allow resources to indicate that their bids in the primary auction and substitution auction represent potentially different commitments if they are not awarded a CSO (e.g., not selling capacity for a year versus permanently exiting all New England markets).

In some scenarios, this flexibility can be important. For example, a resource that submits a static de-list bid in the primary auction and does not retain its CSO does not earn an FCM base payment for the year, but is free to continue operating. This result is fundamentally different from a resource that submits a demand bid in the substitution auction and does not retain its CSO, as this resource is required to permanently exit all markets. Because there are different implications of not retaining capacity with these bids, it is appropriate that a resource would have different prices corresponding with each. Bid price flexibility will accommodate this preference, thereby increasing liquidity in the substitution auction.71

D. **Clearing and Pricing**

In this section, the ISO reviews proposed rules on inter-zonal transfers and side payments to retiring resources. For more information on clearing and pricing, please see the Geissler Testimony, which covers topics including: the social surplus optimization used to determine capacity awards; rationing; participation by repowered, intermittent and composite resources; and application of the rate lock.72

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70 Geissler Testimony at pp. 97-99.
71 Id. at 100-102.
72 Id. at pp. 126-135 (rationing, social surplus), 189-198 (participation by repowered, intermittent and composite resources; and application of the rate lock). See also new Tariff Section III.13.2.8.1.1 regarding the clearing of the substitution auction, including details regarding special situations, such as the presence of multiple outcomes that satisfy the auction’s objective function and the treatment of certain types of resources participating in a Composite FCM Transaction. Substitution auction pricing is covered in new Tariff Section
1. Inter-Zonal Transfers

ISO’s originally-proposed clearing rules allowed transfers between zones even if the reliability value of a MW of capacity in those zones was not equivalent. For example, a 100 MW retirement in Southeastern New England could be paired with the entry of sponsored resources in the Northern New England zone – but the marginal reliability impact of a MW in those zones is not equivalent. In this hypothetical, it might take 500 MW of new entry in Northern New England to offset the reliability impact of the 100 MW retirement in Southeastern New England.

Some stakeholders pointed out that these transfers would increase total system capacity (i.e., +500 MW − 100 MW = +400 MW), resulting in a lower system FCA price in the following year’s primary auction. These transfers could also change zonal clearing prices in future primary auctions. In the above example, the clearing price in Northern New England could decrease in future years because of the additional capacity, and the price in Southeastern New England could increase because of that zone’s capacity shortage. These inter-zonal effects understandably raised concerns about the design’s ability to preserve competitively-based capacity prices and the ISO’s third design objective – cost shifts in which one state’s consumers bear the costs of other states’ subsidies.

Ultimately, ISO-NE adopted a stakeholder proposal to limit transfers between zones in the substitution auction clearing process. Under these rules, capacity can only transfer between zones if the reliability value of the capacity is equivalent in each zone. Practically, this constraint restricts inter-zonal trades to conditions where there is not price separation in the relevant zones after the primary auction, and capacity can only be transferred into/out of the zones up to the point where price separation would occur; if there is price separation, the substitution auction only allows transfers between entering and retiring resources that are located within the zone. Under these rules, total system capacity cannot change in the substitution auction and an individual zone would not price separate in the next primary auction, other things being equal, due to substitution auction transactions.

Some of the states have correctly pointed out that this limitation on inter-zonal trading could reduce liquidity in the substitution auction in some situations, slowing down

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73 Marginal reliability impact is also used to derive the system and zonal demand curves in the primary auction. See Geissler Testimony at pp. 149-152 for more information on the calculation of these values.

74 New Tariff Section III.13.2.8.1.1.

75 If there is no price separation in the primary auction between the Rest of Pool capacity zone and a constrained capacity zone, then a certain amount of capacity can be transferred between them without causing price separation in the subsequent year’s primary auction. This amount is not unlimited, however. The exact amount that can be transferred is known (to the ISO) immediately following the primary auction’s clearing process, and the appropriate limiting values will be employed in the substitution auction clearing process. See Geissler Testimony at pp. 149-166 for more discussion of inter-zonal transfers (with examples).
the pace at which sponsored resources acquire CSOs. Once again, this situation requires a choice between fulfilling design objective 1 – preserving competitive prices in the FCA – and accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM (design objective 2). As in other situations, the ISO favors objective 1, with the added benefit that this choice also reduces the scenarios in which one state’s consumers pay for policies of another state (design objective 3).

2. **Side Payments**

In clearing the substitution auction, the aggregate supply and demand curves are constructed from offers and bids, respectively, from capacity suppliers. As is discussed in the Geissler Testimony, demand bids are non-rationable, meaning they must be cleared (or not) in whole; since an accepted demand bid requires the underlying capacity to retire and cease operation, it is not practical to clear only part of a retiring resource. In contrast, supply offers (from new capacity) are rationable, and may be cleared in whole or in part as the economics of the auction determine.\(^76\)

One impact of the non-rationability of demand bids is that it is not always possible to clear at the intersection of the aggregate supply and demand curves, and there will be times when no substitution auction clearing price will satisfy all accepted supply offers and demand bids. In these cases, the substitution auction may produce a clearing price that exceeds the maximum price that a retiring resource was willing to pay. In such cases, a side payment to that resource – analogous to uplift in the energy market – is necessary to ensure that the resource is not made worse off by shedding its obligation in the substitution auction.\(^77\)

ISO-NE considered alternatives to side payments, including charging the retiring resource more than it was willing to pay. That alternative would dramatically increase the risk for retiring resources participating in this second stage as demand. Specifically, an existing resource would be unable to assure itself of the maximum price at which it could be forced to buy out of its obligation, and it therefore may choose not to participate in the substitution auction at all, or deflate its demand bid price to mitigate this risk. Either act would reduce the likelihood that this resource would clear, deter demand-side participation in the substitution auction, and thereby decrease the substitution auction’s ability to accommodate sponsored policy resources – undermining design objective 2.

The revenue imbalance created by side payments will be allocated to Capacity Load Obligations via the Net Regional Clearing Price, along with other FCM costs. This framework allocates these modest costs broadly, and does not adversely impact the substitution auction bidding incentives.

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\(^76\) See Geissler Testimony at pp. 126-129.

\(^77\) See new Tariff Section III.13.7.1.1(d) and Geissler Testimony at pp. 142-149 for more information on side payments.
E. New FCM Process and Schedule

CASPR creates a few additional milestones for both supply and demand. Participants must also satisfy all of the existing rules governing qualification detailed in Market Rule 1, Section III.13.1 to participate in the substitution auction.

A sponsored policy resource must complete three additional steps to participate in the substitution auction: make a binding initial election to participate within the New Capacity Show of Interest Window (typically in April); certify that it meets the definition of a Sponsored Policy Resource as part of the New Capacity Qualification Package (typically in June); and provide its supply offer price-quantity segments within five Business Days after the deadline for submission of composite offers (typically in October).

A resource participating as demand must: elect to participate in the substitution auction and specify its demand quantity or submit a priced retirement bid by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline (typically in March); and provide the participant’s preferred demand bid price-quantity segments within five Business Days after the deadline for submission of composite offers (typically in October). 78

The ISO will also change its information releases. The CASPR rules provide for three separate public information releases that are intended to provide, as early as possible, appropriate information to the market to inform substitution auction bid and offer price decisions. These information releases are: after the show of interest period, a report of aggregate submitted supply and demand elections in the substitution auction by capacity zone; 79 an addition to the existing pre-FCA information filing to include the report of qualified total supply and demand quantities in the substitution auction; 80 and, in the existing post-auction results filing, a report of the substitution auction outcomes, including clearing prices, awards and side payment to demand bids. 81

F. CASPR’s Interaction with Retirement Reforms

The FCM rules that are referred to as the “Retirement Reforms” are the set of rule changes that were approved by the Commission in Docket No. ER16-551-000. As part of those changes, the ISO uses a proxy bid instead of a participant’s retirement or de-list bid in the FCA when (i) the participant elects an unconditional retirement and there could be a potential financial benefit to the remainder of the supplier’s portfolio if this unconditional retirement increased the primary auction price, or (ii) the supplier elects the option to take on

78 Geissler Testimony at pp. 175-178.
79 Revised Tariff Section III.13.1.8(g).
80 Revised Tariff Section III.13.8.1(c)(xi).
81 Revised Tariff Section III.13.8.2(a). See Geissler Testimony at pp. 178-183 for more information on each of these reports.
a CSO only if the clearing price is above its original de-list price. In each case, the proxy bid is a competitive stand-in for the participant’s desired bid.

Before CASPR, the use of proxy bids required a second run of the primary auction if the proxy bid won a CSO but the related resource retired. In that second run, the ISO sought to replace the proxy bids’ capacity with expensive capacity that failed to clear the primary auction in the first run.

Pursuant to the CASPR rules, the ISO proposes to make an efficiency-enhancing change to the order in which these secondary auctions are cleared. Specifically, the ISO will run the substitution auction before a second run of the primary auction. In the substitution auction, the ISO will enter the quantity of capacity associated with any proxy de-list bid (that “won” a CSO in the primary auction) as a demand bid, and give such proxy demand bids priority in the clearing process such that their CSOs are transferred to sponsored resources before other demand bids are cleared. These proxy demand bids will receive no severance for transferring their CSOs. A subsequent run of the primary auction will only be needed if the CSOs associated with the proxy bids are not transferred in the substitution auction.

Putting the substitution auction ahead of the re-run of the primary auction in the auction sequence allows lower-priced sponsored policy resources to replace the retiring resources’ capacity (represented by proxy bids) before the region conducts a second primary auction, which would otherwise procure expensive capacity that was priced above the Capacity Clearing Price in the primary auction. While, in either case, there will be an imbalance between the total charges to cleared demand and total credits to cleared supply, resulting in a net increase in charges to capacity load obligations, CASPR should produce a lower incremental cost to load obligation than the current rules.82

IV. STAKEHOLDER PROCESS AND TARIFF CHANGES

In this Section, the ISO discusses the stakeholder process that was utilized to review and refine the CASPR proposal, and certain of the Tariff changes that are submitted herewith.

A. Stakeholder Process

CASPR was considered through the complete NEPOOL Participant Processes.83 The stakeholder effort formally began in August 2016 as the IMAPP process and continued through the end of that year.84 As noted above in Section I.B, following IMAPP, in early

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82 Geissler Testimony at pp. 198-206.
83 NEPOOL has indicated that it plans to submit comments in this proceeding to provide the Commission with additional information regarding stakeholder consideration of the CASPR subject and to present an explanation of proposed modifications to the ISO’s CASPR proposal that were considered in the stakeholder process.
84 The materials developed during the IMAPP process are available at: http://nepool.com/IMAPP.php.
2017, the ISO undertook the development of a conceptual market approach that met specific objectives. The ISO released a discussion paper outlining its CASPR proposal in April 2017 and discussed the proposal at an IMAPP meeting on May 17, 2017.\footnote{Fn 16, infra.}

In June 2017, the ISO initiated formal consideration of its CASPR proposal at the NEPOOL Markets Committee. Following months of review, on November 8, 2017, the Markets Committee considered a motion to recommend that the NEPOOL Participants Committee support the CASPR proposal. The Markets Committee considered a series of amendments to the ISO’s proposal, most of which did not receive the level of support required to pass (a 60% threshold). The committee did vote to support an amendment offered by the New England States Committee on Electricity (“NESCOE”) by a vote of 60.96% in favor.\footnote{The individual Sector votes at the Markets Committee on the NESCOE motion to amend were Generation (0.86% in favor, 16.27% opposed), Transmission (15.22% in favor, 1.90% opposed), Supplier (3.95% in favor, 13.17% opposed, 3 abstentions), Alternative Resources (6.68% in favor, 7.69% opposed, 3 abstentions), Publicly Owned Entity (17.13% in favor, 0% opposed, 29 abstentions), and End User (17.13% in favor, 0% opposed, 1 abstention).} However, when the amended main motion was considered, it failed by a vote of 57.99% in favor.\footnote{The individual Sector votes at the Markets Committee on the once-amended main motion (as amended by the NESCOE amendment) were Generation (0.86% in favor, 16.27% opposed), Transmission (15.22% in favor, 1.90% opposed), Supplier (2.63% in favor, 14.49% opposed, 3 abstentions), Alternative Resources (6.58% in favor, 7.79% opposed, 2 abstentions), Publicly Owned Entity (17.13% in favor, 0% opposed, 29 abstentions), and End User (15.57% in favor, 1.56% opposed, 2 abstentions).} At that point, the ISO requested a vote on its unamended proposal. The Markets Committee failed to support the ISO proposal, by a vote of 27.59% in favor.\footnote{The individual Sector votes at the Markets Committee on the ISO’s unamended proposal were Generation (0% in favor, 17.13% opposed, 2 abstentions), Transmission (7.61% in favor, 9.51% opposed), Supplier (0% in favor, 17.13% opposed, 8 abstentions), Alternative Resources (0% in favor, 14.38% opposed, 4 abstentions), Publicly Owned Entity (17.13% in favor, 0% opposed, 29 abstentions), and End User (2.85% in favor, 14.27% opposed, 1 abstention).}

Following the November Markets Committee meeting, the ISO revised its proposal, and that revised proposal was considered by the NEPOOL Participants Committee on December 8, 2017. After considering and failing to support an amendment offered by members of the Publicly Owned Entity Sector, the Participants Committee considered the ISO’s unamended CASPR proposal. The Participants Committee failed to support the CASPR proposal by a vote of 57.75% in favor.\footnote{The individual Sector votes at the Participants Committee on the ISO’s CASPR proposal were Generation (14.82% in favor), Transmission (15.18% in favor), Supplier (14.47% in favor), Alternative Resources (10.32% in favor), Publicly Owned Entity (0% in favor), End User (2.85% in favor), and Provisional Member Group (0.11% in favor).}
Following consideration of the CASPR proposal by the NEPOOL Participants Committee, the ISO discovered an error in the Tariff sheets that were presented for voting. The error involved the failure to remove a sentence in Section III.13.7.1.1(d) that was associated with an earlier version of the ISO’s CASPR proposal. The sentence involved indexing the rate-lock mechanism that is available for some capacity resources but is not available for Sponsored Policy Resources participating in the substitution auction. After determining that the sentence was non-substantive because it involved a condition that cannot occur (a Sponsored Policy Resource is not subject to the rate-lock mechanism), and after conferring with the Chair and Vice Chair of the NEPOOL Markets Committee, the sentence in question has been removed from the Tariff sheet changes that are filed by the ISO herewith.

B. Tariff Changes

Tariff changes are described throughout this filing letter on a topical basis. In addition to the changes discussed throughout, the Tariff changes submitted herewith also include the following conforming changes:

- In Sections III.13, III.13.2.3 and III.13.2.7, the definition of Forward Capacity Auction and the use of that term are modified to reflect that the annual capacity auction is a multi-stage process that includes more than just the primary auction itself;

- A superfluous “definition” of Capacity Supply Obligation is eliminated from the initial paragraph of Section III.13, given that the operative definition is already specified in Section I.2.2;

- Section III.13.4.2.1 (related to reconfiguration auctions) specifies that capacity associated with a cleared substitution auction demand bid (which is obligated to retire) cannot be offered as supply; and

- The permitted length of a capacity market rate lock is corrected in Section III.13.7.1.1(a).

V. STANDARD OF REVIEW

The instant revisions are submitted pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, which “gives a utility the right to file rates and terms for services rendered with its assets.” 90 Under Section 205, the Commission “plays ‘an essentially passive and reactive’ role” 91 whereby it “can reject [a filing] only if it finds that the changes proposed by the public utility are not ‘just and reasonable.’” 92 The Commission limits this inquiry “into whether the rates

90 Atlantic City Elec. Co. v. FERC, 295 F.3d 1, 9 (D.C. Cir. 2002).
91 Id. at 10 (quoting City of Winnfield v. FERC, 744 F.2d 871, 876 (D.C. Cir. 1984).
92 Id.
proposed by a utility are reasonable – and [this inquiry does not] extend to determining whether a proposed rate schedule is more or less reasonable than alternative rate designs.”93 The revision “need not be the only reasonable methodology, or even the most accurate.”94 As a result, even if an intervenor or the Commission develops an alternative proposal, the Commission must accept this Section 205 filing if it is just and reasonable.95

VI. REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE AND REQUEST FOR WAIVER

The ISO requests that the CASPR rules become effective in two stages, with the vast majority of the rules becoming effective on March 9, 2018, coinciding with the beginning of the approximately year-long auction-administration cycle for the thirteenth Forward Capacity Auction and, specifically, the opening of the window for the submission of retirement bids.96 This timing will allow for a Commission Order before market participants have to make binding decisions for the thirteenth auction.

FCA 13 is the first auction in which procurements required by the 2016 Massachusetts Energy Diversity Act may be qualified to participate.97 There is no guarantee that, if the CASPR rules are effective in time, these resources will acquire CSOs through the FCA 13 substitution auction. However, without the CASPR rules, these resources are unlikely to clear the FCA, with the result that ratepayers in Massachusetts will pay both for the cost of the capacity procured in the FCM, and a second time for the additional generation capacity obtained through the out-of-market contracts.

The ISO is requesting a separate effective date (June 1, 2018) for a small number of Tariff changes that are being made to Section III.13.7, which deals with FCM settlements. The later effective date for the changes to Section III.13.7 is primarily for administrative convenience, given the pending changes already scheduled for June 1, 2018 to reflect the implementation of the Pay For Performance mechanism and other capacity market changes. Moreover, there will be no need to apply any of the settlement changes associated with CASPR prior to June 1, 2018.

93 City of Bethany v. FERC, 727 F.2d 1131, 1136 (D.C. Cir. 1984).
94 Oxy USA, Inc. v. FERC, 64 F.3d 679, 692 (D.C. Cir. 1995).
95 Cf. Southern California Edison Co., et al., 73 FERC ¶ 61,219 at 61,608 n.73 (1995) (“Having found the Plan to be just and reasonable, there is no need to consider in any detail the alternative plans proposed by the Joint Protesters.” (citing City of Bethany, 727 F.2d at 1136)).
96 FCA 13 is for the 2022-2023 Capacity Commitment Period and will be administered by the ISO in February 2019. The FCA 13 calendar can be found at https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/05/fca-13-timeline-5-9-2017.pdf.
97 The timeline for Massachusetts’ initial procurement of clean generation is available at https://macleanenergy.com/83d/83d-timeline. It indicates that projects will be selected for negotiation on January 25, 2018.
The ISO requests waiver of the Commission’s notice requirements with respect to the requested effective date for the changes to Section III.13.7. Specifically, the ISO requests waiver of the requirement of Section 35.3(a) that all rate changes should be filed and posted not more than one hundred-twenty days prior to the date on which they become effective.” 98 The Filing Parties believe that good cause exists to grant a waiver of the 120-day prior notice limitation because additional notice will provide market participants with more time to prepare for the implementation of the settlement changes. Moreover, the ISO does not believe that any party will be harmed by the filing of the changes more than 120 days prior to their becoming effective.

VII. DESCRIPTION OF THE ISO; COMMUNICATIONS

The ISO is the private, non-profit entity that serves as the regional transmission organization (“RTO”) for New England. The ISO operates the New England bulk power system and administers New England’s organized wholesale electricity markets pursuant to the Tariff and the Transmission Operating Agreement with the New England Participating Transmission Owners. In its capacity as an RTO, the ISO also has the objective to assure that the bulk power supply system within the New England Control Area conforms to proper standards of reliability as established by the Northeast Power Coordinating Council and the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

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VIII. ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section 35.13 of the Commission’s regulations generally requires public utilities to file certain cost and other information related to an examination of traditional cost-of-service rates. However, the CASPR changes do not modify a traditional “rate” and the ISO is not a traditional investor-owned utility. Therefore, to the extent necessary, the ISO requests waiver of Section 35.13 of the Commission’s regulations. 99 Notwithstanding its request for

98 18 C.F.R. § 35.3(a) (2017).
waiver, the ISO submits the following additional information in substantial compliance with relevant provisions of Section 35.13 of the Commission’s regulations:

35.13(b)(1) – Materials included herewith are as follows:

- This transmittal letter;
- Blacklined ISO Tariff sections reflecting the revisions submitted in this filing;
- Clean ISO Tariff sections reflecting the revisions submitted in this filing;
- Testimony of Dr. Christopher Geissler, Economist at the ISO; and
- List of governors and utility regulatory agencies in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont to which a copy of this filing has been sent.

35.13(b)(2) – As set forth in Section VI above, the ISO requests that the changes become effective on March 9, 2018 and June 1, 2018.

35.13(b)(3) – Pursuant to Section 17.11(e) of the Participants Agreement, Governance Participants are being served electronically rather than by paper copy. The names and addresses of the Governance Participants are posted on the ISO’s website at http://www.iso-ne.com/participate/participant-asset-listings. A copy of this transmittal letter and the accompanying materials have also been sent to the governors and electric utility regulatory agencies for the six New England states that comprise the New England Control Area, the New England Conference of Public Utility Commissioners, Inc., and to the New England States Committee on Electricity. Their names and addresses are shown in the attached listing. In accordance with Commission rules and practice, there is no need for the Governance Participants or the entities identified in the listing to be included on the Commission’s official service list in the captioned proceeding unless such entities become intervenors in this proceeding.

35.13(b)(4) – A description of the materials submitted pursuant to this filing is contained in this Section VIII.

35.13(b)(5) – The reasons for this filing are discussed in Sections I through III of this transmittal letter.

35.13(b)(6) – The ISO’s approval of the changes is evidenced by this filing. The changes reflect the results of the Participant Processes required by the Participants Agreement, as discussed in Section IV.

35.13(b)(7) – The ISO has no knowledge of any relevant expenses or costs of service that have been alleged or judged in any administrative or judicial proceeding to be illegal,
duplicative, or unnecessary costs that are demonstrably the product of discriminatory employment practices.

35.13(b)(8) – A form of notice and electronic media are no longer required for filings in light of the Commission’s Combined Notice of Filings notice methodology.

35.13(c)(1) – The changes submitted herein do not modify a traditional “rate,” and the statement required under this Commission regulation is not applicable to the instant filing.

35.13(c)(2) – The ISO does not provide services under other rate schedules that are similar to the wholesale, resale and transmission services it provides under the Tariff.

35.13(c)(3) - No specifically assignable facilities have been or will be installed or modified in connection with the revision filed herein.

IX. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated herein and in the accompanying testimony, the ISO respectfully requests that the Commission determine that the proposed Tariff revisions are just and reasonable, and that it accept the ISO’s Tariff changes as filed, to become effective on March 9, 2018 and June 1, 2018.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused the foregoing document to be served upon the New England governors and electric utility regulatory agencies and upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Holyoke, Massachusetts, this 8th day of January, 2018.

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I.2  Rules of Construction; Definitions

I.2.1.  Rules of Construction:

In this Tariff, unless otherwise provided herein:

(a) words denoting the singular include the plural and vice versa;
(b) words denoting a gender include all genders;
(c) references to a particular part, clause, section, paragraph, article, exhibit, schedule, appendix or other attachment shall be a reference to a part, clause, section, paragraph, or article of, or an exhibit, schedule, appendix or other attachment to, this Tariff;
(d) the exhibits, schedules and appendices attached hereto are incorporated herein by reference and shall be construed with as an integral part of this Tariff to the same extent as if they were set forth verbatim herein;
(e) a reference to any statute, regulation, proclamation, ordinance or law includes all statutes, regulations, proclamations, amendments, ordinances or laws varying, consolidating or replacing the same from time to time, and a reference to a statute includes all regulations, policies, protocols, codes, proclamations and ordinances issued or otherwise applicable under that statute unless, in any such case, otherwise expressly provided in any such statute or in this Tariff;
(f) a reference to a particular section, paragraph or other part of a particular statute shall be deemed to be a reference to any other section, paragraph or other part substituted therefor from time to time;
(g) a definition of or reference to any document, instrument or agreement includes any amendment or supplement to, or restatement, replacement, modification or novation of, any such document, instrument or agreement unless otherwise specified in such definition or in the context in which such reference is used;
(h) a reference to any person (as hereinafter defined) includes such person’s successors and permitted assigns in that designated capacity;
(i) any reference to “days” shall mean calendar days unless “Business Days” (as hereinafter defined) are expressly specified;
(j) if the date as of which any right, option or election is exercisable, or the date upon which any amount is due and payable, is stated to be on a date or day that is not a Business Day, such right, option or election may be exercised, and such amount shall be deemed due and payable, on the next succeeding Business Day with the same effect as if the same was exercised or made on such date or day (without, in the case of any such payment, the payment or accrual of any interest or
other late payment or charge, provided such payment is made on such next succeeding Business Day);

(k) words such as “hereunder,” “hereto,” “hereof” and “herein” and other words of similar import shall, unless the context requires otherwise, refer to this Tariff as a whole and not to any particular article, section, subsection, paragraph or clause hereof; and a reference to “include” or “including” means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term, and for purposes hereof the rule of *ejusdem generis* shall not be applicable to limit a general statement, followed by or referable to an enumeration of specific matters, to matters similar to those specifically mentioned.

I.2.2. Definitions

In this Tariff, the terms listed in this section shall be defined as described below:

**Actual Load** is the consumption at the Retail Delivery Point for the hour.

**Additional Resource Blackstart O&M Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Additional Resource Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Additional Resource Standard Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Administrative Costs** are those costs incurred in connection with the review of Applications for transmission service and the carrying out of System Impact Studies and Facilities Studies.

**Administrative Export De-List Bid** is a bid that may be submitted in a Forward Capacity Auction by certain Existing Generating Capacity Resources subject to a multi-year contract to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the associated Capacity Commitment Period, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Administrative Sanctions** are defined in Section III.B.4.1.2 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.
**ADR Neutrals** are one or more firms or individuals identified by the ISO with the advice and consent of the Participants Committee that are prepared to act as neutrals in ADR proceedings under Appendix D to Market Rule 1.

**Advance** is defined in Section IV.A.3.2 of the Tariff.


**Affiliate** is any person or entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control by another person or entity. For purposes of this definition, "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the authority to direct the management or policies of an entity. A voting interest of ten percent or more shall create a rebuttable presumption of control.

**AGC** is automatic generation control.

**AGC SetPoint** is the desired output signal for a Resource providing Regulation that is produced by the AGC system as frequently as every four seconds.

**AGC SetPoint Deadband** is a deadband expressed in megawatts that is applied to changing values of the AGC SetPoint for generating units.

**Allocated Assessment** is a Covered Entity’s right to seek and obtain payment and recovery of its share in any shortfall payments under Section 3.3 or Section 3.4 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)** is the procedure set forth in Appendix D to Market Rule 1.

**Alternative Technology Regulation Resource** is any Resource eligible to provide Regulation that is not registered as a different Resource type.

**Ancillary Services** are those services that are necessary to support the transmission of electric capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the New England Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
Announced Schedule 1 EA Amount, Announced Schedule 2 EA Amount, Announced Schedule 3 EA Amount are defined in Section IV.B.2.2 of the Tariff.

Annual Transmission Revenue Requirements are the annual revenue requirements of a PTO’s PTF or of all PTOs’ PTF for purposes of the OATT shall be the amount determined in accordance with Attachment F to the OATT.

Annualized FCA Payment is used to determine a resource’s availability penalties and is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.2(b) of Market Rule 1.

Annual Reconfiguration Transaction is a bilateral transaction that may be used in accordance with Section III.13.5.4 of Market Rule 1 to specify a price when a Capacity Supply Obligation is transferred using supply offers and demand bids in Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.

Applicants, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, are entities applying for Market Participant status or for transmission service from the ISO.

Application is a written request by an Eligible Customer for transmission service pursuant to the provisions of the OATT.

Asset is a generating unit, interruptible load, a component of a demand response resource or load asset.

Asset Registration Process is the ISO business process for registering a physical load, generator, or tie-line for settlement purposes. The Asset Registration Process is posted on the ISO’s website.

Asset Related Demand is a physical load that has been discretely modeled within the ISO’s dispatch and settlement systems, settles at a Node and, except for pumped storage load, is made up of one or more individual end-use metered customers receiving service from the same point or points of electrical supply, with an aggregate average hourly load of 1 MW or greater during the 12 months preceding its registration.

Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Asset Related Demand bid. Blocks of the bid in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the daily quantity of Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for an entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Asset Related
Demand Bid Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of "available," the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours.

**Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs** are the net costs of an asset that is part of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, calculated for the asset in the same manner as the net costs of Existing Generating Capacity Resources as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.1 (for an asset with a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid) or Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.2 (for an asset with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid).

**Assigned Meter Reader** reports to the ISO the hourly and monthly MWh associated with the Asset. These MWh are used for settlement. The Assigned Meter Reader may designate an agent to help fulfill its Assigned Meter Reader responsibilities; however, the Assigned Meter Reader remains functionally responsible to the ISO.

**Auction Revenue Right (ARR)** is a right to receive FTR Auction Revenues in accordance with Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**Auction Revenue Right Allocation (ARR Allocation)** is defined in Section 1 of Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**Auction Revenue Right Holder (ARR Holder)** is an entity which is the record holder of an Auction Revenue Right (excluding an Incremental ARR) in the register maintained by the ISO.

**Audited Demand Reduction** is the seasonal claimed capability of a Demand Response Resource as established pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.

**Audited Full Reduction Time** is the Offered Full Reduction Time associated with the Demand Response Resource’s most recent audit.

**Authorized Commission** is defined in Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.

**Authorized Person** is defined in Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.
**Automatic Response Rate** is the response rate, in MW/Minute, at which a Market Participant is willing to have a generating unit change its output while providing Regulation between the Regulation High Limit and Regulation Low Limit.

**Average Hourly Load Reduction** is either: (i) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month; (ii) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month; or (iii) in each Real-Time Demand Response Event Hour, the sum of the baseline electrical energy consumption less the sum of the actual electrical energy consumption of all of the Real-Time Demand Response Assets associated with the Real-Time Demand Response Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month; or (iv) in each Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour, the sum of the baseline electrical energy consumption less the sum of the actual electrical energy consumption of all of the Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets associated with the Real-time Emergency Generation Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month. The Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction and Average Hourly Load Reduction shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Average Hourly Output** is either: (i) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy output during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month; (ii) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy output during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month; or (iii) in each Real-Time Demand Response Event Hour or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour, the sum of the electrical energy output of all of the Real-Time Demand Response Assets or Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets associated with the Real-Time Demand Response Resource or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month. Electrical energy output and Average Hourly Output shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Average Monthly PER** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.1.2(a) of Market Rule 1.
**Backstop Transmission Solution** is a solution proposed: (i) to address a reliability or market efficiency need identified by the ISO in a Needs Assessment reported by the ISO pursuant to Section 4.1(i) of Attachment K to the ISO OATT, (ii) by the PTO or PTOs with an obligation under Schedule 3.09(a) of the TOA to address the identified need; and (iii) in circumstances in which the competitive solution process specified in Section 4.3 of Attachment K to the ISO OATT will be utilized.

**Bankruptcy Code** is the United States Bankruptcy Code.

**Bankruptcy Event** occurs when a Covered Entity files a voluntary or involuntary petition in bankruptcy or commences a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law concerning insolvency, reorganization or bankruptcy by or against such Covered Entity as debtor.

**Bilateral Contract (BC)** is any of the following types of contracts: Internal Bilateral for Load, Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy, and External Transactions.

**Bilateral Contract Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the seller and purchaser of an Internal Bilateral for Load, Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy and External Transactions; provided, however, that only those contracts which apply to the Real-Time Energy Market will accrue Block-Hours.

**Blackstart Capability Test** is the test, required by ISO New England Operating Documents, of a resource’s capability to provide Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1, or as referred to in Section 5.2, of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s Blackstart Equipment capital costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (excluding the capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart CIP Capital Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 utilizing data from Table 6 of Appendix A to this Schedule 16, or as referred to in Section 5.2, of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Blackstart Station’s costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service.
**Blackstart CIP O&M Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, utilizing data from Table 6 of Appendix A to this Schedule 16, for a Blackstart Station’s operating and maintenance costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of the provision of Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Equipment** is any equipment that is solely necessary to enable the Designated Blackstart Resource to provide Blackstart Service and is not required to provide other products or services under the Tariff.

**Blackstart O&M Payment** is the annual compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s operating and maintenance costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for operating and maintenance costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart Owner** is the Market Participant who is authorized on behalf of the Generator Owner(s) to offer or operate the resource as a Designated Blackstart Resource and is authorized to commit the resource to provide Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Service** is the Ancillary Service described in Section II.47 of the Tariff and Schedule 16 of the OATT, which also encompasses “System Restoration and Planning Service” under the predecessor version of Schedule 16.

**Blackstart Service Commitment** is the commitment by a Blackstart Owner for its resource to provide Blackstart Service and the acceptance of that commitment by the ISO, in the manner detailed in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 11 – Designated Blackstart Resource Administration (OP 11), and which includes a commitment to provide Blackstart Service under a “Signature Page for Schedule 16 of the NEPOOL OATT” that was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 2013 for Category A Designated Blackstart Resources or a commitment to provide Blackstart Service established under Operating Procedure 11 – Designated Blackstart Resource Administration (OP11) for Category B Designated Blackstart Resources.

**Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria** are the minimum criteria that a Blackstart Owner and its resource must meet in order to establish and maintain a resource as a Designated Blackstart Resource.
**Blackstart Standard Rate Payment** is the formulaic rate of monthly compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, paid to a Blackstart Owner for the provision of Blackstart Service from a Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Blackstart Station** is comprised of (i) a single Designated Blackstart Resource or (ii) two or more Designated Blackstart Resources that share Blackstart Equipment.

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment** is the Commission-approved compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, paid to a Blackstart Owner on a monthly basis for the provision of Blackstart Service by Designated Blackstart Resources located at a specific Blackstart Station.

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate Capital Payment** is a component of the Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment that reflects a Blackstart Station’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (excluding the capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate CIP Capital Payment** is a component of the Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment that reflects a Blackstart Station’s capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service.

**Block** is defined as follows: (1) With respect to Bilateral Contracts, a Bilateral Contract administered by the ISO for an hour; (2) with respect to Supply Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Supply Offers for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (3) with respect to Demand Bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Demand Bids for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (4) with respect to Increment Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Increment Offers for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (5) with respect to Decrement Bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Decrement Bids for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (6) with respect to Asset Related Demand bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Asset Related Demand bids may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); and (7) with respect to Demand Reduction Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity of reduced demand with a
related price (for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Reduction Offers may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for the day).

**Block-Hours** are the number of Blocks administered for a particular hour.

**Budget and Finance Subcommittee** is a subcommittee of the Participants Committee, the responsibilities of which are specified in Section 8.4 of the Participants Agreement.

**Business Day** is any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or ISO holidays as posted by the ISO on its website.

**Cancelled Start NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Capability Demonstration Year** is the one year period from September 1 through August 31.

**Capability Year** means a year’s period beginning on June 1 and ending May 31.

**Capacity Acquiring Resource** is a resource that is seeking to acquire a Capacity Supply Obligation through: (1) a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.1, or; (2) an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, as described in Section III.13.4.

**Capacity Balancing Ratio** is a ratio used in calculating the Capacity Performance Payment in the Forward Capacity Market beginning on June 1, 2018 pursuant to rules filed with the Commission on July 14, 2014.

**Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard** has the meaning specified in Schedule 22, Schedule 23, and Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Clearing Price** is the clearing price for a Capacity Zone for a Capacity Commitment Period resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction conducted for that Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in accordance with Section III.13.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Clearing Price Floor** is described in Section III.13.2.7.
**Capacity Commitment Period** is the one-year period from June 1 through May 31 for which obligations are assumed and payments are made in the Forward Capacity Market.

**Capacity Cost (CC)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Capacity Export Through Import Constrained Zone Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation** is the quantity of capacity for which a Market Participant is financially responsible, equal to that Market Participant’s Capacity Requirement (if any) adjusted to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, as described in Section III.13.7.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation Acquiring Participant** is a load serving entity or any other Market Participant seeking to acquire a Capacity Load Obligation through a Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Network Import Capability (CNI Capability)** is as defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service (CNI Interconnection Service)** is as defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral** is a bilateral contract through which a Market Participant may transfer all or a portion of its Capacity Load Obligation to another entity, as described in Section III.13.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation Transferring Participant** is an entity that has a Capacity Load Obligation and is seeking to shed such obligation through a Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Network Resource (CNR)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.
**Capacity Network Resource Interconnection Service** (CNR Interconnection Service) is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.

**Capacity Performance Payment** is the performance-dependent portion of revenue received in the Forward Capacity Market beginning on June 1, 2018 pursuant to rules filed with the Commission on July 14, 2014.

**Capacity Rationing Rule** addresses whether offers and bids in a Forward Capacity Auction may be rationed, as described in Section III.13.2.6 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Requirement** is described in Section III.13.7.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Scarcity Condition** is a period during which performance is measured in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in the rules filed with the Commission on January 17, 2014, and accepted by the Commission on May 30, 2014.

**Capacity Supply Obligation** is an obligation to provide capacity from a resource, or a portion thereof, to satisfy a portion of the Installed Capacity Requirement that is acquired through a Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with Section III.13.2, a reconfiguration auction in accordance with Section III.13.4, or a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral in accordance with Section III.13.5.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral** is a bilateral contract through which a Market Participant may transfer all or a part of its Capacity Supply Obligation to another entity, as described in Section III.13.5.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Transfer Right (CTR)** is a financial right that entitles the holder to the difference in the Net Regional Clearing Prices between Capacity Zones for which the transfer right is defined, in the MW amount of the holder’s entitlement.

**Capacity Transferring Resource** is a resource that has a Capacity Supply Obligation and is seeking to shed such obligation, or a portion thereof, through: (1) a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.1, or; (2) an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, as described in Section III.13.4.
**Capacity Value** is the value (in kW-month) of a Demand Resource for a month determined pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Zone** is a geographic sub-region of the New England Control Area as determined in accordance with Section III.12.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Zone Demand Curves** are the demand curves used in the Forward Capacity Market for a Capacity Zone as specified in Sections III.13.2.2.2 and III.13.2.2.3.

**Capital Funding Charge (CFC)** is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

**CARL Data** is Control Area reliability data submitted to the ISO to permit an assessment of the ability of an external Control Area to provide energy to the New England Control Area in support of capacity offered to the New England Control Area by that external Control Area.

**Category A Designated Blackstart Resource** is a Designated Blackstart Resource that has committed to provide Blackstart Service under a “Signature Page for Schedule 16 of the NEPOOL OATT” that was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 2013 and has not been converted to a Category B Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Category B Designated Blackstart Resource** is a Designated Blackstart Resource that is not a Category A Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Charge** is a sum of money due from a Covered Entity to the ISO, either in its individual capacity or as billing and collection agent for NEPOOL pursuant to the Participants Agreement.

**CLAIM10** is the value, expressed in megawatts, calculated pursuant to Section III.9.5.3 of the Tariff.

**CLAIM30** is the value, expressed in megawatts, calculated pursuant to Section III.9.5.3 of the Tariff.

**Claimed Capability Audit** is performed to determine the real power output capability of a Generator Asset.
Cluster Enabling Transmission Upgrade (CETU) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Enabling Transmission Upgrade Regional Planning Study (CRPS) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Entry Deadline has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Interconnection System Impact Study (CSIS) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Clustering has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

CNR Capability is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.

Coincident Peak Contribution is a Market Participant’s share of the New England Control Area coincident peak demand for the prior calendar year as determined prior to the start of each power year, which reflects the sum of the prior year’s annual coincident peak contributions of the customers served by the Market Participant at each Load Asset in all Load Zones. Daily Coincident Peak Contribution values shall be submitted by the Assigned Meter Reader or Host Participant by the meter reading deadline to the ISO.

Commercial Capacity, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, is defined in Section VII.A of that policy.

Commission is the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Commitment Period is (i) for a Day-Ahead Energy Market commitment, a period of one or more contiguous hours for which a Resource is cleared in the Day-Ahead Energy Market, and (ii) for a Real-Time Energy Market commitment, the period of time for which the ISO indicates the Resource is being committed when it issues the Dispatch Instruction. If the ISO does not indicate the period of time for
which the Resource is being committed in the Real-Time Energy Market, then the Commitment Period is
the Minimum Run Time for an offline Resource and one hour for an online Resource.

**Common Costs** are those costs associated with a Station that are avoided only by the clearing of the
Static De-List Bids, the Permanent De-List Bids, or the Retirement De-List Bids of all the Existing
Generating Capacity Resources comprising the Station.

**Completed Application** is an Application that satisfies all of the information and other requirements of
the OATT, including any required deposit.

**Compliance Effective Date** is the date upon which the changes in the predecessor NEPOOL Open
Access Transmission Tariff which have been reflected herein to comply with the Commission’s Order of
April 20, 1998 became effective.

**Composite FCM Transaction** is a transaction for separate resources seeking to participate as a single
composite resource in a Forward Capacity Auction in which multiple Designated FCM Participants
provide capacity, as described in Section III.13.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Conditional Qualified New Resource** is defined in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f) of Market Rule 1.

**Confidential Information** is defined in Section 2.1 of the ISO New England Information Policy, which
is Attachment D to the Tariff.

**Confidentiality Agreement** is Attachment 1 to the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Congestion** is a condition of the New England Transmission System in which transmission limitations
prevent unconstrained regional economic dispatch of the power system. Congestion is the condition that
results in the Congestion Component of the Locational Marginal Price at one Location being different
from the Congestion Component of the Locational Marginal Price at another Location during any given
hour of the dispatch day in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market.

**Congestion Component** is the component of the nodal price that reflects the marginal cost of congestion
at a given Node or External Node relative to the reference point. When used in connection with Zonal
Price and Hub Price, the term Congestion Component refers to the Congestion Components of the nodal
prices that comprise the Zonal Price and Hub Price weighted and averaged in the same way that nodal
prices are weighted to determine Zonal Price and averaged to determine the Hub Price.

**Congestion Cost** is the cost of congestion as measured by the difference between the Congestion
Components of the Locational Marginal Prices at different Locations and/or Reliability Regions on the
New England Transmission System.

**Congestion Paying LSE** is, for the purpose of the allocation of FTR Auction Revenues to ARR Holders
as provided for in Appendix C of Market Rule 1, a Market Participant or Non-Market Participant
Transmission Customer that is responsible for paying for Congestion Costs as a Transmission Customer
paying for Regional Network Service under the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, unless such
Transmission Customer has transferred its obligation to supply load in accordance with ISO New England
System Rules, in which case the Congestion Paying LSE shall be the Market Participant supplying the
transferred load obligation. The term Congestion Paying LSE shall be deemed to include, but not be
limited to, the seller of internal bilateral transactions that transfer Real-Time Load Obligations under the

**Congestion Revenue Fund** is the amount available for payment of target allocations to FTR Holders
from the collection of Congestion Cost.

**Congestion Shortfall** means congestion payments exceed congestion charges during the billing process
in any billing period.

**Control Agreement** is the document posted on the ISO website that is required if a Market Participant’s
cash collateral is to be invested in BlackRock funds.

**Control Area** is an electric power system or combination of electric power systems to which a common
automatic generation control scheme is applied in order to:

1. match, at all times, the power output of the generators within the electric power system(s) and
capacity and energy purchased from entities outside the electric power system(s), with the load within the
electric power system(s);
2. maintain scheduled interchange with other Control Areas, within the limits of Good Utility
Practice;
(3) maintain the frequency of the electric power system(s) within reasonable limits in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the criteria of the applicable regional reliability council or the North American Electric Reliability Corporation; and
(4) provide sufficient generating capacity to maintain operating reserves in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

**Coordinated External Transaction** is an External Transaction at an external interface for which the enhanced scheduling procedures in Section III.1.10.7.A are implemented. A transaction to wheel energy into, out of or through the New England Control Area is not a Coordinated External Transaction.

**Coordinated Transaction Scheduling** means the enhanced scheduling procedures set forth in Section III.1.10.7.A.

**Correction Limit** means the date that is one hundred and one (101) calendar days from the last Operating Day of the month to which the data applied. As described in Section III.3.6.1 of Market Rule 1, this will be the period during which meter data corrections must be submitted unless they qualify for submission as a Requested Billing Adjustment under Section III.3.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Cost of Energy Consumed (CEC)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Cost of Energy Produced (CEP)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Cost of New Entry (CONE)** is the estimated cost of new entry ($/kW-month) for a capacity resource that is determined by the ISO for each Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.4.

**Counterparty** means the status in which the ISO acts as the contracting party, in its name and own right and not as an agent, to an agreement or transaction with a Customer (including assignments involving Customers) involving sale to the ISO, and/or purchase from the ISO, of Regional Transmission Service and market and other products and services, and other transactions and assignments involving Customers, all as described in the Tariff.

**Covered Entity** is defined in the ISO New England Billing Policy.
Credit Coverage is third-party credit protection obtained by the ISO, in the form of credit insurance coverage, a performance or surety bond, or a combination thereof.

Credit Qualifying means a Rated Market Participant that has an Investment Grade Rating and an Unrated Market Participant that satisfies the Credit Threshold.

Credit Threshold consists of the conditions for Unrated Market Participants outlined in Section II.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) is defined in Section 3.0(j) of the ISO New England Information Policy, which is Attachment D to the Tariff.

Current Ratio is, on any date, all of a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s current assets divided by all of its current liabilities, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

Curtailment is a reduction in the dispatch of a transaction that was scheduled, using transmission service, in response to a transfer capability shortage as a result of system reliability conditions.

Customer is a Market Participant, a Transmission Customer or another customer of the ISO.

Data Reconciliation Process means the process by which meter reconciliation and data corrections that are discovered by Governance Participants after the Invoice has been issued for a particular month or that are discovered prior to the issuance of the Invoice for the relevant month but not included in that Invoice or in the other Invoices for that month and are reconciled by the ISO on an hourly basis based on data submitted to the ISO by the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader or Assigned Meter Reader.

Day-Ahead is the calendar day immediately preceding the Operating Day.

Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

Day-Ahead Congestion Revenue is defined in Section III.3.2.1(f) of Market Rule 1.
**Day-Ahead Demand Reduction Obligation** is a cleared Demand Reduction Offer multiplied by one plus the percent average avoided peak distribution losses. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Day-Ahead Demand Reduction Obligation is the hourly demand reduction amounts of a Demand Response Resource scheduled by the ISO as a result of the Day-Ahead Energy Market, multiplied by one plus the percent average avoided peak distribution losses.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market** means the schedule of commitments for the purchase or sale of energy, payment of Congestion Costs, payment for losses developed by the ISO as a result of the offers and specifications submitted in accordance with Section III.1.10 of Market Rule 1 and purchase of demand reductions pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Congestion Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Energy Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Loss Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead External Transaction Export and Decrement Bid NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead External Transaction Import and Increment Offer NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Generation Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Load Response Program** provides a Day-Ahead aspect to the Load Response Program. The Day-Ahead Load Response Program allows Market Participants with registered Load Response Program
Assets to make energy reduction offers into the Day-Ahead Load Response Program concurrent with the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**Day-Ahead Locational Adjusted Net Interchange** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Loss Charges or Credits** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(h) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Loss Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(g) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Prices** means the Locational Marginal Prices resulting from the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**DDP Dispatchable Resource** is any Dispatchable Resource that the ISO dispatches using Desired Dispatch Points in the Resource’s Dispatch Instructions.

**Debt-to-Total Capitalization Ratio** is, on any date, a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s total debt (including all current borrowings) divided by its total shareholders’ equity plus total debt, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

**Decrement Bid** means a bid to purchase energy at a specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market which is not associated with a physical load. An accepted Decrement Bid results in scheduled load at the specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**Default Amount** is all or any part of any amount due to be paid by any Covered Entity that the ISO, in its reasonable opinion, believes will not or has not been paid when due (other than in the case of a payment dispute for any amount due for transmission service under the OATT).

**Default Period** is defined in Section 3.3.h(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Delivering Party** is the entity supplying capacity and/or energy to be transmitted at Point(s) of Receipt under the OATT.
**Demand Bid** means a request to purchase an amount of energy, at a specified Location, or an amount of energy at a specified price, that is associated with a physical load. A cleared Demand Bid in the Day-Ahead Energy Market results in scheduled load at the specified Location. Demand Bids submitted for use in the Real-Time Energy Market are specific to Dispatchable Asset Related Demands only.

**Demand Bid Block-Hours** are the Block-Hours assigned to the submitting Customer for each Demand Bid.

**Demand Designated Entity** is the entity designated by a Market Participant to receive Dispatch Instructions for Demand Response Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources in accordance with the provisions set forth in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14.

**Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Demand Reduction Offer. Blocks of the Demand Reduction Offer in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours for a given day. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for the entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of “available,” the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours.

**Demand Reduction Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant with a Real-Time Demand Response Asset to reduce demand. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Reduction Offer is an offer by a Market Participant with a Demand Response Resource to reduce demand.

**Demand Reduction Threshold Price** is a minimum offer price calculated pursuant to Section III.E1.6 and Section III.E2.6.

**Demand Reduction Value** is the quantity of reduced demand calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Demand Resource** is a resource defined as Demand Response Capacity Resources, On-Peak Demand Resources, Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. Demand Resources are installed measures (i.e., products, equipment,
systems, services, practices and/or strategies) that result in additional and verifiable reductions in end-use demand on the electricity network in the New England Control Area pursuant to Appendix III.E1 and Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1, or during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours, respectively. A Demand Resource may include a portfolio of measures aggregated together to meet or exceed the minimum Resource size requirements of the Forward Capacity Auction.

**Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit** is an audit initiated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.4.

**Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours** are those hours, or portions thereof, in which, absent the dispatch of Real-Time Demand Response Resources, Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide implementation of the action of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 4 where the ISO would have begun to allow the depletion of Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve is forecasted in the ISO’s most recent next-day forecast.

**Demand Resource On-Peak Hours** are hours ending 1400 through 1700, Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays during the months of June, July, and August and hours ending 1800 through 1900, Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays during the months of December and January.

**Demand Resource Operable Capacity Analysis** means an analysis performed by the ISO estimating the expected dispatch hours of active Demand Resources given different assumed levels of Demand Resources clearing in the primary Forward Capacity Auction.

**Demand Resource Performance Incentives** means the additional monthly capacity payment that a Demand Resource may earn for producing a positive Monthly Capacity Variance in a period where other Demand Resources yield a negative monthly capacity variance.

**Demand Resource Performance Penalties** means the reduction in the monthly capacity payment to a Demand Resource for producing a negative Monthly Capacity Variance.

**Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours** are those hours in which the actual, real-time hourly load, as measured using real-time telemetry (adjusted for transmission and distribution losses, and excluding load
associated with Exports and the pumping load associated with pumped storage generators) for Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays, during the months of June, July, August, December, and January, as determined by the ISO, is equal to or greater than 90% of the most recent 50/50 system peak load forecast, as determined by the ISO, for the applicable summer or winter season.

**Demand Response Asset** is an asset comprising the demand reduction capability of an individual end-use customer at a Retail Delivery Point or the aggregated demand reduction capability of multiple end use customers from multiple delivery points that meets the registration requirements in Section III.E2.2. The demand reduction of a Demand Response Asset is the difference between the Demand Response Asset’s actual demand measured at the Retail Delivery Point, which could reflect Net Supply, at the time the Demand Response Resource to which the asset is associated is dispatched by the ISO, and its adjusted Demand Response Baseline.

**Demand Response Available** is the capability of the Demand Response Resource, in whole or in part, at any given time, to reduce demand in response to a Dispatch Instruction.

**Demand Response Baseline** is the expected baseline demand of an individual end-use metered customer or group of end-use metered customers or the expected output levels of the generation of an individual end-use metered customer whose asset is comprised of Distributed Generation as determined pursuant to Section III.8A or Section III.8B.

**Demand Response Capacity Resource** is one or more Demand Response Resources located within the same Dispatch Zone, that is registered with the ISO, assigned a unique resource identification number by the ISO, and participates in the Forward Capacity Market to fulfill a Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation pursuant to Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.

**Demand Response Holiday** is New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. If the holiday falls on a Saturday, the holiday will be observed on the preceding Friday; if the holiday falls on a Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the following Monday.

**Demand Response Regulation Resource** is a Real-Time Demand Response Resource eligible to provide Regulation.
**Demand Response Resource** is an individual Demand Response Asset or aggregation of Demand Response Assets within a Dispatch Zone that meets the registration requirements and participates in the Energy Market pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

**Demand Response Resource Notification Time** is the minimum time, from the receipt of a Dispatch Instruction, that it takes a Demand Response Resource that was not previously reducing demand to start reducing demand.

**Demand Response Resource Ramp Rate** is the average rate, expressed in MW per minute, at which the Demand Response Resource can reduce demand.

**Demand Response Resource Start-Up Time** is the time required from the time a Demand Response Resource that was not previously reducing demand starts reducing demand in response to a Dispatch Instruction and the time the resource achieves its Minimum Reduction.

**Designated Agent** is any entity that performs actions or functions required under the OATT on behalf of the ISO, a Transmission Owner, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, an Eligible Customer, or a Transmission Customer.

**Designated Blackstart Resource** is a resource that meets the eligibility requirements specified in Schedule 16 of the OATT, and may be a Category A Designated Blackstart Resource or a Category B Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Designated Entity** is the entity designated by a Market Participant to receive Dispatch Instructions for generation and/or Dispatchable Asset Related Demand in accordance with the provisions set forth in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14.

**Designated FCM Participant** is any Lead Market Participant, including any Provisional Member that is a Lead Market Participant, transacting in any Forward Capacity Auction, reconfiguration auctions or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for capacity that is otherwise required to provide additional financial assurance under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
**Designated FTR Participant** is a Market Participant, including FTR-Only Customers, transacting in the FTR Auction that is otherwise required to provide additional financial assurance under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Desired Dispatch Point (DDP)** is the Dispatch Rate expressed in megawatts.

**Direct Assignment Facilities** are facilities or portions of facilities that are constructed for the sole use/benefit of a particular Transmission Customer requesting service under the OATT or a Generator Owner requesting an interconnection. Direct Assignment Facilities shall be specified in a separate agreement among the ISO, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Customer, as applicable, and the Transmission Owner whose transmission system is to be modified to include and/or interconnect with the Direct Assignment Facilities, shall be subject to applicable Commission requirements, and shall be paid for by the Customer in accordance with the applicable agreement and the Tariff.

**Directly Metered Assets** are specifically measured by OP-18 compliant metering as currently described in Section IV (Metering and Recording for Settlements) of OP-18. Directly Metered Assets include all Tie-Line Assets, all Generator Assets, as well as some Load Assets. Load Assets for which the Host Participant is not the Assigned Meter Reader are considered Directly Metered Assets. In addition, the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader determines which additional Load Assets are considered Directly Metered Assets and which ones are considered Profiled Load Assets based upon the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader reporting systems and process by which the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader allocates non-PTF losses.

**Disbursement Agreement** is the Rate Design and Funds Disbursement Agreement among the PTOs, as amended and restated from time to time.

**Dispatch Instruction** means directions given by the ISO to Market Participants, which may include instructions to start up, shut down, raise or lower generation, curtail or restore loads from Demand Resources, change External Transactions, or change the status or consumption of a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand in accordance with the Supply Offer, Demand Bid, or Demand Reduction Offer parameters. Such instructions may also require a change to the operation of a Pool Transmission Facility. Such instructions are given through either electronic or verbal means.
**Dispatch Rate** means the control signal, expressed in dollars per MWh and/or megawatts, calculated and transmitted to direct the output, consumption or demand reduction level of each generating Resource, Dispatchable Asset Related Demand and Demand Response Resource dispatched by the ISO in accordance with the Offer Data.

**Dispatch Zone** means a subset of Nodes located within a Load Zone established by the ISO for each Capacity Commitment Period pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.6.1.

**Dispatchable Asset Related Demand** is any portion of an Asset Related Demand of a Market Participant that is capable of having its energy consumption modified in Real-Time in response to Dispatch Instructions has Electronic Dispatch Capability, and must be able to increase or decrease energy consumption between its Minimum Consumption Limit and Maximum Consumption Limit in accordance with Dispatch Instructions and must meet the technical requirements specified in the ISO New England Manuals. Pumped storage facilities may qualify as Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resources, however, such resources shall not qualify as a capacity resource for both the generating output and dispatchable pumping demand of the facility.

**DARD Pump** is a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that consists of all or part of the pumping load of a pumped storage generating Resource and that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; (iii) is available for dispatch and manned or has automatic remote dispatch capability, and; (iv) is capable of receiving a start-up or shutdown Dispatch Instruction electronically.

**Dispatchable Resource** is any generating unit, Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, Demand Response Resource, Demand Response Regulation Resource or Alternative Technology Regulation Resource that, during the course of normal operation, is capable of receiving and responding to electronic Dispatch Instructions in accordance with the parameters contained in the Resource’s Supply Offer, Demand Bid, Demand Reduction Offer or Regulation Service Offer. A Resource that is normally classified as a Dispatchable Resource remains a Dispatchable Resource when it is temporarily not capable of receiving and responding to electronic Dispatch Instructions.

**Dispute Representatives** are defined in 6.5.c of the ISO New England Billing Policy.
Disputed Amount is a Covered Entity’s disputed amount due on any fully paid monthly Invoice and/or any amount believed to be due or owed on a Remittance Advice, as defined in Section 6 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Disputing Party, for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, is any Covered Entity seeking to recover a Disputed Amount.

Distributed Generation means generation resources directly connected to end-use customer load and located behind the end-use customer’s meter, which reduce the amount of energy that would otherwise have been produced by other capacity resources on the electricity network in the New England Control Area during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours, provided that the aggregate nameplate capacity of the generation resource does not exceed 5 MW, or does not exceed the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand of the end-use metered customer at the location where the generation resource is directly connected, whichever is greater. Generation resources cannot participate in the Forward Capacity Market or the Energy Markets as Demand Resources or Demand Response Resources, unless they meet the definition of Distributed Generation.

Do Not Exceed (DNE) Dispatchable Generator is any Generator Asset that is dispatched using Do Not Exceed Dispatch Points in its Dispatch Instructions and meets the criteria specified in Section III.11.3(e). Do Not Exceed Dispatchable Generators are Dispatchable Resources.

Do Not Exceed Dispatch Point is a Dispatch Instruction indicating a maximum output level that a DNE Dispatchable Generator must not exceed.

DR Auditing Period is the summer DR Auditing Period or winter DR Auditing Period as defined in Section III.13.6.1.5.4.3.1.

Dynamic De-List Bid is a bid that may be submitted by Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources in the Forward Capacity Auction below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(d) of Market Rule 1.

Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold is the price specified in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.A of Market Rule 1 associated with the submission of Dynamic De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity Auction.
EA Amount is defined in Section IV.B.2.2 of the Tariff.

Early Amortization Charge (EAC) is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

Early Amortization Working Capital Charge (EAWCC) is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

Early Payment Shortfall Funding Amount (EPSF Amount) is defined in Section IV.B.2.4 of the Tariff.

Early Payment Shortfall Funding Charge (EPSFC) is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

EAWW Amount is defined in Section IV.B.2.3 of the Tariff.

EBITDA-to-Interest Expense Ratio is, on any date, a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization in the most recent fiscal quarter divided by that Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s expense for interest in that fiscal quarter, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

Economic Dispatch Point is the output level or consumption level to which a Resource would have been dispatched, based on the Resource’s Supply Offer or Demand Bid and the Real-Time Price, and taking account of any operating limits, had the ISO not dispatched the Resource to another Desired Dispatch Point.

Economic Maximum Limit or Economic Max is the maximum available output, in MW, of a resource that a Market Participant offers to supply in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the resource’s Supply Offer. This represents the highest MW output a Market Participant has offered for a resource for economic dispatch. A Market Participant must maintain an up-to-date Economic Maximum Limit for all hours in which a resource has been offered into the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market.

Economic Minimum Limit or Economic Min is (a) for Resources with an incremental heat rate, the maximum of: (i) the lowest sustainable output level as specified by physical design characteristics,
environmental regulations or licensing limits; and (ii) the lowest sustainable output level at which a one
MW increment increase in the output level would not decrease the incremental cost, calculated based on
the incremental heat rate, of providing an additional MW of output, and (b) for Resources without an
incremental heat rate, the lowest sustainable output level that is consistent with the physical design
characteristics of the Resource and with meeting all environmental regulations and licensing limits, and
(c) for Resources undergoing Facility and Equipment Testing or auditing, the level to which the Resource
requests and is approved to operate or is directed to operate for purposes of completing the Facility and
Equipment Testing or auditing, and (d) for Non-Dispatchable Resources the output level at which a
Market Participant anticipates its Non-Dispatchable Resource will be available to operate based on fuel
limitations, physical design characteristics, environmental regulations or licensing limits.

**Economic Study** is defined in Section 4.1(b) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Effective Offer** is the set of Supply Offer values (or Demand Bid values in the case of DARD Pumps)
that are used for NCPC calculation purposes as specified in Section III.F.1.a.

**EFT** is electronic funds transfer.

**Elective Transmission Upgrade** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer** is defined in Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Electric Reliability Organization (ERO)** is defined in 18 C.F.R. § 39.1.

**Electronic Dispatch Capability** is the ability to provide for the electronic transmission, receipt, and
acknowledgment of data relative to the dispatch of generating units and Dispatchable Asset Related
Demands and the ability to carry out the real-time dispatch processes from ISO issuance of Dispatch
Instructions to the actual increase or decrease in output of Dispatchable Resources.

**Eligible Customer** is: (i) Any entity that is engaged, or proposes to engage, in the wholesale or retail
electric power business is an Eligible Customer under the OATT.  (ii) Any electric utility (including any
power marketer), Federal power marketing agency, or any other entity generating electric energy for sale
or for resale is an Eligible Customer under the OATT. Electric energy sold or produced by such entity
may be electric energy produced in the United States, Canada or Mexico. However, with respect to
transmission service that the Commission is prohibited from ordering by Section 212(h) of the Federal Power Act, such entity is eligible only if the service is provided pursuant to a state requirement that the Transmission Owner with which that entity is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) offer the unbundled transmission service or Local Delivery Service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by the Transmission Owner with which that entity is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer). (iii) Any end user taking or eligible to take unbundled transmission service or Local Delivery Service pursuant to a state requirement that the Transmission Owner with which that end user is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) offer the transmission service or Local Delivery Service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by the Transmission Owner with which that end user is directly interconnected, or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) is an Eligible Customer under the OATT.

**Eligible FTR Bidder** is an entity that has satisfied applicable financial assurance criteria, and shall not include the auctioneer, its Affiliates, and their officers, directors, employees, consultants and other representatives.

**Emergency** is an abnormal system condition on the bulk power systems of New England or neighboring Control Areas requiring manual or automatic action to maintain system frequency, or to prevent the involuntary loss of load, equipment damage, or tripping of system elements that could adversely affect the reliability of an electric system or the safety of persons or property; or a fuel shortage requiring departure from normal operating procedures in order to minimize the use of such scarce fuel; or a condition that requires implementation of Emergency procedures as defined in the ISO New England Manuals.

**Emergency Condition** means an Emergency has been declared by the ISO in accordance with the procedures set forth in the ISO New England Manuals and ISO New England Administrative Procedures.

**Emergency Energy** is energy transferred from one control area operator to another in an Emergency.

**Emergency Minimum Limit or Emergency Min** means the minimum generation amount, in MWs, that a generating unit can deliver for a limited period of time without exceeding specified limits of equipment stability and operating permits.
EMS is energy management system.

End-of-Round Price is the lowest price associated with a round of a Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

End User Participant is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

Energy is power produced in the form of electricity, measured in kilowatthours or megawatthours.

Energy Administration Service (EAS) is the service provided by the ISO, as described in Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff.

Energy Component means the Locational Marginal Price at the reference point.

Energy Efficiency is installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy needed, while delivering a comparable or improved level of end-use service. Such measures include, but are not limited to, the installation of more energy efficient lighting, motors, refrigeration, HVAC equipment and control systems, envelope measures, operations and maintenance procedures, and industrial process equipment.

Energy Imbalance Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 4 of the OATT.


Energy Non-Zero Spot Market Settlement Hours are the sum of the hours for which the Customer has a positive or negative Real-Time System Adjusted Net Interchange or for which the Customer has a positive or negative Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation as determined by the ISO settlement process for the Energy Market.

Energy Offer Cap is $1,000/MWh.

Energy Offer Floor is negative $150/MWh.
**Energy Transaction Units (Energy TUs)** are the sum for the month for a Customer of Bilateral Contract Block-Hours, Demand Bid Block-Hours, Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours, Supply Offer Block-Hours, Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours, and Energy Non-Zero Spot Market Settlement Hours.

**Enrolling Participant** is the Market Participant that registers Customers for the Load Response Program.

**Equipment Damage Reimbursement** is the compensation paid to the owner of a Designated Blackstart Resource as specified in Section 5.5 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Equivalent Demand Forced Outage Rate (EFORd)** means the portion of time a unit is in demand, but is unavailable due to forced outages.

**Estimated Capacity Load Obligation** is, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, the Capacity Requirement from the latest available month, adjusted as appropriate to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICCs, and Self-Supplied FCA Resource designations for the applicable month.

**Establish Claimed Capability Audit** is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.2.

**Excepted Transaction** is a transaction specified in Section II.40 of the Tariff for the applicable period specified in that Section.

**Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline** is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Capacity Qualification Package** is information submitted for certain existing resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Capacity Resource** is any resource that does not meet any of the eligibility criteria to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Capacity Resource, and, subject to ISO evaluation, for the Forward Capacity Auction to be conducted beginning February 1, 2008, any resource that is under construction and within 12 months of its expected commercial operations date.
**Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline** is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Capacity Retirement Package** is information submitted for certain existing resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.4.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Generating Capacity Resource** is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Existing Import Capacity Resource** is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Expedited Study Request** is defined in Section II.34.7 of the OATT.

**Export-Adjusted LSR** is as defined in Section III.12.4(b)(ii).

**Export Bid** is a bid that may be submitted by certain resources in the Forward Capacity Auction to export capacity to an external Control Area, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Exports** are Real-Time External Transactions, which are limited to sales from the New England Control Area, for exporting energy out of the New England Control Area.

**External Elective Transmission Upgrade (External ETU)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**External Market Monitor** means the person or entity appointed by the ISO Board of Directors pursuant to Section III.A.1.2 of Appendix A of Market Rule 1 to carry out the market monitoring and mitigation functions specified in Appendix A and elsewhere in Market Rule 1.
**External Node** is a proxy bus or buses used for establishing a Locational Marginal Price for energy received by Market Participants from, or delivered by Market Participants to, a neighboring Control Area or for establishing Locational Marginal Prices associated with energy delivered through the New England Control Area by Non-Market Participants for use in calculating Non-Market Participant Congestion Costs and loss costs.

**External Resource** means a generation resource located outside the metered boundaries of the New England Control Area.

**External Transaction** is the import of external energy into the New England Control Area by a Market Participant or the export of internal energy out of the New England Control Area by a Market Participant in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and/or Real-Time Energy Market, or the wheeling of external energy through the New England Control Area by a Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant in the Real-Time Energy Market.

**External Transmission Project** is a transmission project comprising facilities located wholly outside the New England Control Area and regarding which an agreement has been reached whereby New England ratepayers will support all or a portion of the cost of the facilities.

**Facilities Study** is an engineering study conducted pursuant to the OATT by the ISO (or, in the case of Local Service or interconnections to Local Area Facilities as defined in the TOA, by one or more affected PTOs) or some other entity designated by the ISO in consultation with any affected Transmission Owner(s), to determine the required modifications to the PTF and Non-PTF, including the cost and scheduled completion date for such modifications, that will be required to provide a requested transmission service or interconnection on the PTF and Non-PTF.

**Facility and Equipment Testing** means operation of a Resource to evaluate the functionality of the facility or equipment utilized in the operation of the facility.

**Failure to Maintain Blackstart Capability** is a failure of a Blackstart Owner or Designated Blackstart Resource to meet the Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria or Blackstart Service obligations, but does not include a Failure to Perform During a System Restoration event.
**Failure to Perform During a System Restoration** is a failure of a Blackstart Owner or Designated Blackstart Resource to follow ISO or Local Control Center dispatch instructions or perform in accordance with the dispatch instructions or the Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria and Blackstart Service obligations, described within the ISO New England Operating Documents, during a restoration of the New England Transmission System.

**Fast Start Demand Response Resource** is a Demand Response Resource that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Reduction Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Time Between Reductions does not exceed one hour; (iii) Demand Response Resource Start-Up Time plus Demand Response Resource Notification Time does not exceed 30 minutes; (iv) has personnel available to respond to Dispatch Instructions or has automatic remote response capability; and (v) is capable of receiving and acknowledging a Dispatch Instruction electronically.

**Fast Start Generator** means a generating unit that the ISO may dispatch within the hour through electronic dispatch and that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; (iii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes; (iv) available for dispatch and manned or has automatic remote dispatch capability; and (v) capable of receiving and acknowledging a start-up or shut-down dispatch instruction electronically.

**FCA Cleared Export Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**FCA Payment** is the monthly capacity payment for a resource whose offer has cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.7.2.1.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**FCA Qualified Capacity** is the Qualified Capacity that is used in a Forward Capacity Auction.
**FCM Capacity Charge Requirements** are calculated in accordance with Section VII.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Charge Rate** is calculated in accordance with Section VII.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Deposit** is calculated in accordance with Section VII.B.1 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Financial Assurance Requirements** are described in Section VII of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Final Forward Reserve Obligation** is calculated in accordance with Section III.9.8(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Financial Assurance Default** results from a Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s failure to comply with the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.


**Financial Transmission Right (FTR)** is a financial instrument that evidences the rights and obligations specified in Sections III.5.2.2 and III.7 of the Tariff.

**Firm Point-To-Point Service** is service which is arranged for and administered between specified Points of Receipt and Delivery in accordance with Part II.C of the OATT.

**Firm Transmission Service** is Regional Network Service, Through or Out Service, service for Excepted Transactions, firm MTF Service, firm OTF Service, and firm Local Service.

**Flexible DNE Dispatchable Generator** is any DNE Dispatchable Generator that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; and (iii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes.
**Force Majeure** - An event of Force Majeure means any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy or terrorists, war, invasion, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, ice, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any curtailment, order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond the control of the ISO, a Transmission Owner, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or a Customer, including without limitation, in the case of the ISO, any action or inaction by a Customer, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or a Transmission Owner, in the case of a Transmission Owner, any action or inaction by the ISO, any Customer, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or any other Transmission Owner, in the case of a Schedule 20A Service Provider, any action or inaction by the ISO, any Customer, a Transmission Owner, or any other Schedule 20A Service Provider, and, in the case of a Transmission Customer, any action or inaction by the ISO, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or any Transmission Owner.

**Forecast Hourly Demand Reduction** means the estimated maximum quantity of energy reduction (MWh), measured at the end-use customer meter that can be produced by a Real-Time Demand Response Resource, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, in each hour of an Operating Day. For a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset that is metered at the generator and associated with a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, the Forecast Hourly Demand Reduction means the estimated maximum generator output (MWh) in each hour of an Operating Day.

**Formal Warning** is defined in Section III.B.4.1.1 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Formula-Based Sanctions** are defined in Section III.B.4.1.3 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Auction (FCA)** is the annual descending clock auction in the Forward Capacity Market auction process, as described in Section III.13.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.2.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Market (FCM)** is the forward market for procuring capacity in the New England Control Area, as described in Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve** means TMNSR and TMOR purchased by the ISO on a forward basis on behalf of Market Participants as provided for in Section III.9 of Market Rule 1.
**Forward Reserve Assigned Megawatts** is the amount of Forward Reserve, in megawatts, that a Market Participant assigns to eligible Forward Reserve Resources to meet its Forward Reserve Obligation as defined in Section III.9.4.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Auction** is the periodic auction conducted by the ISO in accordance with Section III.9 of Market Rule 1 to procure Forward Reserve.

**Forward Reserve Auction Offers** are offers to provide Forward Reserve to meet system and Reserve Zone requirements as submitted by a Market Participant in accordance with Section III.9.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Charge** is a Market Participant’s share of applicable system and Reserve Zone Forward Reserve costs attributable to meeting the Forward Reserve requirement as calculated in accordance with Section III.9.9 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Clearing Price** is the clearing price for TMNSR or TMOR, as applicable, for the system and each Reserve Zone resulting from the Forward Reserve Auction as defined in Section III.9.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Credit** is the credit received by a Market Participant that is associated with that Market Participant’s Final Forward Reserve Obligation as calculated in accordance with Section III.9.8 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Delivered Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.6.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Delivery Period** is defined in Section III.9.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.7.2(a) of Market Rule 1.
**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Penalty** is the penalty associated with a Market Participant’s failure to activate Forward Reserve when requested to do so by the ISO and is defined in Section III.9.7.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Penalty Rate** is specified in Section III.9.7.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve**, as specified in Section III.9.7.1 of Market Rule 1, occurs when a Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Delivered Megawatts for a Reserve Zone in an hour is less than that Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Obligation for that Reserve Zone in that hour. Under these circumstances the Market Participant pays a penalty based upon the Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty Rate and that Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Megawatts.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.7.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty** is the penalty associated with a Market Participant’s failure to reserve Forward Reserve and is defined in Section III.9.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty Rate** is specified in Section III.9.7.1(b)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Fuel Index** is the index or set of indices used to calculate the Forward Reserve Threshold Price as defined in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Heat Rate** is the heat rate as defined in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1 that is used to calculate the Forward Reserve Threshold Price.

**Forward Reserve Market** is a market for forward procurement of two reserve products, Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR) and Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR).

**Forward Reserve MWs** are those megawatts assigned to specific eligible Forward Reserve Resources which convert a Forward Reserve Obligation into a Resource-specific obligation.
**Forward Reserve Obligation** is a Market Participant’s amount, in megawatts, of Forward Reserve that cleared in the Forward Reserve Auction and adjusted, as applicable, to account for bilateral transactions that transfer Forward Reserve Obligations.

**Forward Reserve Obligation Charge** is defined in Section III.10.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Offer Cap** is $9,000/megawatt-month.

**Forward Reserve Payment Rate** is defined in Section III.9.8 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Procurement Period** is defined in Section III.9.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Qualifying Megawatts** refer to all or a portion of a Forward Reserve Resource’s capability offered into the Real-Time Energy Market at energy offer prices above the applicable Forward Reserve Threshold Price that are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.6.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Resource** is a Resource that meets the eligibility requirements defined in Section III.9.5.2 of Market Rule 1 that has been assigned Forward Reserve Obligation by a Market Participant.

**Forward Reserve Threshold Price** is the minimum price at which assigned Forward Reserve Megawatts are required to be offered into the Real-Time Energy Market as calculated in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Auction** is the periodic auction of FTRs conducted by the ISO in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Auction Revenue** is the revenue collected from the sale of FTRs in FTR Auctions. FTR Auction Revenue is payable to FTR Holders who submit their FTRs for sale in the FTR Auction in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and to ARR Holders and Incremental ARR Holders in accordance with Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Award Financial Assurance** is a required amount of financial assurance that must be maintained at all times from a Designated FTR Participant for each FTR awarded to the participant in any FTR
Auctions. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Bid Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required from a Designated FTR Participant for each bid submission into an FTR auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.B of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(b) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Financial Assurance Requirements** are described in Section VI of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Holder** is an entity that acquires an FTR through the FTR Auction to Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and registers with the ISO as the holder of the FTR in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and applicable ISO New England Manuals.

**FTR-Only Customer** is a Market Participant that transacts in the FTR Auction and that does not participate in other markets or programs of the New England Markets. References in this Tariff to a “Non-Market Participant FTR Customers” and similar phrases shall be deemed references to an FTR-Only Customer.

**FTR Settlement Risk Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required by a Designated FTR Participant for each bid submission into an FTR Auction and for each bid awarded to the individual participant in an FTR Auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.A of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**GADS Data** means data submitted to the NERC for collection into the NERC’s Generating Availability Data System (GADS).

**Gap Request for Proposals (Gap RFP)** is defined in Section III.11 of Market Rule 1.

**Gas Day** means a period of 24 consecutive hours beginning at 0900 hrs Central Time.
**Generating Capacity Resource** means a New Generating Capacity Resource or an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

**Generator Asset** is a generator that has been registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.

**Generator Imbalance Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 10 of the OATT.

**Generator Interconnection Related Upgrade** is an addition to or modification of the New England Transmission System (pursuant to Section II.47.1, Schedule 22 or Schedule 23 of the OATT) to effect the interconnection of a new generating unit or an existing generating unit whose energy capability or capacity capability is being materially changed and increased whether or not the interconnection is being effected to meet the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard or the Network Capability Interconnection Standard. As to Category A Projects (as defined in Schedule 11 of the OATT), a Generator Interconnection Related Upgrade also includes an upgrade beyond that required to satisfy the Network Capability Interconnection Standard (or its predecessor) for which the Generator Owner has committed to pay prior to October 29, 1998.

**Generator Owner** is the owner, in whole or part, of a generating unit whether located within or outside the New England Control Area.

**Good Utility Practice** means any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather includes all acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region, including those practices required by Federal Power Act Section 215(a)(4).

**Governance Only Member** is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Governance Participant** is defined in the Participants Agreement.
**Governing Documents**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, are the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff and ISO Participants Agreement.

**Governing Rating** is the lowest corporate rating from any Rating Agency for that Market Participant, or, if the Market Participant has no corporate rating, then the lowest rating from any Rating Agency for that Market Participant’s senior unsecured debt.

**Grandfathered Agreements (GAs)** is a transaction specified in Section II.45 for the applicable period specified in that Section.

**Grandfathered Intertie Agreement (GIA)** is defined pursuant to the TOA.

**Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs** is the Total Other Production Plant index shown in the Cost Trends of Electric Utility Construction for the North Atlantic Region as published in the Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs.

**Highgate Transmission Facilities (HTF)** are existing U. S.-based transmission facilities covered under the Agreement for Joint Ownership, Construction and Operation of the Highgate Transmission Interconnection dated as of August 1, 1984 including (1) the whole of a 200 megawatt high-voltage, back-to-back, direct-current converter facility located in Highgate, Vermont and (2) a 345 kilovolt transmission line within Highgate and Franklin, Vermont (which connects the converter facility at the U.S.-Canadian border to a Hydro-Quebec 120 kilovolt line in Bedford, Quebec). The HTF include any upgrades associated with increasing the capacity or changing the physical characteristics of these facilities as defined in the above stated agreement dated August 1, 1984 until the Operations Date, as defined in the TOA. The current HTF rating is a nominal 225 MW. The HTF are not defined as PTF. Coincident with the Operations Date and except as stipulated in Schedules, 9, 12, and Attachment F to the OATT, HTF shall be treated in the same manner as PTF for purposes of the OATT and all references to PTF in the OATT shall be deemed to apply to HTF as well. The treatment of the HTF is not intended to establish any binding precedent or presumption with regard to the treatment for other transmission facilities within the New England Transmission System (including HVDC, MTF, or Control Area Interties) for purposes of the OATT.
**Host Participant or Host Utility** is a Market Participant or a Governance Participant transmission or distribution provider that reconciles the loads within the metering domain with OP-18 compliant metering.

**Hourly Calculated Demand Resource Performance Value** means the performance of a Demand Resource during Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours and Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours for purposes of calculating a Demand Reduction Value pursuant to Sections III.13.7.1.5.7.3 and III.13.7.1.5.8.3.

**Hourly Charges** are defined in Section 1.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Hourly PER** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.1.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the difference between the Average Hourly Load Reduction or Average Hourly Output of the Real-Time Demand Response Resource and the amount of load reduction or output that the Market Participant was instructed to produce pursuant to a Dispatch Instruction calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.7.3.1.

**Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource Deviation** is calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.8.3.1.

**Hourly Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(i) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Hourly Shortfall NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Hub** is a specific set of pre-defined Nodes for which a Locational Marginal Price will be calculated for the Day-Ahead Energy Market and Real-Time Energy Market and which can be used to establish a reference price for energy purchases and the transfer of Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligations and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligations and for the designation of FTRs.

**Hub Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.8 of Market Rule 1.
**HQ Interconnection Capability Credit (HQICC)** is a monthly value reflective of the annual installed capacity benefits of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF, as determined by the ISO, using a standard methodology on file with the Commission, in conjunction with the setting of the Installed Capacity Requirement. An appropriate share of the HQICC shall be assigned to an IRH if the Phase I/II HVDC-TF support costs are paid by that IRH and such costs are not included in the calculation of the Regional Network Service rate. The share of HQICC allocated to such an eligible IRH for a month is the sum in kilowatts of (1)(a) the IRH’s percentage share, if any, of the Phase I Transfer Capability times (b) the Phase I Transfer Credit, plus (2)(a) the IRH’s percentage share, if any, of the Phase II Transfer Capability, times (b) the Phase II Transfer Credit. The ISO shall establish appropriate HQICCs to apply for an IRH which has such a percentage share.

**Import Capacity Resource** means an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource offered to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from an external Control Area.

**Inadvertent Energy Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(k) of Market Rule 1.

**Inadvertent Energy Revenue Charges or Credits** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(l) of Market Rule 1.

**Inadvertent Interchange** means the difference between net actual energy flow and net scheduled energy flow into or out of the New England Control Area.

**Increment Offer** means an offer to sell energy at a specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market which is not associated with a physical supply. An accepted Increment Offer results in scheduled generation at the specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**Incremental ARR** is an ARR provided in recognition of a participant-funded transmission system upgrade pursuant to Appendix C of this Market Rule.

**Incremental ARR Holder** is an entity which is the record holder of an Incremental Auction Revenue Right in the register maintained by the ISO.

**Incremental Cost of Reliability Service** is described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.2 of Market Rule 1.
**Independent Transmission Company (ITC)** is a transmission entity that assumes certain responsibilities in accordance with Section 10.05 of the Transmission Operating Agreement and Attachment M to the OATT, subject to the acceptance or approval of the Commission and a finding of the Commission that the transmission entity satisfies applicable independence requirements.

**Information Request** is a request from a potential Disputing Party submitted in writing to the ISO for access to Confidential Information.

**Initial Market Participant Financial Assurance Requirement** is calculated for new Market Participants and Returning Market Participants, other than an FTR-Only Customer or a Governance Only Member, according to Section IV of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Installed Capacity Requirement** means the level of capacity required to meet the reliability requirements defined for the New England Control Area, as described in Section III.12 of Market Rule 1.

**Interchange Transactions** are transactions deemed to be effected under Market Rule 1.

**Interconnecting Transmission Owner** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interconnection Agreement** is the “Large Generator Interconnection Agreement”, the “Small Generator Interconnection Agreement”, or the “Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Agreement” pursuant to Schedules 22, 23 or 25 of the ISO OATT or an interconnection agreement approved by the Commission prior to the adoption of the Interconnection Procedures.

**Interconnection Customer** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, or Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interconnection Procedure** is the “Large Generator Interconnection Procedures”, the “Small Generator Interconnection Procedures”, or the “Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Procedures” pursuant to Schedules 22, 23, and 25 of the ISO OATT.
**Interconnection Request** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, or Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interconnection Rights Holder(s) (IRH)** has the meaning given to it in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interest** is interest calculated in the manner specified in Section II.8.3.

**Interface Bid** is a unified real-time bid to simultaneously purchase and sell energy on each side of an external interface for which the enhanced scheduling procedures in Section III.1.10.7.A are implemented.

**Intermittent Power Resource** is a wind, solar, run of river hydro or other renewable resource that does not have control over its net power output.

**Intermittent Settlement Only Resource** is a Settlement Only Resource that is also an Intermittent Power Resource.

**Internal Bilateral for Load** is an internal bilateral transaction under which the buyer receives a reduction in Real-Time Load Obligation and the seller receives a corresponding increase in Real-Time Load Obligation in the amount of the sale, in MWs. An Internal Bilateral for Load transaction is only applicable in the Real-Time Energy Market.

**Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy** is an internal bilateral transaction for Energy which applies in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and Real-Time Energy Market or just the Real-Time Energy Market under which the buyer receives a reduction in Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation and the seller receives a corresponding increase in Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation in the amount of the sale, in MWs.

**Internal Elective Transmission Upgrade (Internal ETU)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.
**Internal Market Monitor** means the department of the ISO responsible for carrying out the market monitoring and mitigation functions specified in Appendix A and elsewhere in Market Rule 1.

**Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee (IPSAC)** is the committee described as such in the Northeast Planning Protocol.

**Interregional Transmission Project** is a transmission project located within the New England Control Area and one or more of the neighboring transmission planning regions.

**Interruption Cost** is the amount, in dollars, that must be paid to a Market Participant each time the Market Participant’s Demand Response Resource is scheduled or dispatched in the New England Markets to reduce demand.

**Investment Grade Rating**, for a Market (other than an FTR-Only Customer) or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer, is either (a) a corporate investment grade rating from one or more of the Rating Agencies, or (b) if the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer does not have a corporate rating from one of the Rating Agencies, then an investment grade rating for the Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s senior unsecured debt from one or more of the Rating Agencies.

**Invoice** is a statement issued by the ISO for the net Charge owed by a Covered Entity pursuant to the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Invoice Date** is the day on which the ISO issues an Invoice.

**ISO** means ISO New England Inc.

**ISO Charges**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, are both Non-Hourly Charges and Hourly Charges.

**ISO Control Center** is the primary control center established by the ISO for the exercise of its Operating Authority and the performance of functions as an RTO.
**ISO-Initiated Claimed Capability Audit** is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.4.


**ISO New England Billing Policy** is Exhibit ID to Section I of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Filed Documents** means the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, including but not limited to Market Rule 1, the Participants Agreement, the Transmission Operating Agreement or other documents that affect the rates, terms and conditions of service.

**ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy** is Exhibit IA to Section I of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Information Policy** is the policy establishing guidelines regarding the information received, created and distributed by Market Participants and the ISO in connection with the settlement, operation and planning of the System, as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions of this Tariff. The ISO New England Information Policy is Attachment D to the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Manuals** are the manuals implementing Market Rule 1, as amended from time to time in accordance with the Participants Agreement. Any elements of the ISO New England Manuals that substantially affect rates, terms, and/or conditions of service shall be filed with the Commission under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

**ISO New England Operating Documents** are the Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures.

**ISO New England Operating Procedures** are the ISO New England Planning Procedures and the operating guides, manuals, procedures and protocols developed and utilized by the ISO for operating the ISO bulk power system and the New England Markets.
**ISO New England Planning Procedures** are the procedures developed and utilized by the ISO for planning the ISO bulk power system.


**ITC Agreement** is defined in Attachment M to the OATT.

**ITC Rate Schedule** is defined in Section 3.1 of Attachment M to the OATT.

**ITC System** is defined in Section 2.2 of Attachment M to the OATT.

**ITC System Planning Procedures** is defined in Section 15.4 of Attachment M to the OATT.

**Joint ISO/RTO Planning Committee (JIPC)** is the committee described as such in the Northeastern Planning Protocol.

**Late Payment Account** is a segregated interest-bearing account into which the ISO deposits Late Payment Charges due from ISO Charges and interest owed from participants for late payments that are collected and not distributed to the Covered Entities, until the Late Payment Account Limit is reached, under the ISO New England Billing Policy and penalties collected under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Late Payment Account Limit** is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Late Payment Charge** is defined in Section 4.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Lead Market Participant**, for purposes other than the Forward Capacity Market, is the entity authorized to submit Supply Offers, Demand Bids or Demand Reduction Offers for a Resource and to whom certain Energy TUs are assessed under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff. For purposes of the Forward Capacity Market, the Lead Market Participant is the entity designated to participate in that market on behalf of an Existing Capacity Resource or a New Capacity Resource.
**Limited Energy Resource** means generating resources that, due to design considerations, environmental restriction on operations, cyclical requirements, such as the need to recharge or refill or manage water flow, or fuel limitations, are unable to operate continuously at full output on a daily basis.

**Load Asset** means a physical load that has been registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.

**Load Management** means installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that curtail electrical usage or shift electrical usage from Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, or Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours to other hours and reduce the amount of capacity needed, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include, but are not limited to, energy management systems, load control end-use cycling, load curtailment strategies, chilled water storage, and other forms of electricity storage.

**Load Response Program** means the program implemented and administered by the ISO to promote demand side response as described in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

**Load Response Program Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned an identification number, that participate in the Load Response Program and which encompass assets registered in the Real-Time Price Response Program or Real-Time Demand Response Assets, and are further described in Appendix E of Market Rule 1.

**Load Shedding** is the systematic reduction of system demand by temporarily decreasing load.

**Load Zone** is a Reliability Region, except as otherwise provided for in Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Local Area Facilities** are defined in the TOA.

**Local Benefit Upgrade(s) (LBU)** is an upgrade, modification or addition to the transmission system that is: (i) rated below 115kV or (ii) rated 115kV or above and does not meet all of the non-voltage criteria for PTF classification specified in the OATT.
Local Control Centers are those control centers in existence as of the effective date of the OATT (including the CONVEX, REMVEC, Maine and New Hampshire control centers) or established by the PTOs in accordance with the TOA that are separate from the ISO Control Center and perform certain functions in accordance with the OATT and the TOA.

Local Delivery Service is the service of delivering electric energy to end users. This service is subject to state jurisdiction regardless of whether such service is provided over local distribution or transmission facilities. An entity that is an Eligible Customer under the OATT is not excused from any requirements of state law, or any order or regulation issued pursuant to state law, to arrange for Local Delivery Service with the Participating Transmission Owner and/or distribution company providing such service and to pay all applicable charges associated with such service, including charges for stranded costs and benefits.

Local Network is defined as the transmission facilities constituting a local network as identified in Attachment E, as such Attachment may be modified from time to time in accordance with the Transmission Operating Agreement.

Local Network Load is the load that a Network Customer designates for Local Network Service under Schedule 21 to the OATT.

Local Network RNS Rate is the rate applicable to Regional Network Service to effect a delivery to load in a particular Local Network, as determined in accordance with Schedule 9 to the OATT.

Local Network Service (LNS) is the network service provided under Schedule 21 and the Local Service Schedules to permit the Transmission Customer to efficiently and economically utilize its resources to serve its load.

Local Point-To-Point Service (LPTP) is Point-to-Point Service provided under Schedule 21 of the OATT and the Local Service Schedules to permit deliveries to or from an interconnection point on the PTF.

Local Public Policy Transmission Upgrade is any addition and/or upgrade to the New England Transmission System with a voltage level below 115kV that is required in connection with the construction of a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade approved for inclusion in the Regional System.
Plan pursuant to Attachment K to the ISO OATT or included in a Local System Plan in accordance with Appendix 1 to Attachment K.

**Local Resource Adequacy Requirement** is calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.1.

**Local Second Contingency Protection Resources** are those Resources identified by the ISO on a daily basis as necessary for the provision of Operating Reserve requirements and adherence to NERC, NPCC and ISO reliability criteria over and above those Resources required to meet first contingency reliability criteria within a Reliability Region.

**Local Service** is transmission service provided under Schedule 21 and the Local Service Schedules thereto.

**Local Service Schedule** is a PTO-specific schedule to the OATT setting forth the rates, charges, terms and conditions applicable to Local Service.

**Local Sourcing Requirement (LSR)** is a value calculated as described in Section III.12.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Local System Planning (LSP)** is the process defined in Appendix 1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Localized Costs** are the incremental costs resulting from a RTEP02 Upgrade or a Regional Benefit Upgrade or a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade that exceeds those requirements that the ISO deems reasonable and consistent with Good Utility Practice and the current engineering design and construction practices in the area in which the Transmission Upgrade is built. In making its determination of whether Localized Costs exist, the ISO will consider, in accordance with Schedule 12C of the OATT, the reasonableness of the proposed engineering design and construction method with respect to alternate feasible Transmission Upgrades and the relative costs, operation, timing of implementation, efficiency and reliability of the proposed Transmission Upgrade. The ISO, with advisory input from the Reliability Committee, as appropriate, shall review such Transmission Upgrade, and determine whether there are any Localized Costs resulting from such Transmission Upgrade. If there are any such costs, the ISO shall identify them in the Regional System Plan.
**Location** is a Node, External Node, Load Zone or Hub. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, the Location also is a Dispatch Zone.

**Locational Marginal Price (LMP)** is defined in Section III.2 of Market Rule 1. The Locational Marginal Price for a Node is the nodal price at that Node; the Locational Marginal Price for an External Node is the nodal price at that External Node; the Locational Marginal Price for a Load Zone or Reliability Region is the Zonal Price for that Load Zone or Reliability Region, respectively; and the Locational Marginal Price for a Hub is the Hub Price for that Hub. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, the Locational Marginal Price for a Dispatch Zone is the Zonal Price for that Dispatch Zone.

**Long Lead Time Facility (Long Lead Facility)** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22 and Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Long-Term** is a term of one year or more.

**Long-Term Transmission Outage** is a long-term transmission outage scheduled in accordance with ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 3.

**Loss Component** is the component of the nodal LMP at a given Node or External Node on the PTF that reflects the cost of losses at that Node or External Node relative to the reference point. The Loss Component of the nodal LMP at a given Node on the non-PTF system reflects the relative cost of losses at that Node adjusted as required to account for losses on the non-PTF system already accounted for through tariffs associated with the non-PTF. When used in connection with Hub Price or Zonal Price, the term Loss Component refers to the Loss Components of the nodal LMPs that comprise the Hub Price or Zonal Price, which Loss Components are averaged or weighted in the same way that nodal LMPs are averaged to determine Hub Price or weighted to determine Zonal Price.

**Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE)** is the probability of disconnecting non-interruptible customers due to a resource deficiency.

**Lost Opportunity Cost (LOC)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.
LSE means load serving entity.

**Lump Sum Blackstart Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Lump Sum Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Lump Sum Blackstart CIP Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Manual Response Rate** is the rate, in MW/Minute, at which the output of a Generator Asset is capable of changing.

**Marginal Loss Revenue Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(v) of Market Rule 1.

**Marginal Reliability Impact** is the change, with respect to an increment of capacity supply, in expected unserved energy due to resource deficiency, as measured in hours per year.

**Market Credit Limit** is a credit limit for a Market Participant’s Financial Assurance Obligations (except FTR Financial Assurance Requirements) established for each Market Participant in accordance with Section II.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Market Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(a) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade** is defined as those additions and upgrades that are not related to the interconnection of a generator, and, in the ISO’s determination, are designed to reduce bulk power system costs to load system-wide, where the net present value of the reduction in bulk power system costs to load system-wide exceeds the net present value of the cost of the transmission addition or upgrade. For purposes of this definition, the term “bulk power system costs to load system-wide” includes, but is not limited to, the costs of energy, capacity, reserves, losses and impacts on bilateral prices for electricity.
**Market Participant** is a participant in the New England Markets (including a FTR-Only Customer) that has executed a Market Participant Service Agreement, or on whose behalf an unexecuted Market Participant Service Agreement has been filed with the Commission.


**Market Participant Obligations** is defined in Section III.B.1.1 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Market Participant Service Agreement (MPSA)** is an agreement between the ISO and a Market Participant, in the form specified in Attachment A or Attachment A-1 to the Tariff, as applicable.

**Market Rule 1** is ISO Market Rule 1 and appendices set forth in Section III of this ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, as it may be amended from time to time.

**Market Violation** is a tariff violation, violation of a Commission-approved order, rule or regulation, market manipulation, or inappropriate dispatch that creates substantial concerns regarding unnecessary market inefficiencies.

**Material Adverse Change** is any change in financial status including, but not limited to a downgrade to below an Investment Grade Rating by any Rating Agency, being placed on credit watch with negative implication by any Rating Agency if the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer does not have an Investment Grade Rating, a bankruptcy filing or other insolvency, a report of a significant quarterly loss or decline of earnings, the resignation of key officer(s), the sanctioning of the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer or any of its Principles imposed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Securities Exchange Commission, any exchange monitored by the National Futures Association, or any state entity responsible for regulating activity in energy markets; the filing of a material lawsuit that could materially adversely impact current or future financial results; a significant change in the Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s credit default spreads; or a significant change in market capitalization.

**Material Adverse Impact** is defined, for purposes of review of ITC-proposed plans, as a proposed facility or project will be deemed to cause a “material adverse impact” on facilities outside of the ITC System if: (i) the proposed facility or project causes non-ITC facilities to exceed their capabilities or
exceed their thermal, voltage or stability limits, consistent with all applicable reliability criteria, or (ii) the proposed facility or project would not satisfy the standards set forth in Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. This standard is intended to assure the continued service of all non-ITC firm load customers and the ability of the non-ITC systems to meet outstanding transmission service obligations.

**Maximum Capacity Limit** is a value calculated as described in Section III.12.2.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Maximum Consumption Limit** is the maximum amount, in MW, available from the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand for economic dispatch and is based on the physical characteristics as submitted as part of a Resource’s Offer Data.

**Maximum Daily Consumption Limit** is the maximum amount of megawatt-hours that a DARD Pump is expected to be able to consume in the next Operating Day.

**Maximum Facility Load** is the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand or, if unavailable, an estimate of the annual non-coincident peak demand of a Real-Time Demand Response Asset or a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset, where the demand evaluated is established by adding actual metered demand and the output of all generators located behind the asset’s end-use customer meter in the same time intervals.

**Maximum Generation** is the maximum generation output of a Real-Time Demand Response Asset comprised of Distributed Generation or the maximum generation output of a Demand Response Asset comprised of Distributed Generation.

**Maximum Interruptible Capacity** is an estimate of the maximum hourly demand reduction amount that a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or a Demand Response Asset can deliver. For assets that deliver demand reduction, the Maximum Interruptible Capacity is the asset’s peak load less its uninterruptible load. For assets that deliver reductions through the use of generation, the Maximum Interruptible Capacity is the difference between the generator’s maximum possible output and its expected output when not providing demand reduction. For assets that deliver demand reduction and Net Supply, the Maximum Interruptible Capacity is the asset’s peak load plus Maximum Net Supply as measured at the Retail Delivery Point.
**Maximum Load** is the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand or, if unavailable, an estimate of the annual non-coincident peak demand, of a Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Demand Response Asset or Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset.

**Maximum Net Supply** is an estimate of the maximum hourly Net Supply for a Demand Response Asset as measured from the Demand Response Asset’s Retail Delivery Point.

**Maximum Number of Daily Starts** is the maximum number of times that a DARD Pump or a generating Resource can be started in the next Operating Day under normal operating conditions.

**Maximum Reduction** is the maximum available demand reduction, in MW, of a Demand Response Resource that a Market Participant offers to deliver in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the Demand Response Resource’s Demand Reduction Offer.

**Measure Life** is the estimated time a Demand Resource measure will remain in place, or the estimated time period over which the facility, structure, equipment or system in which a measure is installed continues to exist, whichever is shorter. Suppliers of Demand Resources comprised of an aggregation of measures with varied Measures Lives shall determine and document the Measure Life either: (i) for each type of measure with a different Measure Life and adjust the aggregate performance based on the individual measure life calculation in the portfolio; or (ii) as the average Measure Life for the aggregated measures as long as the Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource is greater than or equal to the amount that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction or reconfiguration auction for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, and the Demand Reduction Value for an Existing Demand Resource is not overstated in a subsequent Capacity Commitment Period. Measure Life shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Measurement and Verification Documents** mean the measurement and verification documents described in Section 13.1.4.3.1 of Market Rule 1, which includes Measurement and Verification Plans, Updated Measurement and Verification Plans, Measurement and Verification Summary Reports, and Measurement and Verification Reference Reports.
**Measurement and Verification Plan** means the measurement and verification plan submitted by a Demand Resource supplier as part of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to the requirements of Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Measurement and Verification Reference Reports** are optional reports submitted by Demand Resource suppliers during the Capacity Commitment Period subject to the schedule in the Measurement and Verification Plan and consistent with the schedule and reporting standards set forth in the ISO New England Manuals. Measurement and Verification Reference Reports update the prospective Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project based on measurement and verification studies performed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

**Measurement and Verification Summary Report** is the monthly report submitted by a Demand Resource supplier with the monthly settlement report for the Forward Capacity Market, which documents the total Demand Reduction Values for all Demand Resources in operation as of the end of the previous month.

**MEPCO Grandfathered Transmission Service Agreement (MGTSA)** is a MEPCO long-term firm point-to-point transmission service agreement with a POR or POD at the New Brunswick border and a start date prior to June 1, 2007 where the holder has elected, by written notice delivered to MEPCO within five (5) days following the filing of the settlement agreement in Docket Nos. ER07-1289 and EL08-56 or by September 1, 2008 (whichever is later), MGTSA treatment as further described in Section II.45.1.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities (MTF)** are the transmission facilities owned by MTOs, defined and classified as MTF pursuant to Schedule 18 of the OATT, over which the ISO shall exercise Operating Authority in accordance with the terms set forth in a MTOA or Attachment K to the OATT, rated 69 kV or above and required to allow energy from significant power sources to move freely on the New England Transmission System.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities Provider (MTF Provider)** is an entity as defined in Schedule 18 of the OATT.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities Service (MTF Service)** is transmission service over MTF as provided for in Schedule 18 of the OATT.
Merchant Transmission Operating Agreement (MTOA) is an agreement between the ISO and an MTO with respect to its MTF.

Merchant Transmission Owner (MTO) is an owner of MTF.

Meter Data Error means an error in meter data, including an error in Coincident Peak Contribution values, on an Invoice issued by the ISO after the completion of the data reconciliation process as described in the ISO New England Manuals and in Section III.3.8 of Market Rule 1.

Meter Data Error RBA Submission Limit means the date thirty 30 calendar days after the issuance of the Invoice containing the results of the data reconciliation process as described in the ISO New England Manuals and in Section III.3.6 of Market Rule 1.

Metered Quantity For Settlement is defined in Section III.3.2.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

Minimum Consumption Limit is the minimum amount, in MW, available from a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that is not available for economic dispatch and is based on the physical characteristics as submitted as part of a Resource’s Offer Data.

Minimum Down Time is the number of hours that must elapse after a Generator Asset or DARD Pump has been released for shutdown at or below its Economic Minimum Limit or Minimum Consumption Limit before the Generator Asset or DARD Pump can be brought online and be released for dispatch at its Economic Minimum Limit or Minimum Consumption Limit.

Minimum Generation Emergency means an Emergency declared by the ISO in which the ISO anticipates requesting one or more generating Resources to operate at or below Economic Minimum Limit, in order to manage, alleviate, or end the Emergency.

Minimum Generation Emergency Credits are those Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credits calculated pursuant to Appendix F of Market Rule 1 for resources within a reliability region that are dispatched during a period for which a Minimum Generation Emergency has been declared.
Minimum Reduction is the minimum available demand reduction, in MW, of a Demand Response Resource that a Market Participant offers to deliver in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the Demand Response Resource’s Demand Reduction Offer.

Minimum Reduction Time is the minimum number of hours of demand reduction at or above the Minimum Reduction for which the ISO must dispatch a Demand Response Resource to reduce demand.

Minimum Run Time is the number of hours that a Generator Asset must remain online after it has been scheduled to reach its Economic Minimum Limit before it can be released for shutdown from its Economic Minimum Limit or the number of hours that must elapse after a DARD Pump has been scheduled to consume at its Minimum Consumption Limit before it can be released for shutdown.

Minimum Time Between Reductions is the minimum number of hours that a Market Participant requires between the time the Demand Response Resource receives a Dispatch Instruction from the ISO to not reduce demand and the time the Demand Response Resource receives a Dispatch Instruction from the ISO to reduce demand.

Monthly Blackstart Service Charge is the charge made to Transmission Customers pursuant to Section 6 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

Monthly Capacity Variance means a Demand Resource’s actual monthly Capacity Value established pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.1 of Market Rule 1, minus the Demand Resource’s final Capacity Supply Obligation for the month.

Monthly Peak is defined in Section II.21.2 of the OATT.

Monthly PER is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.1.2(a) of Market Rule 1.

Monthly Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation is the absolute value of a Customer’s hourly Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation summed for all hours in a month, in MWhs.

Monthly Real-Time Generation Obligation is the sum, for all hours in a month, at all Locations, of a Customer’s Real-Time Generation Obligation, in MWhs.
**Monthly Real-Time Load Obligation** is the absolute value of a Customer’s hourly Real-Time Load Obligation summed for all hours in a month, in MWhs.

**Monthly Regional Network Load** is defined in Section II.21.2 of the OATT.

**Monthly Statement** is the first weekly Statement issued on a Monday after the tenth of a calendar month that includes both the Hourly Charges for the relevant billing period and Non-Hourly Charges for the immediately preceding calendar month.

**MRI Transition Period** is the period specified in Section III.13.2.2.1.

**MUI** is the market user interface.

**Municipal Market Participant** is defined in Section II of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**MW** is megawatt.

**MWh** is megawatt-hour.

**Native Load Customers** are the wholesale and retail power customers of a Transmission Owner on whose behalf the Transmission Owner, by statute, franchise, regulatory requirement, or contract, has undertaken an obligation to construct and operate its system to meet the reliable electric needs of such customers.

**NCPC Charge** means the charges to Market Participants calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**NCPC Credit** means the credits to Market Participants calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Needs Assessment** is defined in Section 4.1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**NEMA**, for purposes of Section III of the Tariff, is the Northeast Massachusetts Reliability Region.
**NEMA Contract** is a contract described in Appendix C of Market Rule 1 and listed in Exhibit 1 of Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**NEMA Load Serving Entity (NEMA LSE)** is a Transmission Customer or Congestion Paying LSE Entity that serves load within NEMA.

**NEMA or Northeast Massachusetts Upgrade**, for purposes of Section II of the Tariff, is an addition to or modification of the PTF into or within the Northeast Massachusetts Reliability Region that was not, as of December 31, 1999, the subject of a System Impact Study or application filed pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff; that is not related to generation interconnections; and that will be completed and placed in service by June 30, 2004. Such upgrades include, but are not limited to, new transmission facilities and related equipment and/or modifications to existing transmission facilities and related equipment. The list of NEMA Upgrades is contained in Schedule 12A of the OATT.

**NEPOOL** is the New England Power Pool, and the entities that collectively participated in the New England Power Pool.

**NEPOOL Agreement** is the agreement among the participants in NEPOOL.

**NEPOOL GIS** is the generation information system.

**NEPOOL GIS Administrator** is the entity or entities that develop, administer, operate and maintain the NEPOOL GIS.

**NEPOOL GIS API Fees** are the one-time on-boarding fees and annual maintenance fees charged to NEPOOL by the NEPOOL GIS Administrator for each NEPOOL Participant or Market Participant that accesses the NEPOOL GIS through an application programming interface pursuant to Rule 3.9(b) of the operating rules of the NEPOOL GIS.

**NEPOOL Participant** is a party to the NEPOOL Agreement.

**NERC** is the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.
**NESCOE** is the New England States Committee on Electricity, recognized by the Commission as the regional state committee for the New England Control Area.

**Net Commitment Period Compensation (NCPC)** is the compensation methodology for Resources that is described in Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Net CONE** is an estimate of the Cost of New Entry, net of the first-year non-capacity market revenues, for a reference technology resource type and is intended to equal the amount of capacity revenue the reference technology resource would require, in its first year of operation, to be economically viable given reasonable expectations of the first year energy and ancillary services revenues, and projected revenue for subsequent years.

**Net Regional Clearing Price** is described in Section III.13.7.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Net Supply** is energy injected at the Retail Delivery Point by a Demand Response Asset with Distributed Generation.

**Net Supply Limit** is the estimated portion of the offered Maximum Reduction of a Demand Response Resource that would be provided through Net Supply. The Net Supply Limit is calculated by multiplying the offered Maximum Reduction of the Demand Response Resource by the ratio of total Net Supply to total demand reduction performance from the prior like Seasonal DR Audit of the Demand Response Assets that are mapped to the Demand Response Resource for the month.

**Network Capability Interconnection Standard** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Network Customer** is a Transmission Customer receiving RNS or LNS.

**Network Import Capability (NI Capability)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Network Import Interconnection Service (NI Interconnection Service)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.
**Network Resource** is defined as follows: (1) With respect to Market Participants, (a) any generating resource located in the New England Control Area which has been placed in service prior to the Compliance Effective Date (including a unit that has lost its capacity value when its capacity value is restored and a deactivated unit which may be reactivated without satisfying the requirements of Section II.46 of the OATT in accordance with the provisions thereof) until retired; (b) any generating resource located in the New England Control Area which is placed in service after the Compliance Effective Date until retired, provided that (i) the Generator Owner has complied with the requirements of Sections II.46 and II.47 and Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT, and (ii) the output of the unit shall be limited in accordance with Sections II.46 and II.47 and Schedules 22 and 23, if required; and (c) any generating resource or combination of resources (including bilateral purchases) located outside the New England Control Area for so long as any Market Participant has an Ownership Share in the resource or resources which is being delivered to it in the New England Control Area to serve Regional Network Load located in the New England Control Area or other designated Regional Network Loads contemplated by Section II.18.3 of the OATT taking Regional Network Service. (2) With respect to Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers, any generating resource owned, purchased or leased by the Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer which it designates to serve Regional Network Load.

**New Brunswick Security Energy** is defined in Section III.3.2.6A of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Offer** is an offer in the Forward Capacity Auction to provide capacity from a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource.

**New Capacity Qualification Deadline** is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Qualification Package** is information submitted by certain new resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Resource** is a resource (i) that never previously received any payment as a capacity resource including any capacity payment pursuant to the market rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010 and that has not cleared in any previous Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) that is otherwise eligible to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Capacity Resource.
**New Capacity Show of Interest Form** is described in Section III.13.1.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window** is the period of time during which a Project Sponsor may submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or a New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form, as described in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.4.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Resource Qualification Package** is the information that a Project Sponsor must submit, in accordance with Section III 13.1.4.2.3 of Market Rule 1, for each resource that it seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource.

**New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form** is described in Section III.13.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Response Asset** is a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or Demand Response Asset that is registered with the ISO, has been mapped to a resource, is ready to respond, and has been included in the dispatch model of the remote terminal unit but does not have a winter audit value and a summer audit value.

**New Demand Response Asset Audit** is an audit of a New Demand Response Asset performed pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.8.

**New England Control Area** is the Control Area for New England, which includes PTF, Non-PTF, MTF and OTF. The New England Control Area covers Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, and part of Maine (i.e., excluding the portions of Northern Maine and the northern portion of Eastern Maine which are in the Maritimes Control Area).

**New England Markets** are markets or programs for the purchase of energy, capacity, ancillary services, demand response services or other related products or services (including Financial Transmission Rights) that are delivered through or useful to the operation of the New England Transmission System and that are administered by the ISO pursuant to rules, rates, or agreements on file from time to time with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
**New England System Restoration Plan** is the plan that is developed by ISO, in accordance with NERC Reliability Standards, NPCC regional criteria and standards, ISO New England Operating Documents and ISO operating agreements, to facilitate the restoration of the New England Transmission System following a partial or complete shutdown of the New England Transmission System.

**New England Transmission System** is the system of transmission facilities, including PTF, Non-PTF, OTF and MTF, within the New England Control Area under the ISO’s operational jurisdiction.

**New Generating Capacity Resource** is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in Section III.13.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Import Capacity Resource** is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.3.4 of Market Rule 1.

**New Resource Offer Floor Price** is defined in Section III.A.21.2.

NMPTC means Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer.

**NMPTC Credit Threshold** is described in Section V.A.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**NMPTC Financial Assurance Requirement** is an amount of additional financial assurance for Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers described in Section V.D of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Nodal Amount** is node(s)-specific on-peak and off-peak proxy value to which an FTR bid or awarded FTR bid relates.

**Node** is a point on the New England Transmission System at which LMPs are calculated.

**No-Load Fee** is the amount, in dollars per hour, for a generating unit that must be paid to Market Participants with an Ownership Share in the unit for being scheduled in the New England Markets, in
addition to the Start-Up Fee and price offered to supply energy, for each hour that the generating unit is scheduled in the New England Markets.

**Nominated Consumption Limit** is the consumption level specified by the Market Participant for a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand as adjusted in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.7.3.1.3.

**Non-Commercial Capacity** is the capacity of a New Capacity Resource or an increment of an Existing Capacity Resource that is treated as a New Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction and that has not been declared commercial and has not had its capacity rating verified by the ISO.

**Non-Commercial Capacity Cure Period** is the time period described in Section VII.D of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Non-Commercial Capacity Financial Assurance Amount (Non-Commercial Capacity FA Amount)** is the financial assurance amount held on Non-Commercial Capacity cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction as calculated in accordance with Section VII.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Non-Designated Blackstart Resource Study Cost Payments** are the study costs reimbursed under Section 5.3 of Schedule 16 of the OATT.

**Non-Dispatchable Resource** is any Resource that does not meet the requirements to be a Dispatchable Resource.

**Non-Hourly Charges** are defined in Section 1.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Non-Hourly Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(ii) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, which is Exhibit 1A of Section I of the Tariff.

**Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer** is a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor that: (i) is not currently a PTO; (ii) has a transmission project listed in the RSP Project List; and (iii) has executed a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement. “Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer” also includes a PTO that proposes the development of a transmission facility not located
within or connected to its existing electric system; however, because such a PTO is a party to the TOA, it is not required to enter into a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement.

**Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement (or NTDOA)** is an agreement between the ISO and a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer in the form specified in Attachment O to the OATT that sets forth their respective rights and responsibilities to each other with regard to proposals for and construction of certain transmission facilities.

**Non-Intermittent Settlement Only Resource** is a Settlement Only Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource.

**Non-Market Participant** is any entity that is not a Market Participant.

**Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer** is any entity which is not a Market Participant but is a Transmission Customer.

**Non-Municipal Market Participant** is defined in Section II of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Non-PTF Transmission Facilities (Non-PTF)** are the transmission facilities owned by the PTOs that do not constitute PTF, OTF or MTF.

**Non-Qualifying** means a Market Participant that is not a Credit Qualifying Market Participant.

**Notice of RBA** is defined in Section 6.3.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Notification Time** is the time required for a Generator Asset to synchronize to the system from the time a startup Dispatch Instruction is received from the ISO.


**NPCC** is the Northeast Power Coordinating Council.
**Obligation Month** means a time period of one calendar month for which capacity payments are issued and the costs associated with capacity payments are allocated.

**Offer Data** means the scheduling, operations planning, dispatch, new Resource, and other data, including generating unit and Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, and for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Response Resource operating limits based on physical characteristics, and information necessary to schedule and dispatch generating and Dispatchable Asset Related Demand Resources, and for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Response Resources for the provision of energy and other services and the maintenance of the reliability and security of the transmission system in the New England Control Area, and specified for submission to the New England Markets for such purposes by the ISO.

**Offered CLAIM10** is, for a generating Resource, a Supply Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM10 of the Resource that represents the amount of TMNSR available from the Resource from an off-line state, and, for a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand or Demand Response Resource that has not been dispatched, is a Demand Bid or Demand Reduction Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM10 of the Resource that represents the amount of TMNSR or TMSR available from the Resource.

**Offered CLAIM30** is a Supply Offer, Demand Bid or Demand Reduction Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM30 of a Resource that represents the amount of TMOR available from an off-line generating Resource, or Dispatchable Asset Related Demand or Demand Response Resource that has not been dispatched.

**Offered Full Reduction Time** is the value calculated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.6.

**On-Peak Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource and means installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy consumed during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and Distributed Generation.
Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS) is the ISO information system and standards of conduct responding to requirements of 18 C.F.R. §37 of the Commission’s regulations and all additional requirements implemented by subsequent Commission orders dealing with OASIS.

Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) is Section II of the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

Operating Authority is defined pursuant to a MTOA, an OTOA, the TOA or the OATT, as applicable.

Operating Data means GADS Data, data equivalent to GADS Data, CARL Data, metered load data, or actual system failure occurrences data, all as described in the ISO New England Operating Procedures.

Operating Day means the calendar day period beginning at midnight for which transactions on the New England Markets are scheduled.

Operating Reserve means Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve (TMSR), Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR) and Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR).

Operations Date is February 1, 2005.

OTF Service is transmission service over OTF as provided for in Schedule 20.

Other Transmission Facility (OTF) are the transmission facilities owned by Transmission Owners, defined and classified as OTF pursuant to Schedule 20, over which the ISO shall exercise Operating Authority in accordance with the terms set forth in the OTOA, rated 69 kV or above, and required to allow energy from significant power sources to move freely on the New England Transmission System. OTF classification shall be limited to the Phase I/II HVDC-TF.

Other Transmission Operating Agreements (OTOA) is the agreement(s) between the ISO, an OTO and/or the associated service provider(s) with respect to an OTF, which includes the HVDC Transmission Operating Agreement and the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transmission Service Administration Agreement. With respect to the Phase I/II HVDC-TF, the HVDC Transmission Operating Agreement covers the rights and responsibilities for the operation of the facility and the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transmission Service
Administration Agreement covers the rights and responsibilities for the administration of transmission service.

**Other Transmission Owner (OTO)** is an owner of OTF.

**Ownership Share** is a right or obligation, for purposes of settlement, to a percentage share of all credits or charges associated with a generating unit asset or Load Asset, where such unit or load is interconnected to the New England Transmission System.

**Participant Expenses** are defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Participant Required Balance** is defined in Section 5.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Participant Vote** is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Participants Agreement** is the agreement among the ISO, the New England Power Pool and Individual Participants, as amended from time to time, on file with the Commission.

**Participants Committee** is the principal committee referred to in the Participants Agreement.

**Participating Transmission Owner (PTO)** is a transmission owner that is a party to the TOA.

**Payment** is a sum of money due to a Covered Entity from the ISO.

**Payment Default Shortfall Fund** is defined in Section 5.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Peak Energy Rent (PER)** is described in Section III.13.7.2.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**PER Proxy Unit** is described in Section III.13.7.2.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Percent of Total Demand Reduction Value Complete** means the delivery schedule as a percentage of a Demand Resource’s total Demand Reduction Value that will be or has been achieved as of specific target dates, as described in Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.
**Permanent De-list Bid** is a bid that may be submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction to permanently remove itself from the capacity market, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Phase I Transfer Credit** is 40% of the HQICC, or such other fraction of the HQICC as the ISO may establish.

**Phase I/II HVDC-TF** is defined in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability** is the transfer capacity of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF under normal operating conditions, as determined in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The “Phase I Transfer Capability” is the transfer capacity under normal operating conditions, as determined in accordance with Good Utility Practice, of the Phase I terminal facilities as determined initially as of the time immediately prior to Phase II of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF first being placed in service, and as adjusted thereafter only to take into account changes in the transfer capacity which are independent of any effect of Phase II on the operation of Phase I. The “Phase II Transfer Capability” is the difference between the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability and the Phase I Transfer Capability. Determinations of, and any adjustment in, Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability shall be made by the ISO, and the basis for any such adjustment shall be explained in writing and posted on the ISO website.

**Phase One Proposal** is a first round submission, as defined in Section 4.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade, as applicable, by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

**Phase II Transfer Credit** is 60% of the HQICC, or such other fraction of the HQICC as the ISO may establish.

**Phase Two Solution** is a second round submission, as defined in Section 4.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

**Planning Advisory Committee** is the committee described in Attachment K of the OATT.
Planning and Reliability Criteria is defined in Section 3.3 of Attachment K to the OATT.

Planning Authority is an entity defined as such by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

Point(s) of Delivery (POD) is point(s) of interconnection where capacity and/or energy transmitted by a Transmission Customer will be made available to the Receiving Party under the OATT.

Point of Interconnection shall have the same meaning as that used for purposes of Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of the OATT.

Point(s) of Receipt (POR) is point(s) of interconnection where capacity and/or energy transmitted by a Transmission Customer will be made available by the Delivering Party under the OATT.

Point-To-Point Service is the transmission of capacity and/or energy on either a firm or non-firm basis from the Point(s) of Receipt to the Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT pursuant to Local Point-To-Point Service or OTF Service or MTF Service; and the transmission of capacity and/or energy from the Point(s) of Receipt to the Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT pursuant to Through or Out Service.

Pool-Planned Unit is one of the following units: New Haven Harbor Unit 1 (Coke Works), Mystic Unit 7, Canal Unit 2, Potter Unit 2, Wyman Unit 4, Stony Brook Units 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A and 2B, Millstone Unit 3, Seabrook Unit 1 and Waters River Unit 2 (to the extent of 7 megawatts of its Summer capability and 12 megawatts of its Winter capability).

Pool PTF Rate is the transmission rate determined in accordance with Schedule 8 to the OATT.

Pool RNS Rate is the transmission rate determined in accordance with paragraph (2) of Schedule 9 of Section II of the Tariff.

Pool-Scheduled Resources are described in Section III.1.10.2 of Market Rule 1.

Pool Supported PTF is defined as: (i) PTF first placed in service prior to January 1, 2000; (ii) Generator Interconnection Related Upgrades with respect to Category A and B projects (as defined in Schedule 11), but only to the extent not paid for by the interconnecting Generator Owner; and (iii) other PTF upgrades,
but only to the extent the costs therefore are determined to be Pool Supported PTF in accordance with Schedule 12.

**Pool Transmission Facility (PTF)** means the transmission facilities owned by PTOs which meet the criteria specified in Section II.49 of the OATT.

**Poorly Performing Resource** is described in Section III.13.7.1.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Posting Entity** is any Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer providing financial security under the provisions of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Posture** means an action of the ISO to deviate from the jointly optimized security constrained economic dispatch for Energy and Operating Reserves solution for a Resource produced by the ISO’s technical software for the purpose of maintaining sufficient Operating Reserve (both online and off-line) or for the provision of voltage or VAR support.

**Posturing Credits** are the Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credits for Generators (Other Than Limited Energy Resources) Postured for Reliability and the Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Limited Energy Resources Postured for Reliability.

**Power Purchaser** is the entity that is purchasing the capacity and/or energy to be transmitted under the OATT.

**Principal** is (i) the sole proprietor of a sole proprietorship; (ii) a general partner of a partnership; (iii) a president, chief executive officer, chief operating officer or chief financial officer (or equivalent position) of an organization; (iv) a manager, managing member or a member vested with the management authority for a limited liability company or limited liability partnership; (v) any person or entity that has the power to exercise a controlling influence over an organization’s activities that are subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, any exchange monitored by the National Futures Association, or any state entity responsible for regulating activity in energy markets; or (vi) any person or entity that: (a) is the direct owner of 10% or more of any class of an organization’s equity securities; or (b) has directly contributed 10% or more of an organization’s capital.
**Profiled Load Assets** include all Load Assets that are not directly metered by OP-18 compliant metering as currently described in Section IV (Metering and Recording for Settlements) of OP18, and some Load Assets that are measured by OP-18 compliant metering (as currently described in Section IV of OP-18) to which the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader allocates non-PTF losses.

**Project Sponsor** is an entity seeking to have a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource participate in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in Section III.13.

**Proxy De-List Bid** is a type of bid used in the Forward Capacity Market.

**Provisional Member** is defined in Section I.68A of the Restated NEPOOL Agreement.

**PTO Administrative Committee** is the committee referred to in Section 11.04 of the TOA.

**Public Policy Requirement** is a requirement reflected in a statute enacted by, or a regulation promulgated by, the federal government or a state or local (e.g., municipal or county) government.

**Public Policy Transmission Study** is a study conducted by the ISO pursuant to the process set out in Section 4A.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, and consists of two phases: (i) an initial phase to produce a rough estimate of the costs and benefits of concepts that could meet transmission needs driven by public policy requirements; and (ii) a follow-on phase designed to produce more detailed analysis and engineering work on transmission concepts identified in the first phase.

**Public Policy Local Transmission Study** is a study conducted by a PTO pursuant to the process set out in Section 1.6 of Attachment K Appendix 1 of the OATT, and consists of two phases: (i) an initial phase to produce an estimate of the costs and benefits of concepts that could meet transmission needs driven by public policy requirements; and (ii) a follow-on phase designed to produce more detailed analysis and engineering work on transmission concepts identified in the first phase.

**Public Policy Transmission Upgrade** is an addition and/or upgrade to the New England Transmission System that meets the voltage and non-voltage criteria for Public Policy Transmission Upgrade PTF classification specified in the OATT, and has been included in the Regional System Plan and RSP Project
List as a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade pursuant to the procedures described in Section 4A of Attachment K of the OATT.

Publicly Owned Entity is defined in Section I of the Restated NEPOOL Agreement.

Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit is described in Section III.13.1.9.3 of Market Rule 1.

Qualified Capacity is the amount of capacity a resource may provide in the summer or winter in a Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in the Forward Capacity Market qualification processes.

Qualified Generator Reactive Resource(s) is any generator source of dynamic reactive power that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

Qualified Non-Generator Reactive Resource(s) is any non-generator source of dynamic reactive power that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

Qualified Reactive Resource(s) is any Qualified Generator Reactive Resource and/or Qualified Non-Generator Reactive Resource that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor is defined in Sections 4B.2 and 4B.3 of Attachment K of the OATT.

Queue Position has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Rapid Response Pricing Asset is a Fast Start Generator, a Flexible DNE Dispatchable Generator, or a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand for which the Market Participant’s Offer Data meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; and (ii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes.

Rapid Response Pricing Opportunity Cost is the NCPC Credit described in Section III.F.2.3.10.
Rated means a Market Participant that receives a credit rating from one or more of the Rating Agencies, or, if such Market Participant is not rated by one of the Rating Agencies, then a Market Participant that has outstanding unsecured debt rated by one or more of the Rating Agencies.

Rating Agencies are Standard and Poor’s (S&P), Moody’s, and Fitch.

RBA Decision is a written decision provided by the ISO to a Disputing Party and to the Chair of the NEPOOL Budget and Finance Subcommittee accepting or denying a Requested Billing Adjustment within twenty Business Days of the date the ISO distributes a Notice of RBA, unless some later date is agreed upon by the Disputing Party and the ISO.

Reactive Supply and Voltage Control Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

Real-Time is a period in the current Operating Day for which the ISO dispatches Resources for energy and Regulation, designates Resources for Regulation and Operating Reserve and, if necessary, commits additional Resources.

Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation Deviation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Commitment NCPC Credit is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Congestion Revenue is defined in Section III.3.2.1(f) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation is a Real-Time demand reduction amount determined pursuant to Section III.E1.8 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing prior to June 1, 2018, and Section III.E2.7 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours means those hours, or portions thereof, in which ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 4 is implemented and the ISO has begun to allow the depletion of
Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve on a Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide basis, and the ISO notifies the Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Resources of such hours.

**Real-Time Demand Response Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that are located at a single Node, report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned a unique asset identification number by the ISO, and that participate in the Forward Capacity Market as part of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Demand Response Resource.

**Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours** means hours when the ISO dispatches Real-Time Demand Response Resources in response to Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours, which may include Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide dispatch of such resources.

**Real-Time Demand Response Resource** is a type of Demand Resource that is comprised of installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that: (i) curtail electrical usage in response to a Dispatch Instruction; and (ii) continue curtailing electrical usage until receiving Dispatch Instructions to restore electrical usage. Such measures include Load Management and Distributed Generation. The period of curtailment shall be consistent with Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours.

**Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that are located at a single Node, report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned a unique asset identification number by the ISO, and that participate in the Forward Capacity Market as part of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource.

**Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours** means those hours, or portions thereof, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, non-Demand Response Holidays in which the ISO dispatches Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources on a Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide basis when deficient in Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve and when the ISO implements voltage reductions of five percent of normal operating voltage that require more than 10 minutes to implement.
**Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource** is Distributed Generation whose federal, state and/or local air quality permits, rules or regulations limit operation in response to requests from the ISO to the times when the ISO implements voltage reductions of five percent of normal operating voltage that require more than 10 minutes to implement. A Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource must be capable of: (i) curtailing its end-use electric consumption from the New England grid within 30 minutes of receiving a Dispatch Instruction; and (ii) continuing that curtailment until receiving a Dispatch Instruction to restore consumption.

**Real-Time Energy Market** means the purchase or sale of energy, purchase of demand reductions pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1, payment of Congestion Costs, and payment for losses for quantity deviations from the Day-Ahead Energy Market in the Operating Day and designation of and payment for provision of Operating Reserve in Real-Time.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Congestion Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Energy Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Loss Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market NCPC Credits** are the Real-Time Commitment NCPC Credit and the Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credit.

**Real-Time External Transaction NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Generation Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Generation Obligation Deviation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time High Operating Limit** is the maximum output, in MW, of a resource that could be achieved, consistent with Good Utility Practice, in response to an ISO request for Energy under Section III.13.6.4 of
Market Rule 1, for each hour of the Operating Day, as reflected in the resource’s Offer Data. This value is based on real-time operating conditions and the physical operating characteristics and operating permits of the unit.

Real-Time Load Obligation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(i) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Load Obligation Deviation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(i) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange Deviation is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Loss Revenue is defined in Section III.3.2.1(i) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Loss Revenue Charges or Credits are defined in Section III.3.2.1(m) of Market Rule 1.

Real-Time NCP Load Obligation is the maximum hourly value, during a month, of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Load Obligation summed over all Locations, excluding exports, in kilowatts.

Real-Time Price Response Program is the program described in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Offer Change is a modification to a Supply Offer pursuant to Section III.1.10.9(b).

Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Generators (Other Than Limited Energy Resources) Postured for Reliability is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Limited Energy Resources Postured for Reliability is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

Real-Time Prices means the Locational Marginal Prices resulting from the ISO’s dispatch of the New England Markets in the Operating Day.
**Real-Time Reserve Charge** is a Market Participant’s share of applicable system and Reserve Zone Real-Time Operating Reserve costs attributable to meeting the Real-Time Operating Reserve requirement as calculated in accordance with Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Clearing Price** is the Real-Time TMSR, TMNSR or TMOR clearing price, as applicable, for the system and each Reserve Zone that is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.7A of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Credit** is a Market Participant’s compensation associated with that Market Participant’s Resources’ Real-Time Reserve Designation as calculated in accordance with Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Designation** is the amount, in MW, of Operating Reserve designated to a Resource in Real-Time by the ISO as adjusted after-the-fact utilizing revenue quality meter data as described under Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Opportunity Cost** is defined in Section III.2.7A(b) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Synchronous Condensing NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time System Adjusted Net Interchange** means, for each hour, the sum of Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange for a Market Participant over all Locations, in kilowatts.

**Receiving Party** is the entity receiving the capacity and/or energy transmitted to Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT.

**Reference Level** is defined in Section III.A.5.7 of Appendix A of Market Rule 1.

**Regional Benefit Upgrade(s) (RBU)** means a Transmission Upgrade that: (i) is rated 115kV or above; (ii) meets all of the non-voltage criteria for PTF classification specified in the OATT; and (iii) is included in the Regional System Plan as either a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or an Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade identified as needed pursuant to Attachment K of the OATT. The category of RBU shall not include any Transmission Upgrade that has been categorized under any of the
other categories specified in Schedule 12 of the OATT (e.g., an Elective Transmission Upgrade shall not also be categorized as an RBU). Any upgrades to transmission facilities rated below 115kV that were PTF prior to January 1, 2004 shall remain classified as PTF and be categorized as an RBU if, and for so long as, such upgrades meet the criteria for PTF specified in the OATT.

**Regional Network Load** is the load that a Network Customer designates for Regional Network Service under Part II.B of the OATT. The Network Customer’s Regional Network Load shall include all load designated by the Network Customer (including losses) and shall not be credited or reduced for any behind-the-meter generation. A Network Customer may elect to designate less than its total load as Regional Network Load but may not designate only part of the load at a discrete Point of Delivery. Where a Transmission Customer has elected not to designate a particular load at discrete Points of Delivery as Regional Network Load, the Transmission Customer is responsible for making separate arrangements under Part II.C of the OATT for any Point-To-Point Service that may be necessary for such non-designated load.

**Regional Network Service (RNS)** is the transmission service over the PTF described in Part II.B of the OATT, including such service which is used with respect to Network Resources or Regional Network Load that is not physically interconnected with the PTF.

**Regional Planning Dispute Resolution Process** is described in Section 12 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Regional System Plan (RSP)** is the plan developed under the process specified in Attachment K of the OATT.

**Regional Transmission Service (RTS)** is Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service as provided over the PTF in accordance with Section II.B, Section II.C, Schedule 8 and Schedule 9 of the OATT.

**Regulation** is the capability of a specific Resource with appropriate telecommunications, control and response capability to respond to an AGC SetPoint.
**Regulation and Frequency Response Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 3 of the OATT. The capability of performing Regulation and Frequency Response Service is referred to as automatic generation control (AGC).

**Regulation Capacity** is the lesser of five times the Automatic Response Rate and one-half of the difference between the Regulation High Limit and the Regulation Low Limit of a Resource capable of providing Regulation.

**Regulation Capacity Requirement** is the amount of Regulation Capacity required to maintain system control and reliability in the New England Control Area as calculated and posted on the ISO website.

**Regulation Capacity Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant to provide Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation High Limit** is an offer parameter that establishes the upper bound for AGC SetPoints and is used in the determination of a Resource’s Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation Low Limit** is an offer parameter that establishes the lower bound for AGC SetPoints and is used in the determination of a Resource’s Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation Market** is the market described in Section III.14 of Market Rule 1.

**Regulation Service** is the change in output or consumption made in response to changing AGC SetPoints.

**Regulation Service Requirement** is the estimated amount of Regulation Service required to maintain system control and reliability in the New England Control Area as calculated and posted on the ISO website.

**Regulation Service Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant to provide Regulation Service.

**Related Person** is defined pursuant to Section 1.1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Related Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1.
**Reliability Administration Service (RAS)** is the service provided by the ISO, as described in Schedule 3 of Section IV.A of the Tariff, in order to administer the Reliability Markets and provide other reliability-related and informational functions.

**Reliability Committee** is the committee whose responsibilities are specified in Section 8.2.3 of the Participants Agreement.

**Reliability Markets** are, collectively, the ISO’s administration of Regulation, the Forward Capacity Market, and Operating Reserve.

**Reliability Region** means any one of the regions identified on the ISO’s website. Reliability Regions are intended to reflect the operating characteristics of, and the major transmission constraints on, the New England Transmission System.

**Reliability Transmission Upgrade** means those additions and upgrades not required by the interconnection of a generator that are nonetheless necessary to ensure the continued reliability of the New England Transmission System, taking into account load growth and known resource changes, and include those upgrades necessary to provide acceptable stability response, short circuit capability and system voltage levels, and those facilities required to provide adequate thermal capability and local voltage levels that cannot otherwise be achieved with reasonable assumptions for certain amounts of generation being unavailable (due to maintenance or forced outages) for purposes of long-term planning studies. Good Utility Practice, applicable reliability principles, guidelines, criteria, rules, procedures and standards of ERO and NPCC and any of their successors, applicable publicly available local reliability criteria, and the ISO System Rules, as they may be amended from time to time, will be used to define the system facilities required to maintain reliability in evaluating proposed Reliability Transmission Upgrades. A Reliability Transmission Upgrade may provide market efficiency benefits as well as reliability benefits to the New England Transmission System.

**Remittance Advice** is an issuance from the ISO for the net Payment owed to a Covered Entity where a Covered Entity’s total Payments exceed its total Charges in a billing period.

**Remittance Advice Date** is the day on which the ISO issues a Remittance Advice.
Renewable Technology Resource is a Generating Capacity Resource or an On-Peak Demand Resource that satisfies the requirements specified in Section III.13.1.1.7.

Re-Offer Period is the period that normally occurs between the posting of the of the Day-Ahead Energy Market results and 2:00 p.m. on the day before the Operating Day during which a Market Participant may submit revised Supply Offers, revised External Transactions, or revised Demand Bids associated with Dispatchable Asset Related Demands or, for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, revised Demand Reduction Offers associated with Demand Response Resources.

Replacement Reserve is described in Part III, Section VII of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 8.

Request for Alternative Proposals (RFAP) is the request described in Attachment K of the OATT.

Requested Billing Adjustment (RBA) is defined in Section 6.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Required Balance is an amount as defined in Section 5.3 of the Billing Policy.

Reseller is a MGTSA holder that sells, assigns or transfers its rights under its MGTSA, as described in Section II.45.1(a) of the OATT.

Reserve Adequacy Analysis is the analysis performed by the ISO to determine if adequate Resources are committed to meet forecasted load, Operating Reserve, and security constraint requirements for the current and next Operating Day.

Reserve Constraint Penalty Factors (RCPFs) are rates, in $/MWh, that are used within the Real-Time dispatch and pricing algorithm to reflect the value of Operating Reserve shortages and are defined in Section III.2.7A(c) of Market Rule 1.

Reserve Zone is defined in Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

Reserved Capacity is the maximum amount of capacity and energy that is committed to the Transmission Customer for transmission over the New England Transmission System between the Point(s) of Receipt and the Point(s) of Delivery under Part II.C or Schedule 18, 20 or 21 of the OATT, as
applicable. Reserved Capacity shall be expressed in terms of whole kilowatts on a sixty-minute interval (commencing on the clock hour) basis, or, in the case of Reserved Capacity for Local Point-to-Point Service, in terms of whole megawatts on a sixty-minute interval basis.

**Resource** means a generating unit, a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, an External Resource or an External Transaction or, for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, a Demand Response Resource. For purposes of providing Regulation, Resource means a generating unit, a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, a Demand Response Regulation Resource or an Alternative Technology Regulation Resource.

**Restated New England Power Pool Agreement (RNA)** is the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement, which restated for a second time by an amendment dated as of August 16, 2004 the New England Power Pool Agreement dated September 1, 1971, as the same may be amended and restated from time to time, governing the relationship among the NEPOOL members.

**Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone** is a single Capacity Zone made up of the adjacent Load Zones that are neither export-constrained nor import-constrained.

**Rest of System** is an area established under Section III.2.7(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Retail Delivery Point** is the point on the transmission or distribution system at which the load of an end-use facility, which is metered and assigned a unique account number by the Host Participant, is measured to determine the amount of energy delivered to the facility from the transmission and distribution system. If an end-use facility is connected to the transmission or distribution system at more than one location, the Retail Delivery Point shall consist of the metered load at each connection point, summed to measure the net energy delivered to the facility in each interval.

**Retirement De-List Bid** is a bid to retire an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource from all New England Markets, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.

**Returning Market Participant** is a Market Participant, other than an FTR-Only Customer or a Governance Only Member, whose previous membership as a Market Participant was involuntarily
terminated due to a Financial Assurance Default or a payment default and, since returning, has been a Market Participant for less than six consecutive months.

**Revenue Requirement** is defined in Section IV.A.2.1 of the Tariff.

**Reviewable Action** is defined in Section III.D.1.1 of Appendix D of Market Rule 1.

**Reviewable Determination** is defined in Section 12.4(a) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**RSP Project List** is defined in Section 1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**RTEP02 Upgrade(s)** means a Transmission Upgrade that was included in the annual NEPOOL Transmission Plan (also known as the “Regional Transmission Expansion Plan” or “RTEP”) for the year 2002, as approved by ISO New England Inc.’s Board of Directors, or the functional equivalent of such Transmission Upgrade, as determined by ISO New England Inc. The RTEP02 Upgrades are listed in Schedule 12B of the OATT.

**RTO** is a regional transmission organization or comparable independent transmission organization that complies with Order No. 2000 and the Commission’s corresponding regulation.

**Same Reserve Zone Export Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

**Sanctionable Behavior** is defined in Section III.B.3 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Schedule, Schedules, Schedule 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5** are references to the individual or collective schedules to Section IV.A. of the Tariff.

**Schedule 20A Service Provider (SSP)** is defined in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Scheduling Service**, for purposes of Section IV.A and Section IV.B of the Tariff, is the service described in Schedule 1 to Section IV.A of the Tariff.

**Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Service**, for purposes of Section II of the Tariff, is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 1 of the OATT.
**Seasonal Claimed Capability** is the summer or winter claimed capability of a generating unit or ISO-approved combination of units, and represent the maximum dependable load carrying ability of such unit or units, excluding capacity required for station use.

**Seasonal Claimed Capability Audit** is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.3.

**Seasonal DR Audit** is a seasonal audit of the demand response capability of a Demand Resource initiated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.1.

**Seasonal Peak Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource and shall mean installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy consumed during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and Distributed Generation.

**Section III.1.4 Transactions** are defined in Section III.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Section III.1.4 Conforming Transactions** are defined in Section III.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Security Agreement** is Attachment 1 to the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Self-Schedule** is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling its Resource, in accordance with applicable ISO New England Manuals, to provide service in an hour, whether or not in the absence of that action the Resource would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to provide the service. For a Generator Asset, Self-Schedule is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling a Generator Asset to provide Energy in an hour at its Economic Minimum Limit, whether or not in the absence of that action the Generator Asset would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to provide the Energy. For a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, Self-Schedule is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand to consume Energy in an hour at its Minimum Consumption Limit, whether or not in the absence of that action the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to consume Energy. Demand Response Resources are not permitted to Self-Schedule.
**Self-Scheduled MW** is an amount, in megawatts, that is Self-Scheduled and is equal to: (i) a Generator Asset’s Economic Minimum Limit; (ii) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand’s Minimum Consumption Limit.

**Self-Supplied FCA Resource** is described in Section III.13.1.6 of Market Rule 1.

**Senior Officer** means an officer of the subject entity with the title of vice president (or similar office) or higher, or another officer designated in writing to the ISO by that office.

**Service Agreement** is a Transmission Service Agreement or an MPSA.

**Service Commencement Date** is the date service is to begin pursuant to the terms of an executed Service Agreement, or the date service begins in accordance with the sections of the OATT addressing the filing of unexecuted Service Agreements.

**Services** means, collectively, the Scheduling Service, EAS and RAS; individually, a Service.

**Settlement Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required from a Designated FTR Participant awarded a bid in an FTR Auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.D of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Settlement Only Resources** are generators of less than 5 MW or otherwise eligible for Settlement Only Resource treatment as described in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14 and that have elected Settlement Only Resource treatment as described in the ISO New England Manual for Registration and Performance Auditing.

**Shortage Event** is defined in Section III.13.7.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Shortage Event Availability Score** is the average of the hourly availability scores for each hour or portion of an hour during a Shortage Event, as described in Section III.13.7.1.1.1.A of Market Rule 1.

**Shortfall Funding Arrangement**, as specified in Section 5.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy, is a separate financing arrangement that can be used to make up any non-congestion related differences between amounts received on Invoices and amounts due for ISO Charges in any bill issued.
**Short-Term** is a period of less than one year.

**Significantly Reduced Congestion Costs** are defined in Section III.G.2.2 of Appendix G to Market Rule 1.

**SMD Effective Date** is March 1, 2003.

**Solutions Study** is described in Section 4.2(b) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Special Constraint Resource (SCR)** is a Resource that provides Special Constraint Resource Service under Schedule 19 of the OATT.

**Special Constraint Resource Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 19 of the OATT.

**Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for capital costs associated with adhering to NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Sponsored Policy Resource** is a New Capacity Resource that: receives an out-of-market revenue source supported by a government-regulated rate, charge or other regulated cost recovery mechanism, and; qualifies as a renewable, clean or alternative energy resource under a renewable energy portfolio standard, clean energy standard, alternative energy portfolio standard, renewable energy goal, or clean energy goal enacted (either by statute or regulation) in the New England state from which the resource receives the out-of-market revenue source and that is in effect on January 1, 2018.

**Stage One Proposal** is a first round submission, as defined in Sections 4A.5 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.
**Stage Two Solution** is a second round submission, as defined in Section 4A.5 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

**Standard Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for capital costs associated with adhering to NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Start-of-Round Price** is the highest price associated with a round of a Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Start-Up Fee** is the amount, in dollars, that must be paid for a generating unit to Market Participants with an Ownership Share in the unit each time the unit is scheduled in the New England Markets to start-up.

**Start-Up Time** is the time it takes the Generator Asset, after synchronizing to the system, to reach its Economic Minimum Limit and, for dispatchable Generator Assets, be ready for further dispatch by the ISO.

**State Estimator** means the computer model of power flows specified in Section III.2.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Statements**, for the purpose of the ISO New England Billing Policy, refer to both Invoices and Remittance Advices.

**Static De-List Bid** is a bid that may be submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction to remove itself from the capacity market for a one year period, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Station** is one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources consisting of one or more assets located within a common property boundary.
Station Going Forward Common Costs are the net costs associated with a Station that are avoided only by the clearing of the Static De-List Bids, the Permanent De-List Bids or the Retirement De-List Bids of all the Existing Generating Capacity Resources comprising the Station.

Station-level Blackstart O&M Payment is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

Station-level Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

Station-level Standard Blackstart Capital Payment is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

Summer ARA Qualified Capacity is described in Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

Summer Capability Period means one of two time periods defined by the ISO for the purposes of rating and auditing resources. The time period associated with the Summer Capability Period is the period of June 1 through September 30.

Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours are defined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.1(c) of Market Rule 1.

Supplemental Availability Bilateral is described in Section III.13.5.3.2 of Market Rule 1.

Supplemental Capacity Resources are described in Section III.13.5.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

Supplemented Capacity Resource is described in Section III.13.5.3.2 of Market Rule 1.

Supply Offer is a proposal to furnish energy at a Node or Regulation from a Resource that meets the applicable requirements set forth in the ISO New England Manuals submitted to the ISO by a Market Participant with authority to submit a Supply Offer for the Resource. The Supply Offer will be submitted pursuant to Market Rule 1 and applicable ISO New England Manuals, and include a price and information with respect to the quantity proposed to be furnished, technical parameters for the Resource, timing and other matters. A Supply Offer is a subset of the information required in a Market Participant’s Offer Data.
Supply Offer Block-Hours are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Supply Offer. Blocks of the Supply Offer in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours for a given day. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for the entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of “available,” the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours.

Synchronous Condenser is a generator that is synchronized to the grid but supplying no energy for the purpose of providing Operating Reserve or VAR or voltage support.

System Condition is a specified condition on the New England Transmission System or on a neighboring system, such as a constrained transmission element or flowgate, that may trigger Curtailment of Long-Term Firm MTF or OTF Service on the MTF or the OTF using the curtailment priority pursuant to Section II.44 of the Tariff or Curtailment of Local Long-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service on the non-PTF using the curtailment priority pursuant to Schedule 21 of the Tariff. Such conditions must be identified in the Transmission Customer’s Service Agreement.

System Impact Study is an assessment pursuant to Part II.B, II.C, II.G, Schedule 21, Schedule 22, Schedule 23, or Schedule 25 of the OATT of (i) the adequacy of the PTF or Non-PTF to accommodate a request for the interconnection of a new or materially changed generating unit or a new or materially changed interconnection to another Control Area or new Regional Network Service or new Local Service or an Elective Transmission Upgrade, and (ii) whether any additional costs may be required to be incurred in order to provide the interconnection or transmission service.

System Operator shall mean ISO New England Inc. or a successor organization.

System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve is the demand curve used in the Forward Capacity Market as specified in Section III.13.2.2.

TADO is the total amount due and owing (not including any amounts due under Section 14.1 of the RNA) at such time to the ISO, NEPOOL, the PTOs, the Market Participants and the Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers, by all PTOs, Market Participants and Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers.
**Tangible Net Worth** is the value, determined in accordance with international accounting standards or generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, of all of that entity’s assets less the following: (i) assets the ISO reasonably believes to be restricted or potentially unavailable to settle a claim in the event of a default (e.g., regulatory assets, restricted assets, and Affiliate assets), net of any matching liabilities, to the extent that the result of that netting is a positive value; (ii) derivative assets, net of any matching liabilities, to the extent that the result of that netting is a positive value; (iii) the amount at which the liabilities of the entity would be shown on a balance sheet in accordance with international accounting standards or generally accepted accounting principles in the United States; (iv) preferred stock; (v) non-controlling interest; and (vi) all of that entity’s intangible assets (e.g., patents, trademarks, franchises, intellectual property, goodwill and any other assets not having a physical existence), in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such entity to the ISO.

**Technical Committee** is defined in Section 8.2 of the Participants Agreement.

**Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR)** is the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that can be converted fully into energy within ten minutes from the request of the ISO (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that can be fully utilized within ten minutes from the request of the ISO to reduce consumption; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within ten minutes from the request of the ISO.

**Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 6 of the OATT.

**Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve (TMSR)** is the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that is electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System that can be converted fully into energy within ten minutes from the request of the ISO; (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand pump that is electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System that can reduce energy consumption to provide reserve capability within ten minutes from the request of the ISO; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within ten minutes from the request of the ISO for which none of the associated Demand Response Assets have a generator whose output can be controlled located behind the Retail Delivery Point other than emergency generators that cannot operate electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System.
Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 5 of the OATT.

Third-Party Sale is any sale for resale in interstate commerce to a Power Purchaser that is not designated as part of Regional Network Load or Local Network Load under the Regional Network Service or Local Network Service, as applicable.

Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR) means the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that can be converted fully into energy within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that can be fully utilized within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO to reduce consumption; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO.

Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 7 of the OATT.

Through or Out Rate (TOUT Rate) is the rate per hour for Through or Out Service, as defined in Section II.25.2 of the OATT.

Through or Out Service (TOUT Service) means Point-To-Point Service over the PTF provided by the ISO with respect to a transaction that goes through the New England Control Area, as, for example, a single transaction where energy or capacity is transmitted into the New England Control Area from New Brunswick and subsequently out of the New England Control Area to New York, or a single transaction where energy or capacity is transmitted into the New England Control Area from New York through one point on the PTF and subsequently flows over the PTF prior to passing out of the New England Control Area to New York, or with respect to a transaction which originates at a point on the PTF and flows over the PTF prior to passing out of the New England Control Area, as, for example, from Boston to New York.

Tie-Line Asset is a physical transmission tie-line, or an inter-state or intra-state border arrangement created according to the ISO New England Manuals and registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.
**Total Available Amount** is the sum of the available amount of the Shortfall Funding Arrangement and the balance in the Payment Default Shortfall Fund.

**Total Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation calculated under either Section 5.1 or Section 5.2 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, as applicable.

**Total Blackstart O&M Payment** is the annual compensation calculated under either Section 5.1 or 5.2 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, as applicable.

**Total Blackstart Service Payments** is monthly compensation to Blackstart Owners or Market Participants, as applicable, and as calculated pursuant to Section 5.6 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Total Negative Hourly Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the absolute value of the sum of the negative Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviations and negative Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Deviations from all Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources receiving Dispatch Instructions in the same hour in the same Dispatch Zone.

**Total Positive Hourly Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the sum of the positive Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviations and positive Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Deviations from all Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources receiving Dispatch Instructions in the same hour in the same Dispatch Zone.

**Total System Capacity** is the aggregate capacity supply curve for the New England Control Area as determined in accordance with Section III.13.2.3.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Transaction Unit (TU)** is a type of billing determinant under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff used to assess charges to Customers.

**Transition Period**: The six-year period commencing on March 1, 1997.

**Transmission Charges**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy and the ISO New England Billing Policy, are all charges and payments under Schedules 1, 8 and 9 of the OATT.
**Transmission Congestion Credit** means the allocated share of total Transmission Congestion Revenue credited to each holder of Financial Transmission Rights, calculated and allocated as specified in Section III.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Transmission Congestion Revenue** is defined in Section III.5.2.5(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Transmission Credit Limit** is a credit limit, not to be used to meet FTR Requirements, established for each Market Participant in accordance with Section II.D and each Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer in accordance with Section V.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Transmission Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(c) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Transmission Customer** is any Eligible Customer that (i) executes, on its own behalf or through its Designated Agent, an MPSA or TSA, or (ii) requests in writing, on its own behalf or through its Designated Agent, that the ISO, the Transmission Owner, or the Schedule 20A Service Provider, as applicable, file with the Commission, a proposed unexecuted MPSA or TSA containing terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the ISO (in consultation with the applicable PTO, OTO or Schedule 20A Service Provider) in order that the Eligible Customer may receive transmission service under Section II of this Tariff. A Transmission Customer under Section II of this Tariff includes a Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant taking Regional Network Service, Through or Out Service, MTF Service, OTF Service, Ancillary Services, or Local Service.

**Transmission Default Amount** is all or any part of any amount of Transmission Charges due to be paid by any Covered Entity that the ISO, in its reasonable opinion, believes will not or has not been paid when due.

**Transmission Default Period** is defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Transmission Late Payment Account** is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Transmission Late Payment Account Limit** is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.
Transmission Late Payment Charge is defined in Section 4.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (Tariff) is the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, as amended from time to time.

Transmission Obligations are determined in accordance with Section III.A(vi) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Transmission Operating Agreement (TOA) is the Transmission Operating Agreement between and among the ISO and the PTOs, as amended and restated from time to time.

Transmission Owner means a PTO, MTO or OTO.

Transmission Provider is the ISO for Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service as provided under Section II.B and II.C of the OATT; Cross-Sound Cable, LLC for Merchant Transmission Service as provided under Schedule 18 of the OATT; the Schedule 20A Service Providers for Phase I/II HVDC-TF Service as provided under Schedule 20A of the OATT; and the Participating Transmission Owners for Local Service as provided under Schedule 21 of the OATT.

Transmission Requirements are determined in accordance with Section III.A(iii) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Transmission Security Analysis Requirement shall be determined pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.2.

Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) is the initial agreement and any amendments or supplements thereto: (A) in the form specified in either Attachment A or B to the OATT, entered into by the Transmission Customer and the ISO for Regional Network Service or Through or Out Service; (B) entered into by the Transmission Customer with the ISO and PTO in the form specified in Attachment A to Schedule 21 of the OATT; (C) entered into by the Transmission Customer with an OTO or Schedule 20A Service Provider in the appropriate form specified under Schedule 20 of the OATT; or (D) entered into by the Transmission Customer with a MTO in the appropriate form specified under Schedule 18 of the OATT. A Transmission Service Agreement shall be required for Local Service, MTF Service and OTF Service, and shall be required for Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service if the Transmission Customer has not executed a MPSA.
Transmission Upgrade(s) means an upgrade, modification or addition to the PTF that becomes subject to the terms and conditions of the OATT governing rates and service on the PTF on or after January 1, 2004. This categorization and cost allocation of Transmission Upgrades shall be as provided for in Schedule 12 of the OATT.

UDS is unit dispatch system software.

Unconstrained Export Transaction is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

Uncovered Default Amount is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Uncovered Transmission Default Amounts are defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unrated means a Market Participant that is not a Rated Market Participant.

Unsecured Covered Entity is, collectively, an Unsecured Municipal Market Participant and an Unsecured Non-Municipal Covered Entity.

Unsecured Municipal Default Amount is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Municipal Market Participant is defined in Section 3.3(h) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Municipal Transmission Default Amount is defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Non-Municipal Covered Entity is a Covered Entity that is not a Municipal Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer and has a Market Credit Limit or Transmission Credit Limit of greater than $0 under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
**Unsecured Non-Municipal Default Amount** is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Unsecured Non-Municipal Transmission Default Amount** is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Unsecured Transmission Default Amounts** are, collectively, the Unsecured Municipal Transmission Default Amount and the Unsecured Non-Municipal Transmission Default Amount.

**Updated Measurement and Verification Plan** is an optional Measurement and Verification Plan that may be submitted as part of a subsequent qualification process for a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period of the Demand Resource project. The Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may include updated Demand Resource project specifications, measurement and verification protocols, and performance data as described in Section III.13.1.4.3.1.2 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**VAR CC Rate** is the CC rate paid to Qualified Reactive Resources for VAR Service capability under Section IV.A of Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**VAR Payment** is the payment made to Qualified Reactive Resources for VAR Service capability under Section IV.A of Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**VAR Service** is the provision of reactive power voltage support to the New England Transmission System by a Qualified Reactive Resource or by other generators that are dispatched by the ISO to provide dynamic reactive power as described in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Virtual Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(iv) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Volt Ampere Reactive (VAR)** is a measurement of reactive power.

**Volumetric Measure (VM)** is a type of billing determinant under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff used to assess charges to Customers under Section IV.A of the Tariff.
**Winter ARA Qualified Capacity** is described in Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Winter Capability Period** means one of two time periods defined by the ISO for the purposes of rating and auditing resources. The time period associated with the Winter Capability Period is the period October 1 through May 31.

**Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours** are defined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.2(c) of Market Rule 1.

**Year** means a period of 365 or 366 days, whichever is appropriate, commencing on, or on the anniversary of March 1, 1997. Year One is the Year commencing on March 1, 1997, and Years Two and higher follow it in sequence.

**Zonal Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.
III.13. **Forward Capacity Market.**

The ISO shall administer a forward market for capacity ("Forward Capacity Market") in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13. For each one-year period from June 1 through May 31, starting with the period June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2011, for which Capacity Supply Obligations are assumed and payments are made in the Forward Capacity Market ("Capacity Commitment Period"), the ISO shall conduct a **descending clock auction** ("Forward Capacity Auction") in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.2 to procure the amount of capacity needed in the New England Control Area and in each modeled Capacity Zone during the Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in accordance with the provisions of Section III.12. To be eligible to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation for a Capacity Commitment Period through the Forward Capacity Auction, a resource must be accepted in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.1. A Capacity Supply Obligation is an obligation to provide capacity from a resource, or a portion thereof, that is acquired through a Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with Section III.13.2, a reconfiguration auction in accordance with Section III.13.4, or a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral in accordance with Section III.13.5.

Each resource, or portion thereof, must qualify as a New Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.1), an Existing Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.2), a New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.3), or a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (Section III.13.1.4). Each resource must be at least 100 kW in size to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction, except for resources registered with the ISO prior to the earliest date that any portion of this Section III.13 becomes effective. An offer may be composed of separate resources, pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.1.5. Pursuant to the provisions of this Section III.13.1, the ISO shall determine a summer Qualified Capacity and a winter Qualified Capacity for each resource, and an FCA Qualified Capacity for each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource, New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, and New Demand Resource. A Generating Capacity Resource and a Demand Resource may not both participate in the Forward Capacity Market if located at the same Retail Delivery Point, unless the Generating Capacity Resource is separately metered and its output is added to the metered load as measured at the Retail Delivery Point.

All Project Sponsors must be Market Participants no later than 30 days prior to the deadline for submitting the FCM Deposit.


To participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, a resource or proposed resource must meet the requirements of this Section III.13.1.1.


A resource or a portion of a resource that is not a New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource (as defined in Section III.13.1.3), or a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (as discussed in Section III.13.1.4) shall be considered a New Generating Capacity Resource for participation in a Forward Capacity Auction if either: (i) the resource has never previously been counted as a capacity resource as described in Section III.13.1.1.1.1; or (ii) the resource, or a portion thereof, meets one of the criteria in Section III.13.1.1.1.2.

III.13.1.1.1. Resources Never Previously Counted as Capacity.
(a) A resource, or a portion thereof, will be considered to have never been counted as a capacity resource if it has not cleared in any previous Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) [Reserved.]

(c) Where a New Capacity Generating Resource was accepted for participation in the qualification process for a previous Forward Capacity Auction, but cleared less than its summer Qualified Capacity in that previous Forward Capacity Auction and is having its critical path schedule monitored by the ISO in accordance with Section III.13.3, the portion of the resource that did not clear in the previous Forward Capacity Auction shall be a New Generating Capacity Resource in the subsequent Forward Capacity Auction. Such a New Generating Capacity Resource must satisfy all of the qualification process requirements applicable to a New Generating Capacity Resource as described in Section III.13.1.1.2, except that the Project Sponsor is not required to resubmit documentation demonstrating site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) or to resubmit a critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) or to provide a new Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit (Section III.13.1.1.2.1(e)).

### III.13.1.1.1.2. Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

A resource that has previously been counted as a capacity resource, including a deactivated or retired capacity resource, may elect to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, as described in this Section III.13.1.1.1.2. The incremental expenditure required to reactivate a resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions) may be included in the calculation of the dollar per kilowatt thresholds in this Section III.13.1.1.1.2. A resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.1.2 shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(e). A resource shall be accepted for participation as a new resource if it complies with one of the following three subsections:

(a) Where investment in the resource will result, by the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period, in an increase in output by an amount exceeding the greater of: (i) 20 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) 40 MW above the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction, the whole resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource; or
(b) Where investment in the resource subsequent to January 1, 2007 and prior to the conclusion of the first Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation for which treatment as a new resource may be applied, for the purposes of re-powering will be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the whole resource’s summer Qualified Capacity after re-powering, the owner of the resource may elect that the whole resource participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs; or

(c) Where investment in the resource subsequent to January 1, 2007 and prior to the conclusion of the first Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation for which treatment as a new resource may be applied, for the purpose of compliance with environmental regulations or permits will be equal to or greater than $100 per kilowatt of the whole resource’s summer Qualified Capacity after the investment, the owner of the resource may elect that the whole resource participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource. The $100 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs.

III.13.1.1.1.3. Incremental Capacity of Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

The owner of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource may elect to have the incremental amount of capacity above the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, where investment in the resource:

(a) will result, by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, in an increase in output greater than 2 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction, but less than or equal to the greater of: (i) 20 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) 40 MW; and

(b) will be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the amount of the increase in summer Qualified Capacity resulting from the investment. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs. These investment costs may include the costs associated with reactivating a resource that was previously deactivated pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff
(or its predecessor provisions) and in which investment in the resource was undertaken prior to reactivation. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section does not cause the resource to exceed the megawatt amount approved in the resource’s Interconnection Agreement, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package but is not required to submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form for the incremental amount by the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.3 causes the resource to exceed the megawatt amount approved in the resource’s Interconnection Agreement or MW amount approved pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 and a New Capacity Qualification Package pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 for the incremental amount.

III.13.1.1.3.A. Treatment of New Incremental Capacity and Existing Generating Capacity at the Same Generating Resource.

For incremental summer capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.3 or incremental winter capacity that meets the investment thresholds in Section III.13.1.1.3 as applied to the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity, if the incremental summer or winter capacity does not span the entire Capacity Commitment Period, then the ISO shall match the incremental summer or winter capacity with excess existing winter or summer Qualified Capacity at that same resource, as appropriate, not to exceed the Qualified Capacity of the existing portion of the resource, in order to cover the entire Capacity Commitment Period. This provision shall not apply to Intermittent Power Resources or Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.1.4. De-rated Capacity of Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

For purposes of the Forward Capacity Market, de-rated capacity of a resource shall be measured by the difference between the summer Qualified Capacity prior to the de-rating of the resource and the most recent summer demonstration of Seasonal Claimed Capability of a resource, as of the fifth Business Day of October. The owner of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource that has been de-rated by at least 2 percent of its summer Qualified Capacity (as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource) but by no more than the lesser of 20 percent of its summer Qualified Capacity (as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource) or 40 MW for three or more years at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction may elect to have the incremental amount of capacity above the capacity level established while de-rated treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource if it demonstrates that it will be reestablished prior to the
start of the Capacity Commitment Period and that the investment in the resource for such purposes shall be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the amount of the increase in summer Qualified Capacity resulting from the investment. The Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.1 and a New Capacity Qualification Package pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2 for the incremental amount of capacity for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs. The owner of a resource seeking to have the incremental amount of capacity counted as a New Generating Capacity Resource as provided in this Section, must demonstrate based on historical data that the resource previously operated at a level at least 2 percent above the de-rated amount.

III.13.1.1.5. Treatment of Resources that are Partially New and Partially Existing.

For purposes of this Section III.13.1, where only a portion of a single resource is treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource, either as a result of partial clearing in a previous Forward Capacity Auction or pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.3 or Section III.13.1.1.4, then except as otherwise indicated in this Section III.13.1, that portion of the resource shall be treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource, and the remainder of the resource shall be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.1.6. Treatment of Deactivated and Retired Units.

(a) [Reserved.]

(b) A resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, that submits to the ISO a reactivation plan demonstrating that the resource shall return to Commercial Operation shall, subject to ISO review and acceptance of that reactivation plan, be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource unless that resource satisfies the criteria under Section III.13.1.1.2 as a New Generating Capacity Resource. Such reactivation plans must be received by the ISO no later than 15 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. A resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, that submits to the ISO a reactivation plan demonstrating that the resource shall return to Commercial Operation and having a material modification as described in Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, shall be subject to Section III.13.1.1.2.3 (Initial Interconnection Analysis).
III.13.1.1.7 Renewable Technology Resources.

To participate in the Forward Capacity Market as a Renewable Technology Resource, a Generating Capacity Resource or an On-Peak Demand Resource (including every asset that is part of the On-Peak Demand Resource) must satisfy the following requirements:

(a) receive an out-of-market revenue source supported by a state- or federally-regulated rate, charge or other regulated cost recovery mechanism;

(b) qualify as a renewable or alternative energy generating resource under any New England state’s mandated (either by statute or regulation) renewable or alternative energy portfolio standards as in effect on January 1, 2014, or, in states without a standard, qualify under that state’s renewable energy goals as a renewable resource (either by statute or regulation) as in effect on January 1, 2014. The resource must qualify as a renewable or alternative energy generating resource in the state in which it is geographically located;

(c) participate in a Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period beginning on or after June 1, 2018 as a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1, and;

(d) has been designated for treatment as a Renewable Technology Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.9.

An Export De-List Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid may not be submitted for Generating Capacity Resources that assumed a Capacity Supply Obligation by participating in a Forward Capacity Auction as a Renewable Technology Resource.


For a resource to qualify as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the resource’s Project Sponsor must make two separate submissions to the ISO: First, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. Second, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. Each of these submissions is described in more detail in this Section III.13.1.1.2. The Project Sponsor must also submit to the ISO, or in the case of an Import Capacity Resource seeking to qualify
with an Elective Transmission Upgrade be associated with, an Interconnection Request under Schedules 22, 23 or 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff prior to submitting a New Capacity Show of Interest Form during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. Both the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and the New Capacity Qualification Package are required regardless of the status of the project under the interconnection procedures described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. Neither the New Capacity Show of Interest Form nor the New Capacity Qualification Package constitutes an Interconnection Request. A Project Sponsor may withdraw from the qualification process at any time prior to three Business Days before the submission of the FCM Deposit pursuant to Section III.13.1.9.1 by providing written notification of such withdrawal to the ISO. Any withdrawal, whether pursuant to this provision or as determined by the ISO (for example as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.1 or Section III.13.1.9.3), shall be irrevocable. The Project Sponsor of a withdrawn application is subject to reconciliation of its Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit described in Section III.13.1.9.3. None of the provisions of this Section III.13.1, including the initial interconnection analysis and the analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, supersedes, replaces, or satisfies any of the requirements of Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, except as specifically provided thereunder. Determinations by the ISO pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.2, including the initial interconnection analysis and the analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, are for purposes of qualification for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction only, and do not constitute a right or approval to interconnect, and do not guarantee the ability to interconnect.

III.13.1.1.2.1. New Capacity Show of Interest Form.
Except as otherwise provided in this Section III.13.1.1.2.1, for each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a New Capacity Show of Interest Form as described in this Section III.13.1.1.2.1 during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. After submission of a New Capacity Show of Interest Form, Material Modification (as defined in Section 4.4 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23, or Section 4.4 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff) may not be made to the information contained therein or the New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall be considered withdrawn. No change that may result in a reduction in capacity may be made to a project described in a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or New Capacity Qualification Package between the date that is 150 days before the start of the Forward Capacity Auction and the deadline for qualification determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8.
(a) A completed New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall include the following information, to the extent the information is not already provided under an active Interconnection Request under Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, and other such information necessary to evaluate a project: the project name; the Project Sponsor’s contact information; the Project Sponsor’s ISO customer status; the project’s expected Commercial Operation date; the project address or location, and if relevant, asset identification number; the status of the project under the interconnection procedures described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff; whether the resource has ever previously had a Capacity Supply Obligation or previously received payment as a capacity resource pursuant to the market rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010; the capacity (in MW) of the New Generating Capacity Resource; the Economic Minimum Limit (in MW) of the New Generating Capacity Resource; a general description of the project’s equipment configuration, including a description of the resource type (such as those listed in the table in Section III.A.21 or some other type); a simple location plan and a one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities, including any known transmission facilities; the location of the proposed interconnection; and other specific project data as set forth in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. A completed New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall also specify the Queue Position associated with the project pursuant to Section 4.1 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 or Section 4.1 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. In the case of a resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource that is supported by an Internal Elective Transmission Upgrade, all Queue Positions associated with the project must be submitted in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form. Submittal of the Interconnection Request may take place prior to the qualification process described here, but no later than the date on which the New Capacity Show of Interest Form is submitted to the ISO; however, the Interconnection Customer Interconnection Request must still be active and consistent with the project described in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form as well as the New Capacity Qualification Package to be submitted as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.

(b) The Project Sponsor must submit with the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, documentation demonstrating that the Project Sponsor has already achieved control of the project site for the duration of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.1.

(c) In the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, the Project Sponsor must indicate if the New Generating Capacity Resource is incremental capacity associated with a resource that previously had a Capacity Supply Obligation or previously received payment as a capacity resource pursuant to the market
rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010 as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.3, or if the New Generating Capacity Resource is incremental capacity associated with a resource previously listed as a capacity resource that has been de-rated for three or more years at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.4.

(d) [Reserved.]

(e) With the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, the Project Sponsor must submit the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, as described in Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.2.2. New Capacity Qualification Package.
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline, described in Section III.13.1.10. Except as otherwise provided in this Section III.13.1, the New Capacity Qualification Package shall conform to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.2.2. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. No change that may result in a reduction in capacity may be made to a project described in a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or New Capacity Qualification Package between the date that is 150 days before the start of the Forward Capacity Auction and the deadline for qualification determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.2.8.

III.13.1.2.2.1. Site Control.
For all Forward Capacity Auctions and reconfiguration auctions, the Project Sponsor must achieve, prior to the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, control of the project site for the duration of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, which shall be as defined in Section 4.1 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 or Section 4.1 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.2.2.2. Critical Path Schedule.
In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide a critical path schedule for the project with sufficient detail to allow the ISO to evaluate the feasibility of the project being built and the feasibility that the project will meet the requirement that the project achieve Commercial Operation as qualified no later than the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. The critical path schedule shall include, at a minimum, the dates on which the following milestones have or are expected to occur:
(a) **Major Permits.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must list all major permits required for the project, and for each major permit, the Project Sponsor must list the agency requiring the permit, the date on which application for the permit is expected to be made, and the expected date of approval. Major permits shall include, but are not limited to: (i) all federal and state permits; and (ii) local, regional, and town permits. The permitting and installation process associated with any major ancillary infrastructure (such as new gas pipelines, new water supply systems, or large storage tanks) should be included in this portion of the New Capacity Qualification Package.

(b) **Project Financing Closing.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor shall provide (i) the estimated dollar amount of required project financing; (ii) the expected sources of that financing; and (iii) the expected closing date(s) for the project financing.

(c) **Major Equipment Orders.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide a list of all of the major components necessary for the project, and the date or dates on which all major components necessary for the project have been or are expected to be ordered. Although the specific technology will determine the list of major components to be included, the list shall include, to the extent applicable: (i) electric generators which may include equipment such as fuel cells or solar photovoltaic equipment; (ii) turbines; (iii) step-up transformers; (iv) relay panels; (v) distributed control systems; and (vi) any other single piece of equipment or system such as a cooling water system, steam generation, steam handling system, water treatment system, fuel handling system or emissions control system that is not included as a sub-component of other equipment listed in this Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2(d) and that accounts for more than five percent of the total project cost. For an Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, major components shall also include, to the extent applicable, transmission facilities and associated substation equipment.

(d) **Substantial Site Construction.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the approximate date on which the amount of money expended on construction activities occurring on the project site is expected to exceed 20 percent of construction financing costs.

(e) **Major Equipment Delivery.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the dates on which the major equipment described in subsection (d) above has been or is scheduled to be delivered to the project site.
(f) **Major Equipment Testing.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date or dates on which each piece of major equipment described in subsection (d) above is scheduled to undergo testing, including major systems testing, as appropriate for the specific technology to establish its suitability to allow, in conjunction with other major equipment, subsequent Commercial Operation of the project in accordance with the design capacity of the resource and in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The test(s) shall include those conducted at the point at which the operation of the major equipment will be determined to be in compliance with the requirements of the engineering or purchase specifications.

(g) **Commissioning.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date on which the project is expected to have demonstrated the level of performance specified in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and in the New Capacity Qualification Package.

(h) **Commercial Operation.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date by which the project is expected to achieve Commercial Operation. This date must be no later than the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction.

**III.13.1.1.2.2.3. Offer Information.**

(a) All New Generating Capacity Resources that might submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package the lowest price at which the resource requests to offer capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and supporting documentation justifying that price as competitive in light of the resource’s costs (as described in Section III.A.21). This price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that Section.

(b) The Project Sponsor for a New Generating Capacity Resource must indicate in the New Capacity Qualification Package if an offer from the New Generating Capacity Resource may be rationed. A Project Sponsor may specify a single MW quantity at or above the Economic Minimum Limit to which offers may be rationed. Without such indication, offers will only be accepted or rejected in whole. This rationing election shall apply for the entire Forward Capacity Auction.
(c) By submitting a New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor certifies that an offer from the New Generating Capacity Resource will not include any anticipated revenues the resource is expected to receive for its capacity cost as a Qualified Generator Reactive Resource pursuant to Schedule 2 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.1.2.2.4. Capacity Commitment Period Election.

In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must specify whether, if its New Capacity Offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) shall continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to six additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period increments only. For incremental capacity qualified pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.3.A, this election shall apply to both the incremental amount of capacity and the existing Qualified Capacity matched to the incremental capacity at the same generating resource. If no such election is made in the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price associated with the New Capacity Offer shall apply only for the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the New Capacity Offer clears. If a New Capacity Offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the capacity associated with the resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to any type of de-list or export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4.

III.13.1.1.2.2.5. Additional Requirements for Resources Previously Counted As Capacity.

In addition to the information described elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.1.2.2:

(a) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 (re-powering), Section III.13.1.1.1.3 (incremental capacity), or Section III.13.1.1.1.4 (de-rated capacity), the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package documentation of the costs associated with the project in sufficient detail to allow the ISO to determine that the relevant cost threshold (described in Sections III.13.1.1.1.2(b), III.13.1.1.1.3(b), and III.13.1.1.1.4) will be met.

(b) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2(c) (environmental compliance), the Project Sponsor
must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package: (i) a detailed description of the specific regulations that it is seeking to comply with and the permits that it must obtain; and (ii) documentation of the costs associated with the project in sufficient detail to allow the ISO to determine that the relevant cost threshold (described in Section III.13.1.1.2(c)) will be met.

(c) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Sections III.13.1.1.2, III.13.1.1.3, or III.13.1.1.4, the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package detailed information showing how and when the resource will shed its Capacity Supply Obligation to accommodate necessary work on the facility, if necessary. The Project Sponsor must also include the shedding of its Capacity Supply Obligation as an additional milestone in the critical path schedule described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.

III.13.1.1.2.2.6. Additional Requirements for New Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

In addition to the information described elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.1.2, for each Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package:

(a) a claimed summer Qualified Capacity and a claimed winter Qualified Capacity based on the data described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6(b);

(b) measured and recorded site-specific summer and winter data relevant to the expected performance of the Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource (including wind speed data for wind resources, water flow data for run-of-river hydropower resources, and irradiance data for solar resources) that, with the other information provided in the New Capacity Qualification Package, will enable the ISO to confirm the summer and winter Qualified Capacity that the Project Sponsor claims for the Intermittent Power Resource or the Intermittent Settlement Only Resource.

III.13.1.1.2.3. Initial Interconnection Analysis.

(a) For each New Generating Capacity Resource, the ISO shall perform an initial interconnection analysis, including an analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, based on the information provided in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and shall determine the amount of capacity that the resource could provide by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period. The initial interconnection
analysis shall be performed consistent with the criteria and conditions described in ISO New England Planning Procedures, and will include, but will not be limited to, a power flow analysis and a short circuit analysis. No initial interconnection analysis is required where the total requested Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Sections III.13.1.1.2, III.13.1.1.3, III.13.1.1.4, or III.13.1.1.6 can be realized without a Material Modification (as defined in Section 4.4 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 and Section 4.4 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff). The ISO will perform the initial interconnection analysis in the form of a group study that will include all the projects that have submitted a New Capacity Show of Interest Form to participate in the same Capacity Commitment Period (as described in Section 4.1 of Schedule 22 and Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff). Participation in an initial interconnection analysis is a requirement for obtaining Capacity Network Resource Interconnection Service or Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service in a manner that meets the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard in accordance with the provisions in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

(b) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the interconnection facilities and upgrades identified in the qualification process that are necessary to enable the New Generating Capacity Resource to provide the entire amount of capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form can not be implemented before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Qualified Capacity values may be adjusted accordingly, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.5.

(c) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the interconnection facilities and upgrades identified in the qualification process that are necessary to enable the New Generating Capacity Resource to provide capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form can not be implemented before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period and the New Generating Capacity Resource can not provide any capacity without those facilities and upgrades, the resource shall not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In this case, the ISO will provide an explanation of its determination in the qualification determination notification, discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.8.

(d) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the New Generating Capacity Resource can provide all or some of the capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, and if the New Generating Capacity Resource is
accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1, then in the qualification determination notification, discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, the ISO, after consultation with the applicable Transmission Owner(s) or Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer as appropriate, shall include a list of the facilities that may be required to complete the interconnection and time required to construct those facilities by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

(e) Where, as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO concludes, after consultation with the Project Sponsor and the applicable Transmission Owner(s) or Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, that the capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form can not be interconnected by the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period, the Forward Capacity Market qualification process for that resource shall be terminated and the ISO will notify the Project Sponsor of such termination.

(f) Where, as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that because of overlapping interconnection impacts, New Generating Capacity Resources that are otherwise accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1 cannot provide the full amount of capacity that they each would otherwise be able to provide (in the absence of the other relevant Existing Generating Capacity Resources and New Generating Capacity Resources seeking to qualify for the Forward Capacity Auction), those New Generating Capacity Resources will be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction on the basis of their Queue Position, as described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, with priority given to resources that entered the queue earlier. Resources with lower priority in the queue may be accepted partially. Starting with the fourth auction, a New Generating Capacity Resource that meets the requirements of this Section III.13.1, but that would not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of overlapping interconnection impacts with another resource having a higher priority in the queue may be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Conditional Qualified New Resource, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(f), provided that the resource having a higher priority in the queue is not a resource offering capacity into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(e).

(g) New Generating Capacity Resources, or portions thereof, shall not be considered to have met their Capacity Supply Obligation for the purposes of this Forward Capacity Market and shall not receive compensation if any upgrades to be completed by the Project Sponsor required to remove overlapping
interconnection impacts as identified in (f) have not been completed, including, any upgrades identified in a restudy pursuant to Section 3.2.1.3 of Schedule 22, Section 1.7.1.3 of Schedule 23, or Section 3.2.1.3 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff in time for the Capacity Commitment Period unless the Capacity Supply Obligation is appropriately covered.

III.13.1.1.2.4. Evaluation of New Capacity Qualification Package.
The ISO shall review a New Generating Capacity Resource’s New Capacity Qualification Package consistent with the dates set forth in Section III.13.1.10, and shall determine whether the package is complete and whether, based on the information provided, the New Generating Capacity Resource is accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In making these determinations, the ISO may consider, but is not limited to considering, the following:
(a) whether the New Capacity Qualification Package contains all of the elements required by this Section III.13.1.1.2;

(b) whether the critical path schedule includes all necessary elements and is sufficiently developed;

(c) whether the milestones in the critical path schedule are reasonable and likely to be met;

(d) whether, in the case of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource, the requirements for treatment as a New Generating Capacity Resource are satisfied; and

(e) whether, in the case of an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource, sufficient data for confirming the resource’s claimed summer and winter Qualified Capacity is provided, and whether the data provided reasonably supports the claimed summer and winter Qualified Capacity.

III.13.1.1.2.5. Qualified Capacity for New Generating Capacity Resources.

III.13.1.1.2.5.1. New Generating Capacity Resources Other Than Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.
The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource that has cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction shall be based on the data provided to the ISO during the qualification process, subject to ISO review and verification, and possibly as modified pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3(b). The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be the lesser of the resource’s
summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources.

III.13.1.1.2.5.2. [Reserved]

III.13.1.1.2.5.3. New Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.
The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity claimed by the Project Sponsor pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6, as confirmed by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4(e). The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be equal to the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources.

III.13.1.1.2.5.4. New Generating Capacity Resources Partially Clearing in a Previous Forward Capacity Auction.
Where, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.1.1(c), a New Generating Capacity Resource was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, but cleared less than its summer or winter Qualified Capacity in that previous Forward Capacity Auction and is having its critical path schedule monitored by the ISO as described in Section III.13.3, its summer and winter Qualified Capacity as a New Generating Capacity Resource in the instant Forward Capacity Auction shall be the summer and winter Qualified Capacity from the previous Forward Capacity Auction minus the amount of capacity clearing from the New Generating Capacity Resource in the previous Forward Capacity Auction. The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be the lesser of the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources. The amount of capacity clearing in a Forward Capacity Auction from a New Generating Capacity Resource shall be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.1.2.6. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.1.2.7. Opportunity to Consult with Project Sponsor.
In its review of a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or a New Capacity Qualification Package, the ISO may consult with the Project Sponsor to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or
to address questions or concerns arising from the materials submitted. At the discretion of the ISO, the ISO may consider revisions or additions to the qualification materials resulting from such consultation; provided, however, that in no case shall the ISO consider revisions or additions to the qualification materials if the ISO believes that such consideration cannot be properly accomplished within the time periods established for the qualification process. In addition, the ISO or the Project Sponsor may confer to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or to address questions or concerns prior to the ISO’s final determination and notification of qualification.


No later than 127 days before the Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to Project Sponsors or Market Participants, as applicable, for each New Generating Capacity Resource indicating:

(a) whether the New Generating Capacity Resource has been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the initial interconnection analysis made pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3, and if not accepted, an explanation of the reasons the New Generating Capacity Resource was not accepted in the initial interconnection analysis;

(b) whether the New Generating Capacity Resource has been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the New Capacity Qualification Package evaluation made pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4, and if not accepted, an explanation of the reasons the New Generating Capacity Resource’s New Capacity Qualification Package was not accepted;

(c) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, a list of the facilities that may be required to complete the interconnection for purposes of providing capacity and time required to construct those facilities by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(d);

(d) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the New Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.5;

(e) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, but subject to the provisions of Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f) (where not all New Generating Capacity Resources can be interconnected due to
their combined effects on the New England Transmission System), a description of how the New Generating Capacity Resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction, including, for the fourth and future auctions: (i) whether the resource shall participate as a Conditional Qualified New Resource; (ii) for the notification to a Conditional Qualified New Resource, the Queue Position of the associated resource with higher queue priority; and (iii) for the notification to a resource with higher queue priority than a Conditional Qualified New Resource, the Queue Position of the Conditional Qualified New Resource; and

(f) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction and requesting to submit offers at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3, the Internal Market Monitor’s determination regarding whether the requested offer price is consistent with the long run average costs of that New Generating Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.1.2.9 Renewable Technology Resource Election.

A Project Sponsor or Market Participant may not elect Renewable Technology Resource treatment for the FCA associated with a Capacity Commitment Period beginning on or after June 1, 2025.

A Project Sponsor or Market Participant electing Renewable Technology Resource treatment for the FCA Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource shall submit a Renewable Technology Resource election form no later than five two Business Days after the date on which the ISO provides qualification determination notifications pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.8 or Section III.13.1.4.2.5.3. Only the portion of the FCA Qualified Capacity of the resource that meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.7 is eligible for treatment as a Renewable Technology Resource.

Renewable Technology Resource elections may not be modified or withdrawn after the deadline for submission of the Renewable Technology Resource election form.

The submission of a Renewable Technology Resource election that satisfies the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.7 will invalidate a prior multi-year Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price election for the same resource made pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 or Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 for a Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.1.2.10 Determination of Renewable Technology Resource Qualified Capacity.
If the total FCA Qualified Capacity of Renewable Technology Resources exceeds the cap specified in subsections (b), (c), and (d) and (e) the qualified capacity value of each resource shall be prorated by the ratio of the cap divided by the total FCA Qualified Capacity. The ISO shall notify the Project Sponsor or Market Participant, as applicable, of the Qualified Capacity value of its resource no more than three-five Business Days after the deadline for submitting Renewable Technology Resource elections.

(b) The cap for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2018 is 200 MW.
(c) The cap for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2019 is 400 MW minus the amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Generating Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2 in the prior Capacity Commitment Period.
(d) The cap for each Capacity Commitment Period beginning on or after June 1, 2020 or June 1, 2021 is 600 MW minus the amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Generating Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2 in the prior two Capacity Commitment Periods.
(e) The cap for each Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2022 or June 1, 2023 or June 1, 2024 is 514 MW minus the cumulative amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Capacity Resources in the first or second run of the primary auction-clearing process pursuant to Section III.13.2 for each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2021.

III.13.1.2. Existing Generating Capacity Resources.

An Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as defined in Section III.13.1.2.1, may participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to the provisions of this Section III.13.1.2.


Any resource that does not satisfy the criteria for participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.1), as an Existing Import Capacity Resource or New Import Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.3), or as a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (Section III.13.1.4) shall be an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.2.2. Qualified Capacity for Existing Generating Capacity Resources.
III.13.1.2.2.1.  Existing Generating Capacity Resources Other Than Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.2.2.1.1.  Summer Qualified Capacity.
The summer Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, the summer Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent four years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource has fewer than five summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, or in the case of the first Forward Capacity Auction, fewer than four summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, then the summer Qualified Capacity for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of all of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s previous summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource there are no previous positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.1.2.  Winter Qualified Capacity.
The winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, the winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent four years, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation.
Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource has fewer than five winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, or in the case of the first Forward Capacity Auction, fewer than four winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, then the winter Qualified Capacity for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of all of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s previous winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation. If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource there are no previous positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.2. Existing Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.
The summer and winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be calculated as follows:

III.13.1.2.2.2.1. Summer Qualified Capacity for an Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource.
(a) With regard to any Forward Capacity Auction, for each of the previous five summer periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in the Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource has not been in Commercial Operation for the requisite five full summer periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s net output in each of the previous summer periods, or portion thereof if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource achieved Commercial Operation during a summer period. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource began Commercial Operation after the 2006 summer period and prior to the first Forward Capacity Auction, its summer Qualified Capacity shall be established pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6, as confirmed by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4(e).

(b) The Intermittent Power Resource’s or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be the average of the median numbers determined in Section III.13.1.2.2.1(a).
(c) The Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours shall be hours ending 1400 through 1800 each day of the summer period (June through September) and all summer period hours in which the ISO has declared a system-wide Shortage Event and if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource was in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, all Shortage Events in that Capacity Zone.

(d) If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource there are no previous positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.2.2. Winter Qualified Capacity for an Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

(a) With regard to any Forward Capacity Auction, for each of the previous five winter periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in the Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource has not been in Commercial Operation for the requisite five full winter periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in each of the previous winter periods, or portion thereof if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource achieved Commercial Operation during a winter period.

(b) The Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be the average of the median numbers determined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.2(a).

(c) The Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours shall be hours ending 1800 and 1900 each day of the winter period (October through May) and all winter period hours in which the ISO has declared a system-wide Shortage Event and if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource was in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, all Shortage Events in that Capacity Zone.

(d) If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource there are no previous positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation,
then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.3. **Qualified Capacity Adjustment for Partially New and Partially Existing Resources.**

(a) Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource is associated with a New Generating Capacity Resource that was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction qualification process and that cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then in each subsequent Forward Capacity Auction until the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation the summer Qualified Capacity of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day of October of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1] plus [the amount of the New Generating Capacity Resource’s capacity clearing in previous Forward Capacity Auctions]. After the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1, except that no data from the time period prior to the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Commercial Operation date shall be used to determine the summer Qualified Capacity associated with the Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

(b) Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource is associated with a New Generating Capacity Resource that was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction qualification process and that cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then in each subsequent Forward Capacity Auction until the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation the winter Qualified Capacity of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day of June of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.2] plus [the amount of the New Generating Capacity Resource’s capacity clearing in previous Forward Capacity Auctions]. After the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.1.2, except that no data from the time period prior to the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Commercial Operation date shall be used to determine the winter Qualified Capacity associated with the Existing Generating Capacity Resource.
III.13.1.2.2.4. Adjustment for Significant Decreases in Capacity Prior to the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline.

Where the most recent summer Seasonal Claimed Capability, as of the fifth Business Day in October, of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not a Settlement Only Resource, Intermittent Power Resource, or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource is below its summer Qualified Capacity, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1, by:

(1) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning prior to June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of 20 percent of that summer Qualified Capacity or 40 MW;

(2) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of:
   (i) the greater of 10 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;
   (ii) 10 MW;

then the Lead Market Participant must elect one of the two treatments described in this Section III.13.1.2.2.4 by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. If the Lead Market Participant makes no election, or elects treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4(c) and fails to meet the associated requirements, then the treatment described in Section III.13.1.2.2.4(a) shall apply.

(a) A Lead Market Participant may elect, for the purposes of the Forward Capacity Auction only, to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity set to the most recent summer Seasonal Claimed Capability as of the fifth Business Day in October, provided that the Lead Market Participant has furnished evidence regarding the cause of the de-rating.

(b) [Reserved.]

(c) A Lead Market Participant may elect: (i) to submit a critical path schedule as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.2, modified as appropriate, describing the measures that will be taken and showing that the Existing Generating Capacity Resource will be able to provide an amount of capacity consistent with the summer Qualified Capacity as calculated pursuant to Section by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (ii) to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity remain as calculated pursuant to Section for the Forward Capacity Auction. For an Existing Generating Capacity Resource subject to this election, the critical path schedule monitoring provisions of Section III.13.3 shall apply.
III.13.1.2.2.5. Adjustment for Certain Significant Increases in Capacity.
Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not a Settlement Only Resource, meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.3(a) but not the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.3(b), the Lead Market Participant may elect to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1] plus [the amount of incremental capacity as described in Section III.13.1.1.3(a)]; provided, however, that the Lead Market Participant must abide by all other provisions of this Section III.13 applicable to a resource that is a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.3. Such an election must be made in writing and must be received by the ISO no later than the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction meets the requirements of this Section, but the incremental amount of capacity does not span the entire Capacity Commitment Period, then the ISO shall match the incremental amount of capacity with excess Qualified Capacity at that same resource, not to exceed the Qualified Capacity of the existing portion of the resource, in order to cover the entire Capacity Commitment Period. This provision shall not apply to Intermittent Power Resources or Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.2.2.5.1. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.2.5.2. Requirements for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource Having a Higher Summer Qualified Capacity than Winter Qualified Capacity.
Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource, or Existing Import Capacity Resource (other than an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource) has a summer Qualified Capacity that exceeds its winter Qualified Capacity, both as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.2, then that resource must either: (i) offer its summer Qualified Capacity as part of an offer composed of separate resources, as discussed in Section III.13.1.5; or (ii) have its FCA Qualified Capacity administratively set by the ISO to the lesser of its summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity.

III.13.1.2.3. Qualification Process for Existing Generating Capacity Resources.
For each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, no later than 20 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO will notify the resource’s Lead Market Participant of the
resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity and the Load Zone in which the
Existing Generating Capacity Resource is located. If the Lead Market Participant believes that an ISO-
determined summer Qualified Capacity or winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Generating Capacity
Resource does not accurately reflect the determination described in Section III.13.1.2.2, then the Lead
Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the Qualified Capacity
notification. The ISO shall notify the Lead Market Participant of the outcome of any such challenge no
later than 10 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. If an Existing Generating
Capacity Resource does not submit a Static De-List Bid, an Export Bid, an Administrative Export De-List
Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, or a Retirement De-List Bid in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification
process, then the resource shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section
III.13.2.3.2(c).

III.13.1.2.3.1. Existing Capacity Retirement Package and Existing Capacity Qualification
Package.

A resource that previously has been deactivated pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets
and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions) and seeks to reactivate and participate in the Forward
Capacity Market as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource must submit a reactivation plan no later
than 15 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, as described in Section
III.13.1.1.1.6(b). All Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity
Auction must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Retirement Package submitted to the ISO no later than
the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. All Static De-List Bids, Export Bids and Administrative
Export De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity Auction must be detailed in an Existing Capacity
Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline.
Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids may not be modified or withdrawn after the
Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, except as provided for in Section III.13.1.2.4.1. All Static De-List
Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative Export De-List Bids submitted in the qualification process may not
be modified or withdrawn after the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, except as provided for in
Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1. An Existing Generating Capacity Resource may not submit a Static De-List Bid,
Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid for an
amount of capacity greater than its summer Qualified Capacity, unless the submittal is for the entire
resource. Where a resource elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 to have
the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity
Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, the capacity
associated with any resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to any type of de-list or
export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply. For a single resource, a Lead Market Participant may combine a Static De-List Bid, an Export Bid, and an Administrative Export De-List Bid; neither a Permanent De-List Bid nor a Retirement De-List Bid may be combined with any other type of de-list or export bid.

Static De-List Bids and Export Bids may elect to be rationed (as described in Section III.13.2.6, however, an Export Bid is always subject to potential rationing where the associated external interface binds). Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Static De-List Bid and Export Bid for a single resource, each of those bids must have the same rationing election. Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, and Administrative Export De-List Bid for a single resource, none of the prices in a set of price-quantity pairs associated with a bid may be the same as any price in any other set of price-quantity pairs associated with another bid for the same resource.

III.13.1.2.3.1.A Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold.
The Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold for a Forward Capacity Auction is $5.50/kW-month. The Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold shall be recalculated no less often than once every three years. When the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold is recalculated, the Internal Market Monitor will review the results of the recalculation with stakeholders.

III.13.1.2.3.1.1 Static De-List Bids.
A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource, or a portion thereof, seeking to specify a price below which it would not accept a Capacity Supply Obligation for that resource, or a portion thereof, at prices at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold during a single Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Static De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. A Static De-List Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. Each Static De-List Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. All Static De-List Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5. Static De-List Bids are subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and must include the additional documentation.
described in that section. With the submission of a Static De-List Bid, the Lead Market Participant must notify the ISO if the Existing Capacity Resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period (except for necessary audits or tests).

No later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(b), a Lead Market Participant that submitted a Static De-List Bid may: (a) lower the price of any price-quantity pair of a Static De-List Bid, provided that the revised price is greater than or equal to the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, or; (b) withdraw any price-quantity pair of a Static De-List Bid.

III.13.1.2.3.1.2. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.3.1.3. Export Bids.
An Existing Generating Capacity Resource within the New England Control Area other than an Intermittent Power Resource, an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource or a Renewable Technology Resource seeking to export all or part of its capacity during a Capacity Commitment Period may submit an Export Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. An Export Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. All Export Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5. Export Bids at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold are subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and must include the additional information described in that Section. Each Export Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs) associated with a specific Existing Generating Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. Each price-quantity pair must be less than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for each Export Bid must also specify the interface over which the capacity will be exported. Export Bids shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(b).

III.13.1.2.3.1.4. Administrative Export De-List Bids.
An Existing Generating Capacity Resource other than an Intermittent Power Resource, an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource or a Renewable Technology Resource subject to a multiyear contract to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the Capacity Commitment Period that either: (i)
cleared as an Export Bid in a previous Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period within the duration of the contract; or (ii) entered into a contract prior to April 30, 2007 to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the Capacity Commitment Period, may submit an Administrative Export De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. An Administrative Export De-List Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. Unless reviewed as an Export Bid in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, an Administrative Export De-List Bid is subject to a reliability review prior to clearing in a Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor in the first Forward Capacity Auction in which it participates, pursuant to Section III.13.1.7. Both the reliability review and the review by the Internal Market Monitor shall be conducted once and shall remain valid for the multiyear contract period. Each Administrative Export De-List Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, must be associated with a specific Existing Generating Capacity Resource, and must indicate the quantity of capacity subject to the bid. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for each Administrative Export De-List Bid must also specify the interface over which the capacity will be exported, and must include documentation demonstrating a contractual obligation to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the whole Capacity Commitment Period. Administrative Export De-List Bids shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.4.

III.13.1.2.3.1.5. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(a) A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource seeking to specify a price at or below which it would not accept a Capacity Supply Obligation permanently for all or part of a Generating Capacity Resource beginning at the start of a particular Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Permanent De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process.

(b) A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource seeking to specify a price at or below which it would retire all or part of a Generating Capacity Resource from all New England Markets beginning at the start of a particular Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Retirement De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process.
(c) No Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid may result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit unless the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is for the entire resource. Each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Retirement Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs) associated with a specific Existing Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids are subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1 and must include the additional documentation described in that section. Once submitted, no Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid may be withdrawn, except as provided in Section III.13.1.2.4.1.

III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1. Reliability Review of Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids During the Qualification Process.

During the qualification process, the ISO will review the following de-list bids to determine if the resource is needed for reliability: (1) Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bids and Internal Market Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bids that are at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price; and (2) Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for which the Lead Market Participant has opted to have the resource reviewed for reliability as described in Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b). The reliability review will be conducted according to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, except as follows:

(a) Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids that cannot be priced (for example, due to the expiration of an operating license) will be reviewed first.

(b) System needs associated with Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for resources found needed for reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 will be reviewed with the Reliability Committee no later than 30 days after the ISO submits to the Commission the retirement filing described in Section III.13.8.1(a). The Lead Market Participant shall be notified as soon as practicable following the ISO’s consultation with the Reliability Committee that the capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is needed for reliability reasons.

(c) If the capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is needed for reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, the de-list bid shall be rejected and the
resource shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c) and compensated according to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, unless the resource declines to be retained for reliability, as provided in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).

(d) No later than 10 Business Days after being informed that a resource is needed for reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, a Lead Market Participant may notify the ISO that it declines to provide the associated capacity for reliability. Such an election will be binding. A resource for which a Lead Market Participant has made such an election will not be eligible for compensation pursuant to Sections III.13.2.5.2.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5.2.

(e) Where a resource is determined not to be needed for reliability or where a Lead Market Participant notifies the ISO that it declines to provide capacity for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d), the capacity associated with the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid will be treated as follows:

(i) For a Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, or a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for which a Lead Market Participant has elected to retire the resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a), the portion of the resource subject to the de-list bid will be retired as permitted by applicable law coincident with the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the de-list bid was submitted, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a).

(ii) For a Permanent De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the portion of the resource subject to the de-list bid will be permanently de-listed coincident with the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the de-list bid was submitted, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b).

(iii) For a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for which a Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the de-list bid will be continue to receive conditional treatment as described in Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii), and Section III.13.2.5.2.1.
III.13.1.2.3.1.6. **Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for Existing Generating Capacity Resources at Stations having Common Costs.**

Where Existing Generating Capacity Resources at a Station having Common Costs elect to submit Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, or Retirement De-List Bids, the provisions of this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.6 shall apply.

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.1. **Submission of Cost Data.**

In addition to the information required elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.2.3, Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, or Retirement De-List Bids submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs and seeking to delist must include detailed cost data to allow the ISO to determine the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for each asset associated with the Station and the Station Going Forward Common Costs.

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.2. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.3. **Internal Market Monitor Review of Stations having Common Costs.**

The Internal Market Monitor will review each Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bids from an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs pursuant to the following methodology:

(i) Calculate the average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs of each asset at the Station.

(ii) Order the assets from highest average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs to lowest average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs; this is the preferred de-list order.

(iii) Calculate and assign to each asset a station cost that is equal to the average cost of the assets remaining at the Station, including Station Going Forward Common Costs, assuming the successive delisting of each individual asset in preferred de-list order.

(iv) Calculate a set of composite costs that is equal to the maximum of the cost associated with each asset as calculated in (i) and (iii) above.
The Internal Market Monitor will adjust the set of composite costs to ensure a monotonically non-increasing set of bids as follows: any asset with a composite cost that is greater than the composite cost of the asset with the lowest composite cost and that has average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs that are less than its composite costs will have its composite cost set equal to that of the asset with the lowest composite cost. The bids of the asset with the lowest composite cost and of any assets whose composite costs are so adjusted will be considered a single non-rationable bid for use in the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Internal Market Monitor will compare a de-list bid developed using the adjusted composite costs to the de-list bid submitted by the Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs. If the Internal Market Monitor determines that the submitted de-list bid is less than or equal to the bid developed using the adjusted composite costs, then the bid shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b). If the Internal Market Monitor determines that the submitted de-list bid is greater than the bid developed using the adjusted composite costs or is not consistent with the submitted supporting cost data, then the Internal Market Monitor will establish an Internal Market Monitor-determined or Internal Market Monitor–accepted price for the bid as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.

III.13.1.2.3.3.2. Review by Internal Market Monitor of Bids from Existing Capacity Resources.

The Internal Market Monitor shall review bids for Existing Capacity Resources as follows.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1. Static De-List Bids and Export Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, and Retirement De-List Bids at or Above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold.

The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Static De-List Bid and each Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold to determine whether the bid is consistent with: (1) the Existing Capacity Resource’s net going forward costs (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.A); (2) reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3); (3) reasonable risk premium assumptions (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.4); and (4) the resource’s reasonable opportunity costs (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.5).

The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Permanent De-List Bid greater than 20 MW that is above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold and each Retirement De-List Bid greater than 20 MW that is above
the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold to determine whether the bid is consistent with: (1) the net present value of the resource’s expected cash flows (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B); (2) reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3); and (3) the resource’s reasonable opportunity costs (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.5). If more than one Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is submitted by a single Lead Market Participant or its Affiliates (as used in Section III.A.24), the Internal Market Monitor shall review each such bid above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold if the sum of all such bids above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold is greater than 20 MW. The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Permanent De-List Bid and each Retirement De-List Bid submitted at any price pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.1(b) if the sum of the Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids submitted by the Lead Market Participant or its Affiliates (as used in Section III.A.24) is greater than 20 MW. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids that are not reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall be included in the retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a) and in the filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(a).

Sufficient documentation and information about each bid component must be included in the Existing Capacity Retirement Package or the Existing Capacity Qualification Package to allow the Internal Market Monitor to make the requisite determinations. If a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is submitted pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.1(b), all relevant updates to previously submitted documentation and information must be provided to support the newly submitted price and allow the Internal Market Monitor to make updated determinations. The updated information may include a request to discontinue the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid such that it will not be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction, in which case the update must include sufficient supporting information on the nature of resource investments that were undertaken, or other materially changed circumstances, to allow the Internal Market Monitor to determine whether discontinuation is appropriate.

The entire de-list submittal shall be accompanied by an affidavit executed by a corporate officer attesting to the accuracy of its content, including reported costs, the reasonableness of the estimates and adjustments of costs that would otherwise be avoided if the resource were not required to meet the obligations of a listed resource, and the reasonableness of the expectations and assumptions regarding Capacity Performance Payments, cash flows, opportunity costs, and risk premiums, and shall be subject to audit upon request by the ISO.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1. Internal Market Monitor Review of De-List Bids.
The Internal Market Monitor may seek additional information from the Lead Market Participant (including information about the other existing or potential new resources controlled by the Lead Market Participant) after the qualification deadline to address any questions or concerns regarding the data submitted, as appropriate. The Internal Market Monitor shall review all relevant information (including data, studies, and assumptions) to determine whether the bid is consistent with the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs. In making this determination, the Internal Market Monitor shall consider, among other things, industry standards, market conditions (including published indices and projections), resource-specific characteristics and conditions, portfolio size, and consistency of assumptions across that portfolio.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.1. Review of Static De-List Bids and Export Bids.
If the Internal Market Monitor determines, after due consideration and consultation with the Lead Market Participant, as appropriate, that a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid is not consistent with the sum of the resource’s net going forward costs plus reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments plus reasonable risk premium assumptions plus reasonable opportunity costs, then the Internal Market Monitor will establish an Internal Market Monitor-determined price for the bid that is consistent with its determination of the foregoing. If an Internal Market Monitor-determined price is established for a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, both the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4 and the informational filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(c) shall include an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-determined price based on the Internal Market Monitor review and the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs as determined by the Internal Market Monitor.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2. Review of Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.
The Internal Market Monitor shall review those Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids identified in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1 and, after due consideration and consultation with the Lead Market Participant, as appropriate, shall develop an Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bid or an Internal Market Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid. The Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bid and Internal Market Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid shall be equal to the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant unless
the de-list bid price(s) submitted by the Lead Market Participant are more than 10% greater than the Internal Market Monitor-accepted de-list bid price(s) for the same de-list bid. If the de-list bid price(s) submitted by the Lead Market Participant are more than 10% greater than the Internal Market Monitor-accepted de-list bid price(s), the Internal Market Monitor shall calculate an Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bid or Internal Market-Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid that is consistent with the sum of the net present value of the resource’s expected cash flows plus reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments plus reasonable opportunity costs.

The retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a) and the filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(a) shall include an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-accepted price and the Internal Market Monitor determination on any request to discontinue the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid.

III.13.2.3.1.2.1.2.A. Static De-List Bid and Export Bid Net Going Forward Costs.

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall report net going forward costs in a manner and format specified by the Internal Market Monitor, and may supplement this information with other evidence. A Static De-List Bid or Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold shall be considered consistent with the Existing Capacity Resource’s net going forward costs based on a review of the data submitted in the following formula. To the extent possible, all costs and operational data used in this calculation shall be the cumulative actual data for the Existing Capacity Resource from the most recent full Capacity Commitment Period available.

\[
\frac{GFC - (IMR - PER)}{InfIndex} \times CQ_{Summer, \text{kw}} \times (12, \text{months})
\]

Where:

\(GFC\) = annual going forward costs, in dollars. These are costs that might otherwise be avoided or not incurred if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Period (i.e., maintaining a constant condition of being ready to respond to commitment and dispatch orders). Costs that are not avoidable in a single Capacity Commitment Period
and costs associated with the production of energy are not to be included. Service of debt is not a going forward cost. Staffing, maintenance, capital expenses, and other normal expenses that would be avoided only in the absence of a Capacity Supply Obligation may be included. Staffing, maintenance, capital expenses, and other normal expenses that would be avoided only if the resource were not participating in the energy and ancillary services markets may not be included, except in the case of a resource that has indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period. To the extent that the Capacity Commitment Period data used to calculate these data do not reflect known and measurable costs that would or are likely to be incurred in the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, the Internal Market Monitor shall also consider adjustments submitted, provided the costs are based on known and measurable conditions and supported by appropriate documentation to reflect those costs.

\[ C_{\text{SummKw}} = \text{capacity seeking to de-list in kW. In no case shall this value exceed the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity.} \]

IMR = annual infra-marginal rents, in dollars. In the case of a resource that has indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period, this value shall be calculated by subtracting all submitted cost data representing the cumulative actual cost of production (total expenses related to the production of energy, e.g. fuel, actual consumables such as chemicals and water, and, if quantified, incremental labor and maintenance) from the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s total ISO market revenues. In the case of a resource that has not indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period, this value shall be $0.00. As soon as practicable, the resource’s total ISO market revenues used in this calculation shall be calculated by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant upon request.

PER = resource-specific annual peak energy rents, in dollars. As soon as practicable, this value shall be calculated by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant upon request.

At the option of the Lead Market Participant, the cumulative production costs for each of the most recent three Capacity Commitment Periods may be submitted and the annual infra-marginal rents calculated for each year. The Lead Market Participant may then specify two of the three years to be averaged and
subsequently used as the IMR value. Upon exercising such option, the PER value used shall be an average of the PER values for the two years selected.

\[ \text{InfIndex} = \text{inflation index. infIndex} = (1 + i)^4 \]

Where: “\( i \)” is the most recent reported 4-Year expected inflation number published by the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland at the beginning of the qualification period. The specific value to be used shall be specified by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant.

**III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid Net Present Value of Expected Cash Flows.**

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall report all expected costs, revenues, prices, discount rates and capital expenditures in a manner and format specified by the Internal Market Monitor, and may supplement this information with other evidence. The Internal Market Monitor will review the Lead Market Participant’s submitted data to ensure that it is consistent with overall market conditions and reflects expected values.

The Internal Market Monitor will adjust any data that are inconsistent with overall market conditions or do not reflect expected values. The Internal Market Monitor shall enter all relevant expected costs, revenues, prices, discount rates and capital expenditures into a capital budgeting model and shall determine the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s expected cash flows as follows:

The net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s expected cash flows is equal to (i) the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flows over the resource’s remaining economic life (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.C) plus the net present value of the resource’s expected terminal value, using the resource’s discount rate, divided by (ii) the product of the resource’s Qualified Capacity (in kilowatts) and 12 months.

The Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flow for the first Capacity Commitment Period of the resource’s remaining economic life is the resource’s expected annual net operating profit excluding expected capacity revenues less its expected capital expenditures in the Capacity Commitment Period.
The Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flow for each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life is the resource’s expected annual net operating profit less its expected capital expenditures in the Capacity Commitment Period.

Where:

**Expected net operating profit**, in dollars, is the Lead Market Participant’s expected annual profit that might otherwise be avoided or not accrued if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Period. Expected labor, maintenance, taxes, insurance, administrative and other normal expenses that can be avoided or not incurred if the resource is retired or permanently de-listed may be included. Service of debt is not an avoidable cost and may not be included.

**Expected capacity revenues**, in dollars, are the forecasted annual expected capacity revenues based on the Lead Market Participant’s forecasted expected capacity prices for each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life. The Lead Market Participant shall provide the Internal Market Monitor with documentation supporting the forecasted expected capacity prices. The supporting documentation must include a detailed description and sources of the Lead Market Participant’s assumptions about expected resource additions, resource retirements, estimated Installed Capacity Requirements, estimated Local Sourcing Requirements, expected market conditions, and any other assumptions used to develop the forecasted expected capacity price in each Capacity Commitment Period.

If the Internal Market Monitor determines the Lead Market Participant has not provided adequate supporting documentation for the forecasted expected capacity prices, the Internal Market Monitor will replace the Lead Market Participant’s forecasted expected capacity prices with the Internal Market Monitor’s estimate thereof in each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life.

**Expected capital expenditures**, in dollars, are the Lead Market Participant’s expected capital investments that might otherwise be avoided or not incurred if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Periods.

**Expected terminal value**, in dollars, for resources with five years or less of remaining economic life, is
the Lead Market Participant’s expected revenue less expected costs associated with retiring or permanently de-listing the resource. For resources with more than five years of remaining economic life, the expected terminal value in the fifth year of the evaluation period is the Lead Market Participant’s expected revenue less expected costs associated with retiring or permanently de-listing the resource at the end of the resource’s economic life plus the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flows from the sixth year of the evaluation period through the end of the resource’s remaining economic life, using the resource’s discount rate.

**Discount rate** is a value reflecting the Lead Market Participant’s weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted to reflect the risk to cash flows calculated pursuant to the net present value of expected cash flows analysis in this Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B.

The Lead Market Participant shall provide the Internal Market Monitor with documentation supporting the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk. The supporting documentation must include a detailed description and sources of the Lead Market Participant’s assumptions associated with the cost of capital, risks and any other assumptions used to develop the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk. If the Internal Market Monitor determines the Lead Market Participant has not provided adequate supporting documentation for the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk, the Lead Market Participant has included risks not associated with cash flows calculated pursuant to the net present value of expected cash flows analysis in this Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B or the Lead Market Participant has submitted costs, revenues, capital expenditures or prices that are not reflective of expected values, the Internal Market Monitor will replace the Lead Market Participant’s discount rate with a value determined by the Internal Market Monitor.

**III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.C Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid Calculation of Remaining Economic Life.**

The Internal Market Monitor shall calculate the Existing Capacity Resource’s remaining economic life, using evaluation periods ranging from one to five years. For each evaluation period, the Internal Market Monitor will calculate the net present value of (a) the annual expected net operating profit minus annual expected capital expenditures assuming the Capacity Clearing Price for the first year is equal to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price and (b) the expected terminal value of the resource at the end of the given evaluation period. The economic life is the maximum evaluation period in which a resource’s net present value is non-negative.
III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3.  **Expected Capacity Performance Payments.**

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall also provide documentation separately detailing the expected Capacity Performance Payments for the resource. This documentation must include expectations regarding the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio, the number of hours of reserve deficiency, and the resource’s performance during reserve deficiencies.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.4.  **Risk Premium.**

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid, or an Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall also provide documentation separately detailing any risk premium included in the bid. This documentation should address all components of physical and financial risk reflected in the bid, including, for example, catastrophic events, a higher than expected amount of reserve deficiencies, and performing scheduled maintenance during reserve deficiencies. Any risk that can be quantified and analytically supported and that is not already reflected in the formula for net going forward costs described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.A may be included in this risk premium component. In support of the resource’s risk premium, the Lead Market Participant may also submit an affidavit from a corporate officer attesting that the risk premium submitted is the minimum necessary to ensure that the overall level of risk associated with the resource’s participation in the Forward Capacity Market is consistent with the participant’s corporate risk management practices.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.5.  **Opportunity Costs.**

To the extent that an Existing Capacity Resource submitting a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold has additional opportunity costs that are not reflected in the net going forward costs, net present value of expected cash flows, expected Capacity Performance Payments, discount rate, or risk premium components of the bid, the Lead Market Participant must include in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package evidence supporting such costs. Opportunity costs associated with major repairs necessary to restore decreases in capacity as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.4, capital projects required to operate the plant as a capacity resource or other uses of the resource shall be considered, provided such costs are substantiated by evidence of a repair plan, documented business plan and fundamental market analysis, or
other independent and transparent trading index or indices as applicable. Substantiation of opportunity costs relying on sales in reconfiguration auctions or risk aversion premiums shall not be considered sufficient justification.

III.13.1.2.3.2.2. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.3.2.3. Administrative Export De-List Bids.
The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Administrative Export De-List Bid associated with a multi-year contract entered into prior to April 30, 2007 in the first Forward Capacity Auction in which it clears. An Administrative Export De-List Bid shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).

III.13.1.2.3.2.4. Static De-List Bids for Reductions in Ratings Due to Ambient Air Conditions.
A Lead Market Participant may submit a Static De-List Bid for up to the megawatt amount that the Lead Market Participant expects will not be physically available due to the difference between the summer Qualified Capacity at 90 degrees and the expected rating of the resource at 100 degrees. The ISO shall verify during the qualification process that the rating is accurate. Such Static De-List Bids may be entered into the Forward Capacity Market at prices up to and including the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, subject to validation of the physical limit. Static De-List Bids for reductions in ratings due to ambient air conditions shall not be subject to the review described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and need not include documentation for that purpose.

III.13.1.2.3.2.5. Static De-List Bid Incremental Capital Expenditure Recovery Schedule.
Except as described below, the Internal Market Monitor shall review all Static De-List Bids using the following cost recovery schedule for incremental capital expenditures, which assumes an annual pre-tax weighted average cost of capital of 10 percent.

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A Market Participant may request that a different pre-tax weighted average cost of capital be used to determine the resource’s annual rate of capital cost recovery by submitting the request, along with supporting documentation, in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package. The Internal Market Monitor shall review the request and supporting documentation and may, at its sole discretion, replace the annual rate of capital cost recovery from the table above with a resource-specific value based on an adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital. If the Internal Market Monitor uses an adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital for the resource, then the resource’s annual rate of capital cost recovery will be determined according to the following formula:

$$\frac{Cost\ Of\ Capital}{(1- (1+Cost\ Of\ Capital)^{-\text{Remaining\ Life}})}$$

Where:
Cost Of Capital = the adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital.

Remaining Life = the remaining life of the existing resource, based on the age of the resource, as indicated in the table above.

### III.13.1.2.3.1. Retirement Determination Notification for Existing Capacity and Qualification Determination Notification for Existing Capacity.

(a) No later than 90 days after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO shall send notification to the Lead Market Participant that submitted each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid concerning the result of the Internal Market Monitor’s review conducted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2. This retirement determination notification shall not include the results of the reliability review pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5.

(b) No later than 127 days before the Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to the Lead Market Participant that submitted each Static De-List Bid and Export Bid concerning the result.
of the Internal Market Monitor’s de-list bid review conducted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2. The qualification determination shall not include the results of the reliability review pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.

III.13.1.2.4.1. Participant-Elected Retirement or Conditional Treatment.
No later than ten Business Days after the issuance by the ISO of the retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a), a Lead Market Participant that submitted a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid may make an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b). If the Lead Market Participant does not make an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the prices provided by the Internal Market Monitor in the retirement determination notifications shall be the finalized prices used in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b) (unless otherwise directed by the Commission).

(a) A Lead Market Participant may elect to retire the resource, or portion thereof, for which it has submitted a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid subject to this election will not be subject to reliability review and will be retired pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a); provided, however, that when making the retirement election pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) the Lead Market Participant may opt to have the resource reviewed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, in which case the Lead Market Participant may have the opportunity (but will not be obligated) to provide capacity from the resource if the ISO determines that the resource is needed for reliability reasons, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).

(b) A Lead Market Participant may elect conditional treatment for the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid subject to this election will be treated as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii), Section III.13.2.5.2.1, and Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3; provided, however, that in making this election the Lead Market Participant may opt to have the resource reviewed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, in which case the Lead Market Participant may have the opportunity (but will not be obligated) to provide capacity from the resource if the ISO determines that the resource is needed for reliability reasons, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).
III.13.1.2.5. **Optional Existing Capacity Qualification Package for New Generating Capacity Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.**

A resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) may elect to submit an Existing Capacity Qualification Package in addition to the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and New Capacity Qualification Package that it is required to submit pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2. The bids contained in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.5 must clearly indicate which New Generating Capacity Resource the Existing Capacity Qualification Package is associated with, and if accepted in accordance with Section III.13.1.2.3, would only be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction where: (i) the new resource is not accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2; or (ii) no offer from that New Generating Capacity Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(e). An Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.5 must conform in all other respects to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.2.

III.13.1.3. **Import Capacity.**

The qualification requirements for import capacity shall depend on whether the import capacity is an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource. Both Existing Import Capacity Resources and New Import Capacity Resources clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction must be backed by one or more External Resources or by an external Control Area throughout the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. An external Demand Resource may not be an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource. External nodes shall be established and mapped to Capacity Zones pursuant to the provisions in Attachment K to Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

An Elective Transmission Upgrade with an Interconnection Request for Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service under Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be included in the FCM (1) after it has established a contractual association with an Import Capacity Resource and that Import Capacity Resource has met the Forward Capacity Market qualification requirements or (2) after it has met the requirements of an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Long Lead Time Facility treatment pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. An external node for such an Elective Transmission Upgrade will be modeled for participation in the Forward Capacity Market after the Import Capacity Resource meets the requirements
to participate in the FCA. The Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade shall not exceed the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request. In order for an Elective Transmission Upgrade to maintain its Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service, an associated Import Capacity Resource must meet the Forward Capacity Market qualification requirements and offer into each Forward Capacity Auction. Otherwise, the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service will revert to Network Import Interconnection Service for the portion of the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service for which no Import Capacity Resource is offered into the Forward Capacity Auction and the Elective Transmission Upgrade’s Interconnection Agreement will be revised. The provisions in Sections III.13.1.3.5.4, permitting a Capacity Commitment Period Election, and in Section III.13.1.3.5.8, permitting a rationing election, shall apply to a New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade seeking to reestablish Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service if the threshold to be treated as a new resource in Section III.13.1.1.1.4 is met. If the threshold to be treated as a new increment in Section III.13.1.1.1.3 is met, only the increment will be eligible for the provisions in Sections III.13.1.3.5.4, permitting a Capacity Commitment Period Election, and in Section III.13.1.3.5.8, permitting a rationing election.

III.13.1.3.1. Definition of Existing Import Capacity Resource.
Capacity associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for a period including the whole Capacity Commitment Period, or capacity from an External Resource that is owned or directly controlled by the Lead Market Participant and which is committed for at least two whole consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods by the Lead Market Participant in the New Capacity Qualification Package, shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as an Existing Import Capacity Resource, except that if that Existing Import Capacity Resource has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then the import capacity shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.3.2. Qualified Capacity for Existing Import Capacity Resources.
The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Import Capacity Resource shall be based on the data provided to the ISO during the qualification process, subject to ISO review and verification.

The qualified capacity for the Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with the VJO and NYPA contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) as of the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2014
shall be equal to the lesser of the stated amount in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) or the median amount of the energy delivered from the Existing Import Capacity Resource during the New England system coincident peak over the previous five Capacity Commitment Periods at the time of qualification.

III.13.1.3.3.A Qualification Process for Existing Import Capacity Resources that are not associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service.

Existing Import Capacity Resources shall be subject to the same qualification process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3, except as follows:

(a) The Qualified Capacity shall be the lesser of the multi-year contract values as documented in the new resource qualification determination notification and the capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction to which the new resource qualification determination notification applied.

(b) The rationing election described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1 shall not apply.

(c) The Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in the table below may qualify to receive the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3 for the duration of the contracts as listed. For each Forward Capacity Auction after the first Forward Capacity Auction, in order for an Existing Import Capacity Resource associated with a contract listed below to qualify for the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3, no later than 15 Business Days prior to the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the Market Participant submitting the Existing Import Capacity Resource must also submit to the ISO documentation verifying that the contract will remain in effect throughout the Capacity Commitment Period and that it has not been amended. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in the table below are qualified to receive the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3.

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In addition to the review described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2, the Internal Market Monitor shall review each bid from Existing Import Capacity Resources. A bid from an Existing Import Capacity Resource shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).

III.13.1.3.3.B. Qualification Process for Existing Import Capacity Resources that are associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Import Interconnection Service. Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be subject to the same qualification process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources as described in Section III.13.1.2.3, except the Qualified Capacity shall be the lesser of the multi-year contract values as documented in the new resource qualification determination notification and the capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction to which the new resource qualification determination notification applied.

III.13.1.3.4. Definition of New Import Capacity Resource. Capacity not associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside the New England Control Area for the whole Capacity Commitment Period, but that meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.3.5.1, shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource. For capacity associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside the New England Control Area for a period including the whole Capacity Commitment Period, or capacity from an External Resource that is owned or directly controlled by the Lead Market Participant and which is committed for at least two whole consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods by the Lead Market Participant in the New Capacity Qualification Package, if the import capacity has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then the import capacity shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource.
III.13.1.3.5. Qualification Process for New Import Capacity Resources.
The qualification process for a New Import Capacity Resource, whether backed by a new External Resource, by one or more existing External Resources, or by an external Control Area, shall be the same as the qualification process for a New Generating Capacity Resource, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2, except as follows:

III.13.1.3.5.1. Documentation of Import.
(a) For each New Import Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor submitting the import capacity must also submit: (i) documentation of a one-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract; (ii) documentation of a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the contract period including the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract; (iii) proof of ownership or direct control over one or more External Resources that will be used to back the New Import Capacity Resource during the Capacity Commitment Period, including information to establish the summer and winter ratings of the resource(s) backing the import; or (iv) documentation for system-backed import capacity that the import capacity will be supported by the Control Area and that the energy associated with that system-backed import capacity will be afforded the same curtailment priority as that Control Area’s native load. For each New Import Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must specify the interface over which the capacity will be imported. The Project Sponsor must indicate whether the import is associated with any investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with an Interconnection Request for Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. The Project Sponsor must submit a contract confirming its association with the Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer and the ISO will confirm that relationship. If the import will be backed by a single new External Resource, the Project Sponsor submitting the import capacity must also submit a general description of the project’s equipment configuration, including a description of the resource type (such as those listed in the table in Section III.A.21.1 or some other type).
(b) To qualify for Capacity Commitment Periods prior to the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for which the import capacity is qualifying, the Project Sponsor must submit documentation of one or more one-year contracts for each prior Capacity Commitment Period, entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract(s); the Project Sponsor must also satisfy the relevant requirements of Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(a), III.13.1.3.5.2, III.13.1.9, and III.13.3.1.1.

III.13.1.3.5.2. Import Backed by Existing External Resources.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by one or more External Resources existing at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall not apply, and the Project Sponsor shall instead submit a description of how the New Import Capacity Resource will meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period(s) for which it seeks to qualify.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by one or more External Resources existing at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall apply in addition to the requirement that the Project Sponsor submit a description of how the New Import Capacity Resource will meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period(s) for which it seeks to qualify.

The description must indicate specifically which External Resources will back the New Import Capacity Resource during the Capacity Commitment Period, and if those External Resources are not owned or controlled directly by the Project Sponsor, the description must include a commitment that the External Resources will have sufficient capacity that is not obligated outside the New England Control Area to fully satisfy the New Import Capacity Resource’s potential Capacity Supply Obligation during the Capacity Commitment Period and demonstrate how that commitment will be met.

III.13.1.3.5.3. Imports Backed by an External Control Area.
If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by an external Control Area and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall not apply, and the Project Sponsor shall instead submit system load and capacity projections for the external Control Area showing sufficient excess capacity during the Capacity Commitment Period to back the New Import Capacity Resource.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by an external Control Area and the capacity will be imported over an Elective Transmission Upgrade and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall apply in addition to the requirement that the Project Sponsor submit system load and capacity projections for the external Control Area showing sufficient excess capacity during the Capacity Commitment Period to back the New Import Capacity Resource for the length of the multi-year contract.

III.13.1.3.5.3.1. Imports Crossing Intervening Control Areas.

The preceding rules define requirements associated with the import of capacity from a Control Area, or resources located in a Control Area, directly adjacent to the New England Control Area. Imports of capacity from a Control Area or resources located in a Control Area where such import crosses an intervening Control Area or Control Areas shall comply with the following additional requirements: (1) For imports crossing a single intervening Control Area, the Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate, as detailed in the ISO New England Manuals, that the remote Control Area will afford the energy export to the adjacent intervening Control Area the same curtailment priority as its native load, that the adjacent intervening Control Area has procedures in place to explicitly recognize the linkage between the import and re-export of energy in support of the import contract, and that the energy export to the ISO will not be curtailed (except pro-rata with a curtailment of native load) so long as the linked import is flowing. (2) For imports crossing more than one intervening Control Area, in addition to the requirements above, the Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate, as detailed in the ISO New England Manuals, by the New Capacity Qualification Deadline, that explicit market and operating procedures exist among the intervening Control Areas to ensure that the energy required to be delivered to the New England Control Area will be guaranteed the same curtailment priority as the intervening native loads, and that none of the intervening Control Areas will curtail the transaction except
in conjunction with a curtailment of native load. (3) The Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate that capacity it supplies to the New England Control Area will not be recalled or curtailed to satisfy the load of the external Control Area, or that the external Control Area in which it is located will afford New England Control Area load the same curtailment priority that it affords its own Control Area native load.

III.13.1.3.5.4. Capacity Commitment Period Election.
The provisions regarding Capacity Commitment Period election (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4) shall only apply to a New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request. All other New Import Capacity Resources clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction shall have a Capacity Supply Obligation and shall receive payments only for the one-year Capacity Commitment Period associated with that Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.3.5.5. Initial Interconnection Analysis.
The provisions regarding initial interconnection analysis (Section III.13.1.1.2.3) shall not apply unless the capacity will be imported over an Elective Transmission Upgrade pursuing Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.3.5.5.A. Cost Information.
The offer information described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3 and Section III.A.21.2 may be submitted in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs) associated with a specific New Import Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. Each price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that Section.

III.13.1.3.5.6. Review by Internal Market Monitor of Offers from New Import Capacity Resources.
In addition to the review described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3 and Section III.A.21, the Internal Market Monitor shall review each offer from New Import Capacity Resources. An offer from a New Import
Capacity Resource shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).

III.13.1.3.5.7. Qualification Determination Notification for New Import Capacity Resources.
For New Import Capacity Resources, the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8 shall be modified to reflect the differences in the qualification process described in this Section III.13.1.3.5.

No later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, a Lead Market Participant with a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is (i) backed by a single new External Resource and associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, or (ii) associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) that submitted a request to submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices that are below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price as described in Sections III.13.1.1.2.2.3 and III.13.1.3.5 may: (a) lower the requested offer price of any price-quantity pair submitted to the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3, provided that the revised price is greater than or equal to the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, or (b) withdraw any price-quantity pair of a requested offer price.

III.13.1.3.5.8. Rationing Election.
New Import Capacity Resources are subject to rationing except New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request, which are eligible for the rationing election described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3(b).

III.13.1.4. Demand Resources.

III.13.1.4.1. Demand Resources.
To participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a Demand Resource, a resource must meet the requirements of this Section III.13.1.4.1. No resource shall be permitted to qualify or participate in the
For purposes of this Section III.13.1.4, references to the Lead Market Participant for a resource shall include the Enrolling Participant for a Demand Resource.

III.13.1.4.1.1. Existing Demand Resources.
Demand Resources that previously have been in service and registered with the ISO, and which are not otherwise New Demand Resources, shall be Existing Demand Resources. Existing Demand Resources shall include and are limited to Demand Resources that have been in service and registered with the ISO to fulfill a Capacity Supply Obligation created by clearing in a past Forward Capacity Auction before the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction. Except as specified in Section III.13.1.4.1, Existing Demand Resources shall be subject to the same qualification process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3. Existing Demand Resources shall be subject to Section III.13.1.2.2.5.2. An Existing Demand Resource may submit a
Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5, provided, however, that neither a Permanent De-List Bid nor a Retirement De-List Bid shall be used as a mechanism to inappropriately qualify assets associated with Existing Demand Resources as New Demand Resources. Existing Demand Resources may de-list consistent with Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1. Existing Demand Response Capacity Resources shall be subject to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1.

III.13.1.4.1.2. New Demand Resources.
A New Demand Resource is a Demand Resource that has not been in service prior to the applicable Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the Forward Capacity Auction, or Distributed Generation that has operated only to address an electric power outage due to failure of the electrical supply, on-site disaster, local equipment failure, or public service emergencies such as flood, fire, or natural disaster, or excessive deviations from standard voltage from the electrical supplier to the premises during the 12-month period prior to the applicable Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the Forward Capacity Auction, and is not an Existing Demand Resource. A Demand Resource that has previously been defined as an Existing Demand Resource shall be considered a New Demand Resource if it meets one of the conditions listed in Section III.13.1.1.1.2.

III.13.1.4.1.2.1. Qualified Capacity of New Demand Resources.
For Forward Capacity Auctions a New Demand Resource shall have a summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity based on the resource’s Demand Reduction Values as submitted and reviewed pursuant to this Section III.13.1.4.

The documentation, analysis, studies and methodologies used to support the estimates described in this Section III.13.1.4.1.2.1 must be submitted as part of the Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.1.2.2. Initial Analysis for Certain New Demand Resources
For each New Demand Resource that is a Demand Response Capacity Resource, the ISO shall perform an analysis based on the information provided in the New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form to determine the amount of capacity that the resource could provide by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period. This analysis shall be performed consistent with the criteria and conditions described in ISO New England Planning Procedures. Where, as a result of this analysis, the ISO determines that because of overlapping interconnection impacts, such a New Demand Resource that is
otherwise accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1 cannot deliver any of the capacity that it would otherwise be able to provide (in the absence of the other relevant Existing Capacity Resources), then that New Demand Resource will not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.2. Show of Interest Form for New Demand Resources.

For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form as described in this Section III.13.1.4.2 during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, as described in Section III.13.1.10. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. The New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form is available on the ISO website.

(a) A completed New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form shall include, but is not limited to, the following information: project name; Load Zone within which the Demand Resource project will be located; the Dispatch Zone within which a Demand Response Capacity Resource will be located; estimated summer and winter Demand Reduction Values (MW) per measure and/or per customer facility (measured at the customer meter and not including losses) expected to be achieved five weeks prior to the first and second annual Forward Capacity Auctions after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award would be made, if applicable, and on the Commercial Operation date; estimated total summer and winter Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project; supporting documentation (e.g., engineering estimates or documentation of verified savings from comparable projects) to substantiate the reasonableness of the estimated Demand Reduction Values; Demand Resource type (On-Peak Demand Resource, Seasonal Peak Demand Resource, or Demand Response Capacity Resource); brief Demand Resource project description including measure type (i.e., Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and/or Distributed Generation); types of facilities at which the measures will be implemented; customer classes and end-uses served; expected Commercial Operation date – i.e., the date by which the Project Sponsor expects to reach Commercial Operation (Commercial Operation for a Demand Resource shall mean the demonstration to the ISO by the Project Sponsor that the Demand Resource described in the Project Sponsor's New Demand Resource Qualification Package has achieved its full Demand Reduction Value); ISO Market Participant status and ISO customer identification (if applicable); status under Schedules 22 or 23 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (if applicable); project/technical and credit/financial contacts; and for individual Distributed Generation projects and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand
Reduction Value equal to or greater than 5 MW, the Pnode and service address at which the end-use facility is located; capability and experience of the Project Sponsor.

III.13.1.4.2.1. **Qualification Package for Existing Demand Resources.**
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as an Existing Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit an Existing Capacity Qualification Package no later than the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for an Existing Demand Resource shall conform to the requirements of Section III.13.1.4.1. All Existing Demand Resources must provide a Measurement and Verification Plan which complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.2. **Qualification Package for New Demand Resources.**
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Demand Resource Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. The New Demand Resource Qualification Package shall conform to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.4.2.2. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project.

III.13.1.4.2.2.1. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.2.2.2. **Source of Funding.**
The Project Sponsor must provide source of funding which includes, but is not limited to, the following information: The source(s) of public benefits funding or private financing, or a funding plan supplemented by information on how previous projects were funded; A completed ISO credit application.

III.13.1.4.2.2.3. **Measurement and Verification Plan.**
For all Demand Resources other than Demand Response Capacity Resources, the Project Sponsor must provide a Measurement and Verification Plan which complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3, Section III.8A and III.8B and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4. **Customer Acquisition Plan.**
A Project Sponsor with more than a single customer must provide a description of its plan to acquire customers that includes, but is not limited to, the following information: a description of proposed customer market; the estimated size of target market and supporting documentation; a marketing plan with supporting documentation describing the manner in which customers will be recruited; and evidence supporting the viability of the marketing plan.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4.1. **Individual Distributed Generation Projects and Demand Resource Projects From a Single Facility With A Demand Reduction Value Greater Than or Equal to 5 MW.**

For individual Distributed Generation projects and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand Reduction Value greater than or equal to 5 MW the critical path schedule requirements and the monitoring and milestones are the same as those required for New Generating Capacity Resources as set forth in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4.2. **Demand Resource Projects Involving Multiple Facilities and Demand Resource Projects From a Single Facility With A Demand Reduction Value Less Than 5 MW.**

A critical path schedule for Demand Resource projects installed at multiple facilities and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand Reduction Value of less than 5 MW shall be comprised of a delivery schedule of the share of total offered Demand Reduction Value achieved as of target dates which are: (i) The cumulative percentage of total Demand Reduction Value achieved on target date 1 occurring five weeks prior to the first annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award was made; (ii) The cumulative percentage of total Demand Reduction Value achieved on target date 2 occurring five weeks prior to the second annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award was made; and (iii) target date 3 which is the expected Commercial Operation date, which must be on or before the first day of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period and by which date 100% of total Demand Reduction Value must be complete.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4.3. **Additional Requirement For Demand Resource Project Sponsor Proposing Total Demand Reduction Value of 30 Percent or Less by the Second Target Date.**

If a Demand Resource Project Sponsor proposes in its New Demand Resource Qualification Package a cumulative Percent of Total Demand Reduction Value Complete that is 30 percent or less by the second
critical path schedule target date, then a pipeline analysis must be submitted to the ISO five weeks prior to
the second annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the award was
made. A pipeline analysis demonstrates the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s ability to fulfill its
obligation to deliver capacity that cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction by the relevant Capacity
Commitment Period. Such an analysis must list the customers that have made a commitment to
participate in the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s program to deliver capacity to meet the Demand
Resource Project Sponsor’s Forward Capacity Auction obligations, and must include each customer’s
projected summer and winter Demand Reduction Values, and expected measure installation date;
provided, however, that a Demand Resource Project Sponsor targeting customer facilities with under 10
kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility shall have the option of using a targeting and marketing plan
based on past performance in that market to determine the Project Sponsor’s ability to fulfill its obligation
by the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. To the extent that the Demand Resource Project Sponsor is
unable to demonstrate through its pipeline analysis that it has sufficient customers to meet its Capacity
Supply Obligation by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, the Demand Resource
Project Sponsor shall be subject to the ISO’s critical path schedule monitoring procedures, as specified in
Section III.13.3 of Market Rule 1.

III.13.1.4.2.2.5. Capacity Commitment Period Election.

In the New Demand Resource Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must specify whether, if its
New Demand Resource offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Capacity Supply
Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) shall continue to apply after the Capacity
Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to six
additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period
increments only. If no such election is made in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package, the
Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price associated with the New Demand Resource offer
shall apply only for the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in
which the New Demand Resource offer clears. If the Project Sponsor elects to have the Capacity Supply
Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period
associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, then the Project Sponsor may not
change the Demand Resource type as long as that Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing
Price continue to apply. If an offer from a New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity
Auction, the capacity associated with the resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to any
type of de-list or export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods
for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to this Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5.

III.13.1.4.2.6. Rationing Election.
The Project Sponsor for a New Demand Resource must indicate in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package if an offer from the New Demand Resource may be rationed. A Project Sponsor may specify a single MW quantity to which offers may be rationed. Without such indication, offers will only be accepted or rejected in whole. This rationing election shall apply for the entire Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.2.3. Consistency of the New Demand Resource Qualification Package and New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form.
The ISO shall review the Project Sponsor’s New Demand Resource Qualification Package for consistency with its New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form. The New Demand Resource Qualification Package may not contain material changes relative to the New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form. A material change may include, but is not limited to the following: (i) a change in the designation of the Demand Resource type; (ii) a change in the Project Sponsor, subject to review by the ISO of the capability and experience of the new Project Sponsor; (iii) a change in the Load Zone within which the project is located, and a change in the Dispatch Zone within which the Demand Response Capacity Resource is located; (iv) a change in the total summer or winter Demand Reduction Value of the project by more than 30 percent; (v) a change in the general type of measure being implemented (e.g., Energy Efficiency, Load Management, Distributed Generation); (vi) a change in the treatment as an Existing Demand Resource for the first Forward Capacity Auction; or (viii) a misrepresentation of the interconnection status of a Distributed Generation project.

III.13.1.4.2.4. Offers From New Demand Resources.
All New Demand Resources that might submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price must include in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package the lowest price at which the resource requests to offer capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and supporting documentation justifying that price as competitive in light of the resource’s costs (as described in Section III.A.21). This price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that section.

III.13.1.4.2.5. Notification of Qualification for Demand Resources.
III.13.1.4.2.5.1. **Evaluation of Demand Resource Qualification Materials.**

The ISO shall review the information submitted by Existing Demand Resources and New Demand Resources and shall determine whether the information submitted complies with the requirements set forth in this Section III.13.1.4 and whether, based on the information provided, the Demand Resource is accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In making these determinations, the ISO may consider, but is not limited to consideration of, the following:

(a) whether the information submitted by Existing Demand Resources and New Demand Resources is accurate and contains all of the elements required by this Section III.13.1.4;

(b) whether the critical path schedule submitted by New Demand Resources includes all necessary elements and is sufficiently developed;

(c) whether the milestones in the critical path schedule submitted by New Demand Resources are reasonable and likely to be met;

(d) whether, in the case of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource, the requirements for treatment as a New Demand Resource are satisfied; and

(e) whether the Measurement and Verification Plan complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.5.2. **Notification of Qualification for Existing Demand Resources.**

For each Existing Demand Resource, the ISO will notify the Resource’s Lead Market Participant no later than 20 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline of: (i) Demand Resource type; and (ii) summer and winter Demand Reduction Values and estimates of summer and winter Qualified Capacity as defined in Section III.13.1.4.3 and the Load Zone in which the Capacity Resource is located, and the Dispatch Zone within which a Demand Response Capacity Resource is located. If the Lead Market Participant believes that an ISO-determined summer Qualified Capacity or winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Demand Resource does not accurately reflect the determination described in Section III.13.1.4.3, then the Lead Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the Qualified Capacity notification. If an Existing Demand Resource is not submitting a change in its Demand Resource type, a Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement De-List Bid or Static De-List Bid for
the Forward Capacity Auction, then no further submissions or actions for that resource are necessary, and
the resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(c) with
Qualified Capacity as indicated in the ISO’s notification, and may not elect to have the Capacity Supply
Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the
Forward Capacity Auction. If a Market Participant believes that the Demand Reduction Value or
Qualified Capacity for an Existing Demand Resource is inaccurate or wishes to change its Demand
Resource type, the Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the
Qualified Capacity notification and submit an Updated Measurement and Verification Plan to reflect the
change in its Demand Resource type, if applicable. Updated Measurement and Verification Plans must be
received by the ISO no later than 5 Business Days after receipt of the Qualified Capacity notification.
Designation of the Demand Resource type may not be changed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3. Notification of Qualification for New Demand Resources.
No later than 127 days prior to the relevant Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to
Project Sponsors for each New Demand Resource indicating whether the New Demand Resource has
been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3.1. Notification of Acceptance to Qualify of a New Demand Resource.
For a New Demand Resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the notification
will specify the Demand Resource’s summer and winter Demand Reduction Value and summer and
winter Qualified Capacity. Designation of the Demand Resource type may not be changed during the
Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3.2. Notification of Failure to Qualify of a New Demand Resource.
For a New Demand Resource not accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the
notification will provide an explanation as to why the resource did not meet the requirements set forth in
this Section III.13.1.4 and was not accepted.

III.13.1.4.3. Measurement and Verification Applicable to All Demand Resources.
To demonstrate the Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Resource project, as defined in Section
III.13.1.4.1, all Demand Resources participating in the Forward Capacity Auction, Capacity Supply
Obligation Bilaterals or reconfiguration auctions shall submit to the ISO the Demand Resource project
Measurement and Verification Documents in accordance with this Section III.13.1.4.3, Sections III.8A
and III.8B and the ISO New England Manuals. Demand Response Capacity Resources and Real-Time
Emergency Generation Resources participating in the Forward Capacity Auction, Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals or reconfiguration auctions must estimate Demand Reduction Values pursuant to the requirements of Sections III.8A, Section III.8B, Section III.13.6.1.5.4, and Section III.E1 and Section III.E2. To the extent that a Demand Response Capacity Resource consists, in whole or in part, of assets capable of delivering Net Supply, the estimated Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Response Capacity Resource may include an estimate of Net Supply. The ISO shall review such Measurement and Verification Documents to determine whether they are consistent with the measurement and verification requirements set forth in this Section III.13.1.4.3, Section III.8A, Section III.8B, and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.3.1. Measurement and Verification Documents Applicable to On-Peak Demand Resources, and Seasonal Peak Demand Resources.

Measurement and Verification Documents for On-Peak Demand Resources, and Seasonal Peak Demand Resources must demonstrate both availability and performance of Demand Resource projects in reducing demand coincident with Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours such that the reported monthly Demand Reduction Value shall achieve at least a ten percent relative precision and an eighty percent confidence interval as described and applied in the ISO New England Manual on Measurement and Verification of Demand Reduction Value from Demand Resources. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall serve as the basis for the claimed Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Resource project. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall document the measurement and verification performed to verify the achieved Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall contain a projection of the Demand Resource project’s Demand Reduction Value for each month of the Capacity Commitment Period and over the expected Measure Life of the Demand Resource project. A Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Documents must describe the methodology used to calculate electrical energy load reduction or output during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall include a Measurement and Verification Plan submitted in the Forward Capacity Auction Qualification, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 and a monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Report during the Capacity Commitment Period. The monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports shall reference the measurement and verification protocols and performance data documented in the Measurement and Verification Plan or the Measurement and Verification Reference Report(s). Such monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports will document the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s total Demand Reduction Value...
from eligible pre-existing measures and new measures, and the Project Sponsor’s total Demand Reduction Value from both eligible pre-existing measures and new measures, for all measures it had in operation as of the end of the previous month. The monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports shall be based on Measurement and Verification Documents determined in accordance with Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals, and shall be the basis for monthly settlement with Demand Resource Project Sponsors. All Measurement and Verification Documents shall conform to the ISO’s specifications with respect to content, format and delivery methodology, and shall be submitted in accordance with the timelines and deadlines set forth in Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.3.1.1. Optional Measurement and Verification Reference Reports.
At the option of the Demand Resource Project Sponsor, the Measurement and Verification Documents may also include one or more Measurement and Verification Reference Report(s) submitted during the Capacity Commitment Period subject to the schedule in the Measurement and Verification Plan and consistent with the schedule and reporting standards set forth in the ISO New England Manuals. Measurement and Verification Reference Reports shall update the prospective Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project based on measurement and verification studies performed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.3.1.2. Updated Measurement and Verification Documents.
At the option of the Demand Resource Project Sponsor, an Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may be submitted during a subsequent Forward Capacity Auction qualification process prior to the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period of the Demand Resource project. The Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may include updated Demand Resource project specifications, measurement and verification protocols, and performance data. However, the Updated Measurement and Verification Plan shall not modify for the duration of the Capacity Commitment Period the total Demand Reduction Value and the Demand Resource type from the applicable Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s offer cleared. Additionally, the Updated Measurement and Verification Plan shall provide measurement and verification consistent with the requirements specified in the ISO New England Manuals, and shall be comparable to the quality of the original Measurement and Verification Plan accepted during the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process in which the Demand Resource project cleared the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.3.1.3. Annual Certification of Accuracy of Measurement and Verification Documents.
Demand Resource Project Sponsors for On-Peak Demand Resources, or Seasonal Peak Demand Resources and Real-Time Demand Response Resources shall submit no less frequently than once per year, a statement certifying that the Demand Resource projects for which the Project Sponsor is requesting compensation continue to perform in accordance with the submitted Measurement and Verification Documents reviewed by the ISO. One such statement must be received by the ISO no later than 10 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline.

III.13.1.4.3.1.4. Record Requirement of Retail Customers Served.
For Demand Resource projects targeting customer facilities with greater than or equal to 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, Demand Resource Project Sponsors shall maintain records of retail customers served including, at a minimum, the retail customer’s address, the customer’s utility distribution company, utility distribution company account identifier, measures installed, and corresponding monthly Demand Reduction Values. For Demand Resource projects targeting customer facilities with under 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, the Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall maintain records as described above for customer facilities with greater than or equal to 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, or shall maintain records of aggregated Demand Reduction Value and measures installed by Load Zone and meter domain. Demand Resource Project Sponsors shall maintain such records until the end of the Measure Life, or until the Demand Resource is permanently delisted from the Forward Capacity Market, and shall submit such records to the ISO upon request in a readable electronic format.

III.13.1.4.3.2. Measurement and Verification Documentation of Demand Reduction Values Applicable to All Demand Resources.
The Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall designate the specific methodology used to establish Demand Reduction Values, including the specification of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours for On-Peak Demand Resources, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours for Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, or Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours for Real-Time Demand Response Resources, in its Measurement and Verification Plan pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3. For Demand Response Capacity Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources, the Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall provide an estimate of Demand Reduction Values consistent with the baseline calculation methodology in Section III.8A and Section III.8B. To the extent that a Demand Response Capacity Resource consists, in whole or in part, of assets capable of delivering Net Supply, the estimated Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Response Capacity Resource may include an estimate of Net Supply. Distributed Generation, Demand Response Capacity Resource, Real-Time Demand Response, and Real-Time Emergency
Generation Resource projects must include individual metering or a metering protocol consistent with the measurement and verification requirements set forth in Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals to monitor and verify the Demand Reduction Values of the Demand Resource project.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, all Demand Response Assets must be metered at the Retail Delivery Point.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, if the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset cannot operate synchronized to the grid, and there is no Demand Response Asset at the same facility, the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset can be metered at the Retail Delivery Point or at the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset. If the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is capable of operating synchronized to the grid or there is a Demand Response Asset at the same facility then both the Retail Delivery Point and the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must be metered. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets must utilize a remote terminal unit for communicating telemetry and receiving Dispatch Instructions, and the metering equipment used to measure the performance of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must meet the requirements of Section E2.2.1(a), (b), and (c), must be tested pursuant to Section E2.2.3, and are subject to auditing pursuant to Section E2.2.4.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, if a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is metered at the generator, the associated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource’s Demand Reduction Value shall be calculated using the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset’s Average Hourly Output. If a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is only metered at the Retail Delivery Point, the associated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource’s Demand Reduction Value shall be calculated using the Real-Time Emergency Generations Asset’s Average Hourly Load Reduction.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing before June 1, 2018, the output of the generators comprising a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must be directly metered and reported to the ISO as a single set of interval meter data, provided that if there is no other Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset, Real-Time Demand Response Asset or other generator whose output can be controlled at the same facility, the Market Participant may instead meter the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset at the retail delivery point. Meter data associated with the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset shall be recorded and reported by the Market Participant to the ISO in Real-Time at an interval of five minutes.
For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing before June 1, 2018, the output of generators comprising a Real-Time Demand Response Asset located behind the retail delivery point must be directly metered and reported to the ISO in Real-Time as a single set of interval meter data at an interval of five-minutes.

**III.13.1.4.3.2.1. No Performance Data to Determine Demand Reduction Values.**

Should a new Demand Resource, other than a Demand Response Capacity Resource, enter service at a time such that there is no performance data for June, July, August, December or January upon which to establish summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Values, and the Demand Resource has relieved itself of its Capacity Supply Obligation for those months through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or reconfiguration auction, then the summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Values will be the simple average of its Demand Reduction Values for those months with a Capacity Supply Obligation.

For a new Demand Resource, other than a Demand Response Capacity Resource, that enters service outside of the summer DR Auditing Period or winter DR Auditing Period and the Demand Resource has relieved itself of its Capacity Supply Obligation for those months through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or reconfiguration auction, the Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit results shall be used in the determination of the summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Value.

**III.13.1.4.3.3. ISO Review of Measurement and Verification Documents.**

The ISO shall review the Measurement and Verification Documents and complete such review and identify any necessary modifications in accordance with the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process as described in Section III.13.1 and pursuant to the ISO New England Manuals. In its review of the Measurement and Verification Documents, the ISO may consult with the Project Sponsor to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or to address questions or concerns arising from the materials submitted. At the discretion of the ISO, the ISO may consider revisions or additions to the Measurement and Verification Documents resulting from such consultation; provided, however, that in no case shall the ISO consider revisions or additions to the Measurement and Verification Documents if the ISO believes that such consideration cannot be properly accomplished within the time periods established for the qualification process.

**III.13.1.4.3.4. Measurement and Verification Costs.**

Costs associated with measurement and verification of the Demand Resource project shall be borne by the Demand Resource Project Sponsor. Demand Resource Project Sponsors submitting application materials and Measurement and Verification Documents for review during the Forward Capacity Auction
qualification process shall be subject to the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, as described in Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.4.4. **Dispatch of Active Demand Resources During Event Hours.**

III.13.1.4.4.1. **Notification of Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours.**
The ISO shall issue notice to Market Participants concerning Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours on the day before the relevant Operating Day. The notice issued pursuant to this section is for informational purposes only and shall not constitute a Dispatch Instruction.

III.13.1.4.4.2. **Dispatch of Demand Resources During Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours.**
The ISO shall issue Dispatch Instructions to Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Resources to curtail and restore loads during Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours. Dispatch Instructions shall apply to Real-Time Demand Response Resources. The amount of Demand Resources dispatched for each Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hour will be the amount that the ISO determines is necessary to meet the reserve deficiency. The ISO may issue Dispatch Instructions that reduce or increase the amount dispatched in each hour.

III.13.1.4.4.3. **Dispatch of Demand Resources During Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours.**
The ISO shall issue Dispatch Instructions to Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources to curtail and restore loads during Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours. Dispatch Instructions shall apply to specific Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. The amount of Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources dispatched for each Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour will be the amount the ISO determines is necessary to meet the reserve deficiency.

III.13.1.4.5. **Selection of Active Demand Resources For Dispatch.**

III.13.1.4.5.1. **Management of Real-Time Demand Response Assets and Real-Time Demand Response Resources.**
A Market Participant must manage its Real-Time Demand Response Assets that are registered as a component of a Real-Time Demand Response Resource as of the first of a month so that the Real-Time Demand Response Resource complies with Dispatch Instructions. If the operation or potential operation
of Real-Time Demand Response Assets cause, or potentially cause, a reliability problem, the ISO may
direct Market Participants to not dispatch such assets or to restore the loads of such assets that have
already been dispatched. If the ISO directs a Market Participant to not dispatch a Real-Time Demand
Response Asset or to restore the load of a dispatched Real-Time Demand Response Asset, an adjustment
to the dispatch and/or settlement process will be made to reflect the exclusion of that asset from dispatch
or the restoration of that asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Assets shall report
to the ISO the load reduction and consumption, or generator output of each asset. Market Participants
with Real-Time Demand Response Resources consisting of an aggregation of more than one Real-Time
Demand Response Asset shall report the load reduction and consumption, or generator output of the
resource, to the ISO as the sum of the load reduction, consumption, or generator output of the individual
assets making up that resource. Real-Time Demand Response Resources shall be assigned a unique
resource identification number. The load reduction and consumption, or generator output of a Real-Time
Demand Response Resource is reported to the ISO as a single set of values. A Real-Time Demand
Response Resource shall consist of one or more Real-Time Demand Response Assets that are located
within the same Dispatch Zone.

Emergency Generation Resources.
A Market Participant must manage its Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets that are registered as a
component of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource as of the first of a month so that the Real-
Time Emergency Generation Resource complies with Dispatch Instructions. If the operation or potential
operation of Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets causes, or potentially causes, a reliability problem,
the ISO may direct Market Participants to not dispatch such assets or to discontinue the output of such
assets that have already been dispatched. If the ISO directs a Market Participant to not dispatch a Real-
Time Emergency Generation Asset or to discontinue the output of a dispatched Real-Time Emergency
Generation Asset, an adjustment to the dispatch and/or settlement process will be made to reflect the
exclusion of that asset from dispatch or the discontinued output of that asset. Market Participants with
Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets shall report to the ISO the load reduction and consumption, or
generator output of each asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources
consisting of an aggregation of more than one Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset shall report the
generator output of the resource to the ISO as the sum of the generator outputs of the individual assets
making up that resource. Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources shall be assigned a unique
resource identification number. The generator output of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource is
reported to the ISO as a single set of values. A Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource shall consist of one or more Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets that are located within the same Dispatch Zone.

III.13.1.4.5.3. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.6. Conversion of Active Demand Resources Defined at the Load Zone to Active Demand Resources Defined at Dispatch Zones.

The ISO shall establish Dispatch Zones that reflect potential transmission constraints within a Load Zone that are expected to exist during each Capacity Commitment Period. Dispatch Zones shall be used to establish the geographic location and dispatch of Demand Response Capacity Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. Dispatch Zones shall not change during a Capacity Commitment Period. For each Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall establish and publish Dispatch Zones by the beginning of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction. The ISO will review proposed Dispatch Zones with Market Participants prior to establishing and publishing final Dispatch Zones.

III.13.1.4.6.2. Disaggregation of Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources From Load Zones to Dispatch Zones.

Market Participants with a Capacity Supply Obligation that is being fulfilled using a Real-Time Demand Response Resource in a Load Zone shall, prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, disaggregate that Real-Time Demand Response Resource into one or more Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the original Load Zone. The sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within a Load Zone must be equal to the initial Capacity Supply Obligation within the original Load Zone. If the sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within a Load Zone is less than the initial Capacity Supply Obligation by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, and the Market Participant does not transfer the entire difference through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or an annual reconfiguration auction by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, then the Market Participant will be deemed to have failed to meet its Capacity Supply Obligation, in which case
the ISO shall terminate the Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation associated with the resource in the amount of the difference, terminate the Market Participant’s right to any payments associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation, and retain any applicable financial assurance associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation.

III.13.1.4.6.2.2. **Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource Disaggregation.**

Market Participants with a Capacity Supply Obligation that is being fulfilled using a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource in a Load Zone shall, prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, disaggregate that Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource into one or more Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the original Load Zone. The sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the Load Zone must be equal to the initial Capacity Supply Obligation within the original Load Zone. If the sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within a Load Zone is less than the initial Capacity Supply Obligation by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, and the Market Participant does not transfer the entire difference through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or an annual reconfiguration auction by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, then the Market Participant will be deemed to have failed to meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in which case the ISO shall terminate the Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation associated with the resource in the amount of the difference, terminate the Market Participant’s right to any payments associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation, and retain any applicable financial assurance associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation.

III.13.1.4.7. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.8. [Reserved.]


A Market Participant may not register and, if previously registered, must retire in accordance with Section III.13.1.4.9.1, a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or asset associated with an On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource that is comprised of:
(a) the customers of Host Utilities that distributed more than 4 million MWh in the previous fiscal year if the relevant electric retail regulatory authority prohibits such customers’ demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs, or

(b) the customers of Host Utilities that distributed 4 million MWh or less in the previous fiscal year, unless the relevant electric retail regulatory authority permits such customers’ demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs.


A Market Participant must retire a previously registered Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or asset associated with an On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource that is comprised of customers specified in subsections (a) or (b) of Section III.13.1.4.9 no later than 12 months from the date that the ISO receives notice that the relevant electric retail regulatory authority prohibits such customer’s demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs or May 31, 2013, whichever is later.


If requested by a Market Participant with a registered Load Asset, the ISO will provide the following information about end-use customers served by the Market Participant: (a) whether the end-use customer’s facility is registered with the ISO as part of an asset and whether the asset is associated with a Demand Response Resource, Real-Time Demand Response Resource or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, and; (b) the load reduction capability of the asset, as specified in the ISO’s asset registration system, to which the end-use customer’s facility is registered.

III.13.1.4.11. Assignment of Demand Assets to a Demand Resource.

The following mapping provisions apply to Demand Resources other than Demand Response Capacity Resources, the mapping for which is addressed in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

(a) When a demand asset can be mapped to more than one Demand Resource, any demand assets shall be mapped to a commercial Demand Resource whose demand reduction capability is less than the
lower of (i) its commercial capacity, as reflected in the resource’s highest audit value or (ii) its highest Capacity Supply Obligation acquired for the current Capacity Commitment Period or any future Capacity Commitment Period, before being mapped to a non-commercial Demand Resource or non-commercial increment of a Demand Resource.

(b) A demand asset cannot be unmapped from a Demand Resource if, following the unmapping, the sum of the audit values of the remaining demand assets that are mapped to the Demand Resource would be lower than the resource’s highest Capacity Supply Obligation acquired for the current Capacity Commitment Period or any future Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.5. Offers Composed of Separate Resources.

Separate resources seeking to participate together in a Forward Capacity Auction shall submit a composite offer form no later than 10 Business Days after the date on which the ISO provides qualification determination notifications, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, Section III.13.1.2.4, and Section III.13.1.2.4.5.3. Offers composed of separate resources may not be modified or withdrawn after the deadline for submission of the composite offer form. Separate resources may together participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a single resource if the following conditions are met:

(a) In all months of the summer period (June through September where the summer resource is not a Demand Resource, April through November where the summer resource is a Demand Resource) of the Capacity Commitment Period, only one resource may be used to supply the amount of capacity offered during the entire summer period. In all months of the winter period (October through May where the summer resource is not a Demand Resource, December through March where the summer resource is a Demand Resource) of the Capacity Commitment Period, multiple resources may be combined to supply the amount of capacity offered, provided that: (i) the resources together meet the amount of the offer in all months of the winter period; and (ii) to combine for a month, that month must be considered a winter month for both the summer resource and the resource combining with that summer resource in that month.

(b) Each resource that is part of an offer composed of separate resources must qualify in accordance with all of the provisions of this Section III.13.1.5 applicable to that resource type. An offer composed of separate resources participates in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the resource type of the resource providing capacity in the summer period. A resource electing (pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing
Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which its New Capacity Offer clears shall not be eligible to participate in an offer composed of separate resources as the resource providing capacity in the summer period in the Forward Capacity Auction in which the resource is a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource.

(c) The summer Qualified Capacity of an offer composed of separate resources shall be the summer Qualified Capacity of the single resource that will provide the Capacity Supply Obligation during the summer period. If the summer Qualified Capacity of an offer composed of separate resources is greater than the winter capacity for any month, then the provisions of Section III.13.1.2.2.5.2 shall apply, even where any of the resources comprising the offer composed of separate resources is an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource. If the winter capacity of the offer composed of separate resources in any month is higher than the summer Qualified Capacity, then the capacity offered from the winter resources will be reduced pro-rata to equal the summer Qualified Capacity.

(d) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is intended to meet the Local Sourcing Requirement in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located in that import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(e) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is intended to meet the capacity requirement in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located in a Capacity Zone that is not export-constrained.

(f) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is for capacity in an export-constrained Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located inside of the export-constrained Capacity Zone or be located in any non-export constrained Capacity Zone.

(g) [Reserved.]

(h) A Renewable Technology Resource may only participate in an offer composed of separate resources if its FCA Qualified Capacity has not been prorated pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.10.

III.13.1.5.A. Notification of FCA Qualified Capacity.
No later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources, the ISO shall notify the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant for each New Generating
Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, and New Demand Resource of the resource’s final FCA Qualified Capacity for the Forward Capacity Auction. Such notification will detail the resource’s financial assurance requirements in accordance with Section III.13.1.9.


Where a Project Sponsor elects to designate all or a portion of a New Generating Capacity Resource or an Existing Generating Capacity Resource as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, the Project Sponsor must make such designation in writing to the ISO no later than the date by which the Project Sponsor is required to submit the FCM Deposit and, if the Project Sponsor is not also the associated load serving entity, the Project Sponsor must at that time provide written confirmation from the load serving entity regarding the Self-Supplied FCA Resource designation. A New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource may be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource. All Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall be subject to the eligibility and locational requirements in this Section III.13.1.6. If designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource and otherwise accepted in the qualification process, the resource will clear in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(c) and, with the exception of demand programs for Self-Supplied FCA Resources, shall offset an equal amount of the load serving entity’s Capacity Load Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period. A load serving entity seeking to self-supply using a Demand Resource shall realize the benefit through the actual reduction in its annual system coincident peak load, shall not receive credit for a resource and, therefore, is not required to participate in the qualification process described in this Section III.13.1. All designations as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process are binding.


Where all or a portion of a resource is designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, it shall also maintain its status as a New Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource, and must satisfy the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process requirements set forth in the remainder of Section III.13.1 applicable to that resource type, in addition to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.6. Where an offer composed of separate resources is designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, all of the requirements and deadlines specified in Section III.13.1.5 shall apply to that offer, in addition to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.6. The total quantity of capacity that an load serving entity designates as Self-Supplied FCA Resources may not exceed the load serving entity’s projected share of the Installed Capacity Requirement during the Capacity Commitment Period which shall be calculated by determining the load serving entity’s most recent percentage share of the Installed Capacity Requirement multiplied by the projected Installed
Capacity Requirement for the commitment year. No resource may be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource for more MW than the lesser of that resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity.

### III.13.1.6.2. Locational Requirements for Self-Supplied FCA Resources.

In order to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource for a load in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, the Self-Supplied FCA Resource must be located in the same Capacity Zone as the associated load, unless the Self-Supplied FCA Resource is a pool-planned unit or other unit with a special allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights. In order to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource in an export-constrained Capacity Zone for a load outside that export-constrained Capacity Zone, the Self-Supplied FCA Resource must be a pool-planned unit or other unit with a special allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights.


In addition to the other provisions of this Section III.13.1, the Internal Market Monitor shall have the authority to review in the qualification process each resource’s summer and winter Seasonal Claimed Capability if it is significantly lower than historical values, and if the Internal Market Monitor determines that it may be an attempt to exercise physical withholding, the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)). Where an entity submits: (i) an offer as a New Generating Capacity Resource, a New Import Capacity Resource or a New Demand Resource; and (ii) a Static De-List Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, a Retirement De-List Bid, an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid in the same Forward Capacity Auction, the Internal Market Monitor shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the resource bid to de-list, retire or export in the Forward Capacity Auction is not inappropriately replaced by that new capacity in a subsequent reconfiguration auction or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral. In its review of any offer or bid pursuant to this Section III.13.1.7, the Internal Market Monitor may consult with the Project Sponsor or Market Participant, as appropriate, to seek clarification, or to address questions or concerns regarding the materials submitted.

### III.13.1.8. Publication of Offer and Bid Information.

(a) Resource name, quantity and Load Zone (or interface, as applicable) in which the resource is located about each Permanent De-list Bid and Retirement De-List Bid will be posted no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.
(b) The quantity and Load Zone (or interface, as applicable) in which the resource is located of each Static De-List Bid will be posted no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(c) Name of submitter, quantity, and interface of Export Bids and Administrative Export Bids shall be published no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(d) Name of submitter, quantity, and interface about offers from New Import Capacity Resources shall be published no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(e) No later than three Business Days after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO shall post on its website information concerning Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(f) The name of each Lead Market Participant submitting Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative Export De-List Bids, as well as the number and type of such de-list bids submitted by each Lead Market Participant, shall be published no later than three Business Days after the ISO issues the qualification determination notifications described in Sections III.13.1.2.8, III.13.1.2.4(b), and III.13.1.3.5.7. Authorized Persons of Authorized Commissions will be provided confidential access to full information about posted Static De-list Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, and Retirement De-List Bids upon request pursuant to Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.

(g) No later than five Business Days after the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, the ISO shall post on its website the aggregate quantity of supply offers and demand bids that have been elected to participate in the substitution auction by Capacity Zone (where the zones used are those being studied for inclusion in the associated Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.12.4).


Except as noted in this Section III.13.1.9, all financial assurance requirements associated with Forward Capacity Auctions and annual reconfiguration auctions and other payments and charges resulting from the Forward Capacity Market shall be governed by the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

In order to participate in any Forward Capacity Auction, New Generating Capacity Resources (including Conditional Qualified New Resources) and New Demand Resources shall be required to meet the financial assurance requirements as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy. Timely payment of the FCM Deposit by the Project Sponsor for a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction constitutes a commitment to offer the full FCA Qualified Capacity of that New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. If the FCM Deposit is not received within the timeframe specified in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, the New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource shall not be permitted to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction. If capacity offered by the New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, financial assurance required prior to the auction pursuant to FAP shall be applied toward the resource’s financial assurance obligation, as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy. If no capacity offered by that New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the financial assurance required prior to the auction pursuant to FAP will be released pursuant to the terms of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.1.9.2. **Financial Assurance for New Generating Capacity Resources and New Demand Resources Clearing in a Forward Capacity Auction.**

Where a New Generating Capacity Resource’s offer or a New Demand Resource’s offer is accepted in a Forward Capacity Auction, that resource must provide financial assurance as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.1.9.2.1. **Failure to Provide Financial Assurance or to Meet Milestone.**

If a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource: (i) fails to provide the required financial assurance as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy or (ii) has its Capacity Supply Obligation terminated by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.3.4(c), it shall lose its Capacity Supply Obligation and its right to any payments associated with that Capacity Supply Obligation, and it shall forfeit any financial assurance provided with respect to that Capacity Supply Obligation.

III.13.1.9.2.2. **Release of Financial Assurance.**

Once a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource achieves Commercial Operation and is tested for its capacity rating, its financial assurance obligation shall be released pursuant to the
terms of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy and it shall have the same financial assurance
requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as governed by the ISO New England
Financial Assurance Policy. If a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource is only
capable of delivering less than the amount of capacity that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction, then
the portion of its financial assurance associated with the shortfall shall be forfeited.

III.13.1.9.2.2.1. [Reserved.]

Where any financial assurance is forfeited pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13, there shall be no
further coverage for such forfeit under the ISO New England Billing Policy. Any financial assurance that
is forfeited pursuant to Section III.13 shall be used to reduce charges incurred by load in the relevant
Capacity Zone to replace that capacity.

A New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a new External Resource or will be delivered over an
Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection
Request pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be
subject to the same financial assurance requirements as a New Generating Capacity Resource, as
described in Section III.13.1.9.1 and Section III.13.1.9.2. Once the new External Resource or the Elective
Transmission Upgrade achieves Commercial Operation, the New Import Capacity Resource shall be
subject to the same financial assurance requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as
described in Section III.13.1.9. A New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by one or more existing
External Resources or by an external Control Area shall be subject to the same financial assurance
requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as governed by the ISO New England
Financial Assurance Policy.

For each New Capacity Show of Interest Form and New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form
submitted for the purposes of qualifying for either a Forward Capacity Auction or reconfiguration
auction, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a refundable deposit in the amount shown in the table
below (“Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit”). The Qualification Process Cost
Reimbursement Deposit must be received in accordance with the ISO New England Billing Policy. Such
deposit shall be used for costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and
reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owners, associated with the qualification process described in Section III.13.1 and with the critical path schedule monitoring described in Section III.13.3. An additional Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit is not required if: (i) the Project Sponsor is actively seeking qualification for another Forward Capacity Auction or annual reconfiguration auction, or is having the project’s critical path schedule monitored pursuant to Section III.13.3; and (ii) the costs already incurred in the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring do not equal or exceed 90 percent of the amount of the previously-submitted Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit(s). The ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with an annual statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. In any case where resources are aggregated or disaggregated, the associated Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposits will be adjusted as appropriate. After aggregation or disaggregation of resources, historical data regarding the costs already incurred in the qualification process of the original resources will no longer be provided. Coincident with the issuance of the annual statement, where incurred costs are equal to or greater than 90 percent of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit(s) previously submitted, the ISO will issue an invoice in the amount determined pursuant to the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit table contained in Section III.13.1.9.3.1 plus any excess of costs incurred to date by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owners, associated with the qualification process described in Section III.13.1 and with the critical path schedule monitoring described in Section III.13.3. Any refunds that may result from aggregation of resources will be issued coincident with the annual statement. Payment on the invoice must be received in accordance with the ISO New England Billing Policy. If the Project Sponsor fails to pay the amount due by the stated due date, the ISO will consider the resources that were invoiced withdrawn by the Project Sponsor. Such a withdrawal shall be irrevocable, and payment on the invoice after the due date will not remedy the failure to pay or the withdrawal.

III.13.1.9.3.1. Partial Waiver Of Deposit.

A portion of the deposit shall be waived when there is an active Interconnection Request and an executed Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement or Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement under Schedule 22, 23 or 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff or where a resource modification does not require a revision to the Interconnection Agreement.
### Settlement of Costs

#### III.13.1.9.3.2. Settlement Of Costs Associated With Resources Participating In A Forward Capacity Auction Or Reconfiguration Auction.

Upon the latter of: (i) the first day of the Capacity Commitment Period for which a resource offers into the Forward Capacity Market or (ii) the date on which the entire resource is accepted by the ISO for Commercial Operation, the ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with a statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the

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affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. If any portion of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit exceeds the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s) associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring, the ISO shall refund to the Project Sponsor the excess including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). If the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring exceed the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, the Project Sponsor shall pay such excess, including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2) – For Demand Resources, the ISO shall provide all of the above concurrently with the annual statement required under Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.9.3.2.2. Settlement Of Costs Associated With Resources That Withdraw From A Forward Capacity Auction Or Reconfiguration Auction.

Upon the withdrawal or failure to meet the requirements of the qualification process set forth in Section III.13.1, the ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with a statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. A Project Sponsor that withdraws or is deemed to have withdrawn its request for qualification shall pay to the ISO all costs prudently incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. The ISO shall refund to the Project Sponsor any portion of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit that exceeds the costs associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). The ISO shall charge the Project Sponsor the amount of such costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), that exceeds the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). For Demand Resources, the ISO shall provide all of the above concurrently with the annual statement required under Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.9.3.2.3. Crediting Of Reimbursements.

Cost reimbursements received (excluding amounts passed through to the ISO’s consultants and to affected Transmission Owner(s)) by the ISO pursuant to this Section III.13.1.9.3.2 shall be credited
against revenues received by the ISO pursuant to Section IV.A.6.1 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.10. **Forward Capacity Auction Qualification Schedule.**
Beginning with the timeline for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2017 (the eighth Forward Capacity Auction), and for each Capacity Commitment Period thereafter, the deadlines will be consistent for each Capacity Commitment Period, as follows:

(a) each Capacity Commitment Period shall begin in June;

(b) the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline will be in March, approximately four years and three months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(c) the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window will be in April, approximately four years and two months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(d) the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline will be in June, approximately four years before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(e) the New Capacity Qualification Deadline will be in June or July that is just under four years before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period; and

(f) the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period will begin in February approximately three years and four months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period.

The table below shows this generic timeline for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning in year “X”, where X is any year after 2015.

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III.13.1.11 Opt-Out for Resources Electing Multiple-Year Treatment.

Beginning in the qualification process for the ninth Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2018), any resource that had elected in a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the ninth Forward Capacity Auction (pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which its New Capacity Offer cleared may, by submitting a written notification to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline (or, in the case of the ninth Forward Capacity Auction, no later than September 19, 2014), opt-out of the remaining years of the resource’s multiple-year election. A decision to so opt-out shall be irrevocable. A resource choosing to so opt-out will participate in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions in the same manner as other Existing Capacity Resources.

Except with respect to the first six Forward Capacity Auctions (as described in Section III.13.1.10), each
Forward Capacity Auction will be conducted beginning on the first Monday in the February that is
approximately three years and four months before the beginning of the associated Capacity Commitment
Period (unless, no later than the immediately preceding December 1, an alternative date is announced by
the ISO), or, where exigent circumstances prevent the start of the Forward Capacity Auction at that time,
as soon as possible thereafter.

The total amount of capacity cleared in each Forward Capacity Auction shall be determined using the
System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve and the Capacity Zone Demand Curves for the modeled Capacity
Zones pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3.

III.13.2.2.1. System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve.
The MRI Transition Period is the period from the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity
Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020 through the earlier of:

(i) the Forward Capacity Auction for which the amount of the Installed Capacity
    Requirement (net of HQICCs) that is filed by the ISO with the Commission pursuant to
    Section III.12.3 for the upcoming Forward Capacity Auction is greater than or equal to
    the sum of: 34,151 MW, and: (a) 722 MW (for the Forward Capacity Auction for the
    Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020); (b) 375 MW (for the Forward
    Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2021), or; (c)
    150 MW (for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period
    beginning June 1, 2022);

(ii) the Forward Capacity Auction for which the product of the system-wide Marginal
     Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor
     specified in Section III.13.2.2.4, specifies a quantity at $7.03/kW-month in excess of the
     MW value determined under the applicable subsection (2)(b), (2)(c), or (2)(d), below, or;
During the MRI Transition Period, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall consist of the following three segments:

(1) at prices above $7.03/kW-month and below the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price for system capacity quantities based on the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4;

(2) at prices below $7.03/kW-month, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be linear between $7.03/kW-month and $0.00/kW-month and determined by the following quantities:

   (a) at the price of $0.00/kW-month, the quantity specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be 1616 MW plus the MW value determined under the applicable provision in (b), (c), or (d) of this subsection.

   (b) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:

      1. 35,437 MW; and

      2. 722 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month;

   (c) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2021, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:

      1. 35,090 MW; and

      2. 375 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month;

   (d) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2022, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:

      1. 34,865 MW; and

      2. 150 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month.
(3) a price of $7.03/kW-month for all quantities between those curves segments.

In addition to the foregoing, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

Following the MRI Transition Period, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price for system capacity quantities based on the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. For any system capacity quantity greater than 110% of the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero. The System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.2.2. Import-Constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curves.
For each import-constrained Capacity Zone, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price for all Capacity Zone quantities based on the product of the import-constrained Capacity Zone’s Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.3, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. The prices specified by an import-constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall be non-negative. At all quantities greater than the amount of capacity for which the Capacity Zone Demand Curve specifies a price of $0.01/kW-month, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero. The Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.2.3. Export-Constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curves.
For each export-constrained Capacity Zone, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price for all Capacity Zone quantities based on the product of the export-constrained Capacity Zone’s Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.2.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. The prices specified by an export-constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall be non-positive. At all quantities less than the amount of capacity for which the Capacity Zone Demand Curve specifies a price of negative $0.01/kW-month, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero.
III.13.2.4. **Capacity Demand Curve Scaling Factor.**

The demand curve scaling factor shall be set at the value such that, at the quantity specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve at a price of Net CONE, the Loss of Load Expectation is 0.1 days per year.

III.13.2.3. **Conduct of the Forward Capacity Auction.**

The Forward Capacity Auction shall be a descending clock auction, which will determine, subject to the provisions of Section III.13.2.7, the Capacity Clearing Price for each Capacity Zone modeled in that Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.12.4, and the Capacity Clearing Price for certain offers from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3(d). The Forward Capacity Auction shall determine the outcome of all offers and bids accepted during the qualification process and submitted during the auction. Each Forward Capacity Auction shall be conducted as a series of rounds, which shall continue (for up to five consecutive Business Days, with up to eight rounds per day, absent extraordinary circumstances) until the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for all modeled Capacity Zones in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.2.3.3. Each round of the Forward Capacity Auction shall consist of the following steps, which shall be completed simultaneously for each Capacity Zone included in the round:


For each round, the auctioneer shall announce a single Start-of-Round Price (the highest price associated with a round of the Forward Capacity Auction) and a single (lower) End-of-Round Price (the lowest price associated with a round of the Forward Capacity Auction). In the first round, the Start-of-Round Price shall equal the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for all modeled Capacity Zones. In each round after the first round, the Start-of-Round Price shall equal the End-of-Round Price from the previous round.

### Step 2: Compilation of Offers and Bids.

The auctioneer shall compile all of the offers and bids for that round, as follows:

(a) **Offers from New Generating Capacity Resources, New Import Capacity Resources, and New Demand Resources.**

(i) The Project Sponsor for any New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an
investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade, or New Demand Resource accepted in the qualification process for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction may submit a New Capacity Offer indicating the quantity of capacity that the Project Sponsor would commit to provide from the resource during the Capacity Commitment Period at that round’s prices. A New Capacity Offer shall be defined by the submission of one to five prices, each strictly less than the Start-of-Round Price but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and an associated quantity in the applicable Capacity Zone. Each price shall be expressed in units of dollars per kilowatt-month to an accuracy of at most three digits to the right of the decimal point, and each quantity shall be expressed in units of MWs to an accuracy of at most three digits to the right of the decimal point. A New Capacity Offer shall imply a supply curve indicating quantities offered at all of that round’s prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii).

(ii) If the Project Sponsor of a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade, or New Demand Resource elects to offer in a Forward Capacity Auction, the Project Sponsor must offer the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price in the first round of the auction. A New Capacity Offer for a resource may in no event be for greater capacity than the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity at any price. A New Capacity Offer for a resource may not be for less capacity than the resource’s Economic Minimum Limit at any price, except where the New Capacity Offer is for a capacity quantity of zero.

(iii) Let the Start-of-Round Price and End-of-Round Price for a given round be \( P_S \) and \( P_E \), respectively. Let the \( m \) prices \( (1 \leq m \leq 5) \) submitted by a Project Sponsor for a modeled Capacity Zone be \( p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_m \), where \( P_S > p_1 > p_2 > \ldots > p_m \geq P_E \), and let the associated quantities submitted for a New Capacity Resource be \( q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_m \). Then the Project Sponsor’s supply curve, for all prices strictly less than \( P_S \) but greater than or equal to \( P_E \), shall be taken to be:
where, in the first round, \( q_0 \) is the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity and, in subsequent rounds, \( q_0 \) is the resource’s quantity offered at the lowest price of the previous round.

(iv) Except for Renewable Technology Resources and except as provided in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(v), a New Capacity Resource may not include any capacity in a New Capacity Offer during the Forward Capacity Auction at any price below the resource’s New Resource Offer Floor Price. The amount of capacity included in each New Capacity Offer at each price shall be included in the aggregate supply curves at that price as described in Section III.13.2.3.3.

(v) Capacity associated with a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or a New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) shall be automatically included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 at prices at or above the resource’s offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2) and shall be automatically removed from the aggregate supply curves at prices below the resource’s offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2), except under the following circumstances:

In any round of the Forward Capacity Auction in which prices are below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, the Project Sponsor for a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or a New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) with offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2) that are less than the Dynamic Delist Bid Threshold may submit a New Capacity Offer indicating the quantity of capacity that the Project Sponsor would commit to provide from the resource during the Capacity Commitment Period at that round’s prices. Such an offer shall be defined by the submission of one to five

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q_m, & \text{if } p \leq p_m.
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where, in the first round, \( q_0 \) is the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity and, in subsequent rounds, \( q_0 \) is the resource’s quantity offered at the lowest price of the previous round.
prices, each less than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold (or the Start-of-Round Price, if lower than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold) but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and a single quantity associated with each price. Such an offer shall be expressed in the same form as specified in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(i) and shall imply a curve indicating quantities at all of that round’s relevant prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii). The curve may not increase the quantity offered as the price decreases.

(b) **Bids from Existing Capacity Resources**

(i) Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, Retirement De-List Bids, and Export Bids from Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources, as finalized in the qualification process or as otherwise directed by the Commission shall be automatically bid into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction, such that each such resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 until any Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement D-List Bid, or Export Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2, and is removed from the aggregate supply curves. In the case of a Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be reduced by the quantity of the de-list bid (unless the resource was retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.5.1) and the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid shall not be included in the Forward Capacity Auction. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids subject to an election under Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) shall not be bid into the Forward Capacity Auction and shall be treated according to Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii). In the case of a Static De-List Bid, if the Market Participant revised the bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the revised bid shall be used in place of the submitted bid; if the Market Participant withdrew the bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the capacity associated with the withdrawn bid shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c). If the amount of capacity associated with Export Bids for an interface exceeds the transfer limit of that interface (minus any accepted Administrative De-List Bids over that interface), then the set of Export Bids associated with that interface equal to the interface’s transfer limit (minus any accepted Administrative De-List Bids over that interface) having the highest bid prices shall be included in the auction as described above; capacity for which Export
Bids are not included in the auction as a result of this provision shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c).

(ii) For Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids, the ISO will enter a Proxy De-List Bid into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction in the following circumstances: (1) if the Lead Market Participant has elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) to retire the resource or portion thereof, the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the Internal Market Monitor has found a portfolio benefit pursuant to Section III.A.24; or (2) if the Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the price specified in the Commission-approved de-list bid is less than the price specified in the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant and less than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Proxy De-List Bid shall be non-rationable and shall be equal in price and quantity to, and located in the same Capacity Zone as, the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid, and shall be entered into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction such that the capacity associated with the Proxy De-List Bid will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 until the Proxy De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2, and is removed from the aggregate supply curves. If the Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid is equal to or greater than the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant, no Proxy De-List Bid shall be used and the Commission-approved de-list bid shall be entered in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(i).

(iii) For purposes of this subsection (b), if an Internal Market Monitor-determined price has been established for a Static De-List Bid and the associated resource’s capacity is pivotal pursuant to Sections III.A.23.1 and III.A.23.2, then (unless otherwise directed by the Commission) the lower of the Internal Market Monitor-determined price and any revised bid that is submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1 will be used in place of the initially submitted bid; provided, however, that if the bid was withdrawn pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the capacity associated with the withdrawn bid shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c). If an Internal Market Monitor-determined price has been established for
an Export Bid and the associated resource’s capacity is pivotal pursuant to Sections III.A.23.1 and III.A.23.2, then the Internal Market Monitor-determined price (or price directed by the Commission) will be used in place of the submitted bid.

Any Static De-List Bid for ambient air conditions that has not been verified pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.4 shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection (b).

(c) **Existing Capacity Resources Without De-List or Export Bids and Self-Supplied FCA Resources.** Each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, and Existing Demand Resource without a Static De-List Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, a Retirement De-List Bid, an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid in its Existing Capacity Qualification Package, and each existing Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be automatically entered into each round of the Forward Capacity Auction at its FCA Qualified Capacity, such that the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3, except where such resource, if permitted, submits an appropriate Dynamic De-List Bid, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(d). Each new Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be automatically entered into each round of the Forward Capacity Auction at its designated self-supplied quantity at prices at or above the resource’s New Resource Offer Floor Price, such that the resource’s designated self-supply quantity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3.

(d) **Dynamic De-List Bids.** In any round of the Forward Capacity Auction in which prices are below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, any Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource (but not any Self-Supplied FCA Resources) may submit a Dynamic De-List Bid at prices below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold. Such a bid shall be defined by the submission of one to five prices, each less than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold (or the Start-of-Round Price, if lower than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold) but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and a single quantity associated with each price. Such a bid shall be expressed in the same form as specified in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(i) and shall imply a curve indicating quantities at all of that round’s relevant prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii). The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. A dynamic De-List Bid may not offer less capacity than the resource’s Economic Minimum Limit at any price, except where the amount of capacity offered is zero. All Dynamic De-List Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and if not rejected for reliability reasons, shall be included in the round in the same manner as Static De-List Bids as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b). Where a resource elected pursuant to
Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, the capacity associated with any resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to a Dynamic De-List Bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply. Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Dynamic De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, and Administrative Export De-List Bid for a single resource, none of the prices in a set of price-quantity pairs associated with a bid may be the same as any price in any other set of price-quantity pairs associated with another bid for the same resource.

(e) **Repowering.** Offers and bids associated with a resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) shall be addressed in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13.2.3.2(e). The Project Sponsor shall offer such a New Generating Capacity Resource into the Forward Capacity Auction in the same manner and pursuant to the same rules as other New Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(a). As long as any capacity is offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, the amount of capacity offered is the amount that the auctioneer shall include in the aggregate supply curve at the relevant prices, and the quantity of capacity offered from the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall not be included in the aggregate supply curve. If any portion of the New Generating Capacity Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be permanently de-listed as of the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period. If at any price, no capacity is offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, then the auctioneer shall include capacity from the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource at that price, subject to any bids submitted and accepted in the qualification process for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5. Bids submitted and accepted in the qualification process for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5 shall only be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction after the associated New Generating Capacity Resource is fully withdrawn (that is, the Forward Capacity Auction reaches a price at which the resource’s New Capacity Offer is zero capacity), and shall only then be subject to the reliability review described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.

(f) **Conditional Qualified New Resources.** Offers associated with a resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Conditional Qualified New Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f)
shall be addressed in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13.2.3.2(f). The Project Sponsor shall offer such a Conditional Qualified New Resource into the Forward Capacity Auction in the same manner and pursuant to the same rules as other New Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(a). An offer from at most one resource at a Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location will be permitted to clear (receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction. As long as a positive quantity is offered at the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction by the resource having a higher queue priority at the Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f), then no capacity from the Conditional Qualified New Resource shall clear. If at any price greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction, zero quantity is offered from the resource having higher queue priority at the Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f), then the auctioneer shall consider capacity offered from the Conditional Qualified New Resource in the determination of clearing, including the application of Section III.13.2.7.

(g) **Mechanics.** Offers and bids that may be submitted during a round of the Forward Capacity Auction must be received between the starting time and ending time of the round, as announced by the auctioneer in advance. The ISO at its sole discretion may authorize a participant in the auction to complete or correct its submission after the ending time of a round, but only if the participant can demonstrate to the ISO’s satisfaction that the participant was making reasonable efforts to complete a valid offer submission before the ending time of the round, and only if the ISO determines that allowing the completion or correction will not unreasonably disrupt the auction process. All decisions by the ISO concerning whether or not a participant may complete or correct a submission after the ending time of a round are final.

**III.13.2.3.3. Step 3: Determination of the Outcome of Each Round.**

The auctioneer shall use the offers and bids for the round as described in Section III.13.2.3.2 to determine the aggregate supply curves for the New England Control Area and for each modeled Capacity Zone included in the round.

The aggregate supply curve for the New England Control Area, the Total System Capacity, shall reflect at each price the sum of the following:
(1) the amount of capacity offered in all Capacity Zones modeled as import-constrained Capacity Zones at that price (excluding capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources);

(2) the amount of capacity offered in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone at that price (excluding capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources);

(3) for each Capacity Zone modeled as an export-constrained Capacity Zone, the lesser of:
   (i) the amount of capacity offered in the Capacity Zone at that price (including the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources for each interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area mapped to the export-constrained Capacity Zone up to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits), or;
   (ii) the amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at zero minus that price, and;

(4) for each interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area mapped to an import-constrained Capacity Zone or the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, the lesser of:
   (i) that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits), or;
   (ii) the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources.

In computing the Total System Capacity, capacity associated with any New Capacity Offer at any price greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price will not be included in the tally of total capacity at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for that Capacity Zone. On the basis of these aggregate supply curves, the auctioneer shall determine the outcome of the round for each modeled Capacity Zone as follows:

(a) **Import-Constrained Capacity Zones.**

For a Capacity Zone modeled as an import-constrained Capacity Zone, if either of the following two conditions is met during the round:

(1) the aggregate supply curve for the import-constrained Capacity Zone, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), equals or is less than the quantity
determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the difference between the End-of-Round Price and the price specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve (at a quantity no less than Total System Capacity at the Start-of-Round Price), or;

(2) the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone;

then the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Zone is concluded and such Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Capacity Clearing Price for that Capacity Zone shall be set at the greater of: (1) the sum of the price specified by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the amount of capacity equal to the total amount that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation in the import-constrained Capacity Zone, and the Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, or; (2) the highest price of any offer or bid for a resource in the Capacity Zone that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If neither of the two conditions above are met in the round, then the auctioneer shall publish the quantity of capacity in the Capacity Zone from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price, and that Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone.

If the Total System Capacity at the End-of-Round Price, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), and adjusted to include the additional supply in the import-constrained Capacity Zone that may be cleared at a higher price, equals or is less than the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve, then the Forward Capacity Auction for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone is concluded and the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.
The Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone shall be set at the highest price at which the Total System Capacity is less than or equal to the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If the Forward Capacity Auction for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone is not concluded then the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction, and the auctioneer shall publish the Total System Capacity at the End-of-Round Price, adjusted to include the additional supply in the import-constrained Capacity Zone that may be cleared at a higher price, less the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve at the End-of-Round Price, and also shall publish the quantity of capacity from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price.

(c) **Export-Constrained Capacity Zones.** For a Capacity Zone modeled as an export-constrained Capacity Zone, if both of the following two conditions are met during the round:

1. the aggregate supply curve for the export-constrained Capacity Zone, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), is equal to or less than the maximum amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at a price of zero, and;

2. the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone;

then the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Zone is concluded and such Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Capacity Clearing Price for that Capacity Zone shall be set at the greater of: (1) the sum of the price specified by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the amount of capacity equal to the total amount that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation in the export-constrained Capacity Zone, and the Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, or; (2) the highest price of any offer or bid for a resource in the Capacity Zone that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation, and subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If it is not the case that both of the two conditions above are satisfied in the round, then the auctioneer shall publish the quantity of excess supply in the export-constrained Capacity Zone at the End-of-Round Price (the amount of capacity offered at the End-of-Round Price in the export-
constrained Capacity Zone minus the maximum amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at a price of zero) and the quantity of capacity in the Capacity Zone from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price, and that Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction.

(d) **Treatment of Import Capacity.** Where the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is less than or equal to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the capacity offers from those resources shall be treated as capacity offers in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with that interface. Where the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is greater than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the following provisions shall apply (separately for each such interface):

(i) For purposes of determining which capacity offers from the New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface shall clear and at what price, the offers over the interface shall be treated in the descending-clock auction as if they comprised a separately-modeled export-constrained capacity zone, with an aggregate supply curve consisting of the offers from the New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface.

(ii) The amount of capacity offered over the interface that will be included in the aggregate supply curve of the modeled Capacity Zone associated with the interface shall be the lesser of the following two quantities: the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface; and the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF).

(iii) The Forward Capacity Auction for New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface is concluded when the following two conditions are both satisfied: the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resource and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface is less than or equal to the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-
TF); and the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with the interface.

(e) **Treatment of Export Capacity.** Any Export Bid or any Administrative Export De-List Bid that is used to export capacity through an export interface connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone from another Capacity Zone, or through an export interface connected to the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone from an export-constrained Capacity Zone in the Forward Capacity Auction will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the export interface that is identified in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package is located. The Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid clears in the Capacity Zone where the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid is modeled.

(i) Then the MW quantity equal to the relevant Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid from the resource associated with the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid will be de-listed in the Capacity Zone where the resource is located. If the export interface is connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone, the MW quantity procured will be in addition to the amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve for the import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(ii) If the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid does not clear, then the resource associated with the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid will not be de-listed in the Capacity Zone where the resource is located.

III.13.2.3.4. **Determination of Final Capacity Zones.**

(a) For all Forward Capacity Auctions up to and including the sixth Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2015), after the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for all modeled Capacity Zones, the final set of distinct Capacity Zones that will be used for all purposes associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, shall be those having distinct Capacity Clearing Prices as a result of constraints between modeled Capacity Zones binding in the running of the Forward Capacity Auction. Where a modeled constraint does not bind in the Forward Capacity Auction, and as a result adjacent modeled Capacity Zones clear at the same Capacity Clearing Price, those modeled Capacity Zones shall be a single Capacity Zone used for all purposes of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals.
(b) For all Forward Capacity Auctions beginning with the seventh Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016) the final set of distinct Capacity Zones that will be used for all purposes associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, shall be those described in Section III.12.4.

III.13.2.4. Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price and the Cost of New Entry.
The Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price is max \([1.6 \times \text{Net CONE}, \text{CONE}]\). References in this Section III.13 to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price shall mean the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for the Forward Capacity Auction associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period.

CONE for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2021 is $11.35/kW-month.

Net CONE for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2021 is $8.04/kW-month.

CONE and Net CONE shall be recalculated using updated data coincident with the recalculation of Offer Review Trigger Prices pursuant to Section III.A.21.1.2. Whenever these values are recalculated, the ISO will review the results of the recalculation with stakeholders and the new values will be filed with the Commission prior to the Forward Capacity Auction in which the new value is to apply.

Between recalculations, CONE and Net CONE will be adjusted for each Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.A.21.1.2(e). Prior to applying the annual adjustment for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2019, Net CONE will be reduced by $0.43/kW-month to reflect the elimination of the PER adjustment. The adjusted CONE and Net CONE values will be published on the ISO’s web site.

III.13.2.5. Treatment of Specific Offer and Bid Types in the Forward Capacity Auction.
III.13.2.5.1. Offers from New Generating Capacity Resources, New Import Capacity Resources, and New Demand Resources.

A New Capacity Offer (other than one from a Conditional Qualified New Resource) clears (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction if the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than or equal to the price specified in the offer, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6. An offer from a Conditional Qualified New Resource clears (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6, if all of the following conditions are met: (i) the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than or equal to the price specified in the offer; (ii) capacity from that resource is considered in the determination of clearing as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(f); and (iii) such offer minimizes the costs for the associated Capacity Commitment Period, subject to Section III.13.2.7.7(e).

The amount of capacity that receives a Capacity Supply Obligation through the Forward Capacity Auction shall not exceed the quantity of capacity offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, or New Demand Resource at the Capacity Clearing Price.

III.13.2.5.2. Bids and Offers from Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources.

III.13.2.5.2.1. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(a) Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, a Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement De-List Bid or Proxy De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6.

(b) Unless the bid has been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, if all or part of a resource with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid does not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation), the Lead Market Participant shall enter the uncleared portion of the bid into the qualification process for the following Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.
(c) If the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than the price specified in a de-list bid submitted by a Lead Market Participant that elected conditional treatment for the de-list bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), and there is an associated Proxy De-List Bid that does not clear (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation), the resource will receive a Capacity Supply Obligation at the Capacity Clearing Price.

(d) The process by which the primary auction is cleared (but not the compilation of offers and bids pursuant to Sections III.13.2.3.1 and III.13.2.3.2) will be repeated after the substitution auction is completed if either one of the following conditions is met in the initial auction clearing process: (1) if any Proxy De-List Bid entered as a result of a Lead Market Participant electing to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) does not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process and retains some portion of its Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction; or (2) if any Proxy De-List Bid entered as a result of a Lead Market Participant electing conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) does not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process, and the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant is at or above the Capacity Clearing Price, and the Proxy De-List Bid retains some portion of its Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction. The second run of the primary auction-clearing process: (i) excludes all Proxy De-List Bid(s), (ii) includes the offers and bids of resources compiled pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2 that did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process but excluding the offers and bids, or portion thereof, associated with resources that acquired or shed a Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction, and (iii) includes the capacity of resources, or portion thereof, that retain received a Capacity Supply Obligation in after the first run of the primary auction-clearing process and the substitution auction. The second run of the primary auction-clearing process shall not affect the Capacity Clearing Price of the Forward Capacity Auction (which is established by the first run of the primary auction-clearing process).

(e) Resources (other than those still subject to a multi-year Capacity Commitment Period election as described in Sections III.13.1.2.2.4 and III.13.1.4.2.2.5) that receive a Capacity Supply Obligation as a result of the first run of the primary auction-clearing process shall be paid the Capacity Clearing Price during the associated Capacity Commitment Period. Where the second run of the primary auction-clearing process procures additional capacity, the resulting price, paid during the associated Capacity Commitment Period (and subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods, as elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to the additionally procured capacity, shall be equal to or
greater than the adjusted price resulting from the first run of the primary auction-clearing process for that Capacity Zone.

III.13.2.5.2.2. Static De-List Bids and Export Bids.
Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6.

III.13.2.5.2.3. Dynamic De-List Bids.
A Dynamic De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6. If more Dynamic De-List Bids are submitted at a price than are needed to clear the market, such Dynamic De-List Bids shall be cleared pro-rata, but in no case less than a resource’s Economic Minimum Limit.

III.13.2.5.2.4. Administrative Export De-List Bids.
An Administrative Export De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) regardless of the Capacity Clearing Price.

III.13.2.5.2.5. Reliability Review.
The ISO shall review each Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, and Dynamic De-List Bid and substitution auction demand bid to determine whether the capacity associated with that de-list bid is needed for reliability reasons during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction; Proxy De-List Bids shall not be reviewed.

(a) The reliability review will be conducted in descending price order using the price as finalized during qualification or as otherwise directed by the Commission. De-list bids with the same price will be reviewed in the order that produces the least negative impact to reliability; where bids are the same price and provide the same impact to reliability, they will be reviewed based on their submission time. If de-list bids with the same price are from a single generating station, they will be reviewed in an order that
seeks to provide (1) the least-cost solution under Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(d) and (2) the minimum aggregate quantity required for reliability from the generating station. The capacity shall be deemed needed for reliability reasons if the absence of the capacity would result in the violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria, or ISO New England System Rules. De-list bids shall only be rejected pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5 for the sole purpose of addressing a local reliability issue, and shall not be rejected solely on the basis that acceptance of the de-list bid may result in the procurement of less capacity than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) or the Local Sourcing Requirement for a Capacity Zone.

(b) If a Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, or Dynamic De-List Bid would otherwise clear in the Forward Capacity Auction, but the ISO has determined that some or all of the capacity associated with the de-list bid is needed for reliability reasons, then the de-list bid having capacity needed for reliability will not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction. If the ISO has determined that some or all of the capacity associated with a demand bid is needed for reliability reasons, then the entire demand bid will not be included in the substitution auction.

(c) The Lead Market Participant shall be notified that its de-list bid did not clear for reliability reasons at the later of: (i) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the auction price reaches the price of the de-list bid; or (ii) as soon as practicable after the time at which the ISO has determined that the de-list bid must be rejected for reliability reasons. In no event, however, shall a Lead Market Participant be notified that a bid submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5 and accepted in the qualification process for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource did not clear for reliability reasons if the associated New Generating Capacity Resource remains in the Forward Capacity Auction. In such a case, the Lead Market Participant shall be notified that its bid did not clear for reliability reasons at the later of: (i) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the auction price reaches the price of the bid; (ii) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the associated New Generating Capacity Resource is fully withdrawn (that is, the Forward Capacity Auction reaches a price at which the resource’s New Capacity Offer is zero capacity); or (iii) as soon as practicable after the time at which the ISO has determined that the bid must be rejected for reliability reasons.
(d) A resource that has a de-list bid rejected for reliability reasons shall be compensated pursuant to the terms set out in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 and shall have a Capacity Supply Obligation as described in Section III.13.6.1.

(e) The ISO shall review the results of each annual reconfiguration auction and determine whether the reliability need which caused the ISO to reject the de-list bid has been met through the annual reconfiguration auction. The ISO may also attempt to address the reliability concern through other reasonable means (including transmission enhancements).

(f) If the reliability need caused the ISO to reject the de-list bid is met through a reconfiguration auction or other means, the resource shall retain its Capacity Supply Obligation through the end of the Capacity Commitment Period for which it was retained for reliability.Resources that submitted (provided that resources that have Permanent De-List Bids or Retirement De-List Bids rejected for reliability shall be permanently de-listed or retired as of the first day of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Period (or earlier if the resource sheds the entirety of the Capacity Supply Obligation as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii) or Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(ii)).

(g) If a Permanent De-List Bid or a Retirement De-List Bid is rejected for reliability reasons, and the reliability need is not met through a reconfiguration auction or other means, that resource, or portion thereof, is no longer eligible to participate as an Existing Capacity Resource in any reconfiguration auction, Forward Capacity Auction or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for that and subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods. If the resource, or portion thereof, continues to be needed for reliability reasons, it shall be counted as capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and shall be compensated as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1.

(h) The ISO shall review with the Reliability Committee (i) the status of any prior rejected de-list bids reported to the Commission in an FCA results filing pursuant to Section 13.8.2, and (ii) the status of any Retirement De-List Bid or Permanent De-List Bid that has been rejected for reliability reasons and has elected to continue to operate, prior to the New Capacity Qualification Deadline in accordance with Section 4.1(c) of Attachment K of the ISO OATT.

If an identified reliability need results in the rejection of a Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, or Dynamic De-List Bid while executing an FCA, the ISO shall (i) review each specific reliability need with the Reliability
III.13.2.5.2.5.1. Compensation for Bids Rejected for Reliability Reasons.

(a) In cases where a Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Dynamic De-List Bid, partial Permanent De-List Bid, or partial Retirement De-List Bid has been rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, the resource will be paid by the ISO in the same manner as all other capacity resources, except that payment shall be made on the basis of its de-list bid as accepted for the Forward Capacity Auction for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period instead of the Forward Capacity Market Clearing Price. Under this Section, accepted Dynamic De-List Bids filed with the Commission as part of the FCA results filing are subject to review and approval by the Commission pursuant to the “just and reasonable” standard of Section 205 of the Federal Power Act. If a resource with a partial Permanent De-List Bid or partial Retirement De-List Bid continues to be needed for reliability in Capacity Commitment Periods following the Capacity Commitment Period for which the partial Permanent De-List Bid or partial Retirement De-List Bid was rejected, payment will continue to be pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(a).

(b) In cases where a Permanent De-List Bid or a Retirement De-List Bid for the capacity of an entire resource has been rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, the resource will be paid either (i) in the same manner as all other capacity resources, except that payment shall be made on the basis of its Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period instead of the Forward Capacity Market Clearing Price or (ii) under the terms of a cost-of-service agreement pursuant to Section III, Appendix I. Resources must notify the ISO of their election within six months after the ISO files the results of the relevant Forward Capacity Auction with the Commission. A resource that has had a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid rejected for reliability reasons and does not notify the ISO of its election as described in this paragraph will be paid on the basis of the resource’s Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid. Cost-of-service agreements must be filed with and approved by the Commission, and cost-of-service compensation may not commence until the Commission has approved the use of cost-of-service rates for the unit in question or has accepted the use of the cost-of-service rates subject to refund while the rate is reviewed. In no event will payment under the cost-of-service agreement start prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period.
Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was submitted. If a resource continues to be needed for reliability in Capacity Commitment Periods following the Capacity Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was rejected, payment will continue to be pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(b). Resources that elect payment based on the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid may file with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act to update its Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid if the unit is retained for reliability for a period longer than the Capacity Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was originally submitted.

(c) The difference between payments based on resource de-list bids or cost-of-service compensation as detailed in this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 and payments based on the market clearing price for the Forward Capacity Market under this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 shall be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region.

(d) **Compensation for Existing Generating Capacity Resources at Stations with Common Costs that are Retained for Reliability.** If a Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid from an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs is rejected for reliability reasons, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource will be paid as follows: (i) if one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources at the Station assume a Capacity Supply Obligation through the normal clearing of the Forward Capacity Auction and one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources are retained for reliability, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resources retained for reliability will be paid the sum of the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for the assets comprising that Existing Generating Capacity Resource; or (ii) if no Existing Generating Capacity Resources at the Station assumes a Capacity Supply Obligation through the normal clearing of the Forward Capacity Auction and one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources are retained for reliability, then each Existing Generating Capacity Resource retained for reliability will be paid the sum of the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for the assets associated with that Existing Generating Capacity Resource plus a portion of the Station Going Forward Common Costs (such that the full amount of Station Going Forward Common Costs are allocated to the Existing Generating Capacity Resources retained for reliability).

**III.13.2.5.2.5.2.** Incremental Cost of Reliability Service From Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid Resources.
In cases where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource or Existing Demand Resource has had a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for the entire resource rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, does not elect to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d), and must make a capital improvement to the unit to remain in operation in order to continue to operate to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO, the resource may make application to the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act to receive just and reasonable compensation of the capital investment pursuant to the following:

(a) **Notice to State Utility Commissions, the ISO and Stakeholder Committees of Expectation that a Capital Expense will be Necessary to Meet the Reliability Need Identified by the ISO:** A resource seeking to avail itself of the recovery mechanism provided in this Section must notify the state utility commissions in the states where rate payers will fund the capital improvement, the ISO, and the Participants Committee of its intent to make the capital expenditure and the need for the expenditure. This notification must be made at least 120 days prior to the resource making the capital expenditure.

(b) **Required Showing Made to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission:** In order to receive just and reasonable compensation for a capital expenditure under this Section, a resource must file an explanation of need with the Commission that explains why the capital expenditure is necessary in order to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO. This showing must demonstrate that the expenditure is reasonably determined to be the least-cost commercially reasonable option consistent with Good Utility Practice to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO. If the resource elects cost-of-service treatment pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(b), the Incremental Cost of Reliability Service filing described in this Section must be made separately from and may be made in advance of the resource’s cost-of-service filing.

(c) **Allocation:** Costs of capital expenditures approved by the Commission under this provision shall be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region.

III.13.2.5.2.5.3. **Retirement and Permanent De-Listing of Resources.**

(a)(i) A resource, or portion thereof, will be retired coincident with the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the Retirement De-List Bid was submitted, or earlier as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii), if the resource: submitted a Retirement De-List Bid that was not included in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5(d); elected to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; was
subject to conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) for a Retirement De-List Bid with a submitted price at or above the Capacity Clearing Price and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; had a Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid clear in the Forward Capacity Auction; or, for a resource, or portion thereof, that submitted a Permanent De-List Bid, elected to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1. In the case of a Retirement De-List Bid rejected for reliability, if the reliability need that resulted in the rejection for reliability is met, the resource, or portion thereof, will be retired coincident with the end of Capacity Supply Obligation (or earlier as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii)) unless the Commission directs that the obligation to retire be removed or the retirement date extended as part of an Incremental Cost of Reliability Service filing made pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.2. The interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource, or portion thereof, will be converted to retired on the date of retirement, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT.

(a)(ii) A resource, or portion thereof, that is to be retired pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(i) may retire the resource, or portion thereof, earlier than the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Retirement De-List Bid was submitted if it is able to transfer the relevant Capacity Supply Obligation of the resource to another resource through one or more approved Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral transactions as described in Section III.13.5.1 or reconfiguration auctions as described in Section III.13.4.1. A resource, or portion thereof, electing to retire pursuant to this provision must notify the ISO in writing of its election to retire and the date of retirement. The interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource, or portion thereof, will be converted to retired on the date of retirement, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT.

(b)(i) A resource, or portion thereof, will be permanently de-listed from the Forward Capacity Market as of the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Permanent De-List Bid was submitted, or earlier as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(ii), if the resource: submitted a Permanent De-List Bid that was not included in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5(d); was subject to conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) for a Permanent De-List Bid with a submitted price at or above the Capacity Clearing Price and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; or had a Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid clear in the Forward Capacity Auction. The CNR Capability interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will be adjusted downward to reflect the Permanent De-List Bid, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT. A resource that permanently de-lists pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(i) is
precluded from subsequent participation in the Forward Capacity Market unless it qualifies as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.

(b)(ii) A resource, or portion thereof, that is to be permanently de-listed pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(i) may be permanently de-listed earlier than the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Permanent De-List Bid was submitted if it is able to transfer the entire Capacity Supply Obligation of the resource to another resource through one or more approved Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral transactions as described in Section III.13.5.1 or reconfiguration auctions as described in Section III.13.4.

(c) A resource that has never been counted as a capacity resource may retire the asset by notifying the ISO in writing of its election to retire and the date of retirement. The date specified for retirement is subject to the limit for resource inactivity set out in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(d). The interconnection rights for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource will be converted to retired on the date of retirement.

(d) A resource that does not operate commercially for a period of three calendar years will be deemed by the ISO to be retired. The interconnection rights for the unit will terminate and the status of the unit will be converted to retired on the date of retirement. Where a generator has submitted an application to repower under Schedule 22 or 23 of the OATT, the current interconnection space will be maintained beyond the three years unless the application under Schedule 22 or 23 is withdrawn voluntarily or by the operation of those provisions. Where an application is withdrawn under Schedule 22 or 23, the three year period will be calculated from the last day of commercial operation of the resource.

Except for Dynamic De-List Bids, Export Bids, and offers from New Import Capacity Resources that are subject to rationing pursuant to Section III.13.1.3.5.8 and Existing Import Capacity Resources that are subject to rationing pursuant to Section III.13.1.3.3.A, offers and bids in the Forward Capacity Auction must clear or not clear in whole, unless the offer or bid specifically indicates that it may be rationed. A resource may elect to be rationed to either its Economic Minimum Limit or a level above its Economic Minimum Limit. These levels are submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3. Offers from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources will not be rationed where such rationing would violate any applicable physical minimum flow requirements on the associated interface. Export
Bids may elect to be rationed generally, but regardless of such election will always be subject to potential rationing where the associated external interface binds. If more Dynamic De-List Bids are submitted at a price than are needed to clear the market, the bids shall be cleared pro-rata, subject to honoring the Economic Minimum Limit of the resources. Where an offer or bid may be rationed, such rationing may not result in procuring an amount of capacity that is below the associated resource’s Economic Minimum Limit.

### III.13.2.7. Determination of Capacity Clearing Prices.

The Capacity Clearing Price in each Capacity Zone shall be the price established by the descending clock auction as described in Section III.13.2.3, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2. The Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone and the Capacity Clearing Price for each import-constrained Capacity Zone shall not exceed the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Capacity Clearing Price for an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be less than zero.

#### III.13.2.7.1. Import-Constrained Capacity Zone Capacity Clearing Price Floor.

The Capacity Clearing Price in an import-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be lower than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. If after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted, the Capacity Clearing Price in an import-constrained Capacity Zone is less than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, all resources clearing in the import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be paid based on the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone during the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

#### III.13.2.7.2. Export-Constrained Capacity Zone Capacity Clearing Price Ceiling.

The Capacity Clearing Price in an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be higher than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. If after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted, the Capacity Clearing Price in an export-constrained Capacity Zone is higher than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, all resources clearing in the export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be paid based on the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone during the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

#### III.13.2.7.3. Capacity Clearing Price Floor.
In the Forward Capacity Auctions for the Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2013, June 1, 2014, June 1, 2015, and June 1, 2016 only, the following additional provisions regarding the Capacity Clearing Price shall apply in all Capacity Zones (and in the application of Section III.13.2.3.3(d)(iii)):

(a) [Reserved.]

(b) The Capacity Clearing Price shall not fall below 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 below $3.15). Where the Capacity Clearing Price reaches 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 reaches $3.15), offers shall be prorated such that no more than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) is procured in the Forward Capacity Auction, as follows:

(i) The total payment to all listed capacity resources during the associated Capacity Commitment Period shall be equal to 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 shall be equal to $3.15) times the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) applicable in the Forward Capacity Auction.

(ii) Payments to individual listed resources shall be prorated based on the total number of MWs of capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction (receiving a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period).

(iii) Suppliers may instead prorate their bid MWs of participation in the Forward Capacity Market by partially de-listing one or more resources. Regardless of any such proration, the full amount of capacity that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction will be ineligible for treatment as new capacity in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions (except as provided under Section III.13.1.1.1.2).

(iv) Any proration shall be subject to reliability review. Where proration is rejected for reliability reasons, the resource’s payment shall not be prorated as described in subsection (ii) above, and the difference between its actual payment based on the Capacity Clearing Price and what its payment would have been had prorationing not been rejected for reliability reasons shall
be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region. In this case, the total payment described in subsection (i) above will increase accordingly.

(v) Any election to prorate bid MWs associated with a New Capacity Offer that clears in the Forward Capacity Auction shall also apply in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5.

### III.13.2.7.3A. Treatment of Imports.

At the Capacity Clearing Price, if the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between an external Control Area and the New England Control Area is greater than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF):

(a) the full amount of capacity offered at that price from Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) shall clear, unless that amount of capacity is greater than the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), in which case the capacity offered at that price from Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) shall be rationed such that the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) is not exceeded; and

(b) if there is space remaining over the interface after the allocation described in subsection (a) above, then the capacity offered at that price from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources other than Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with the contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) will be rationed such that the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) is not exceeded. If the capacity offered at that price by any single New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource that is not associated with the contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) is greater than the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the capacity offered by that resource that is above the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) shall not be included in the rationing.
III.13.2.7.4. **Effect of Capacity Rationing Rule on Capacity Clearing Price.**

Where the requirement that offers and bids clear or not clear in whole (Section III.13.2.6) prohibits the descending clock auction in its normal progression from clearing one or more Capacity Zones at the precise amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curves specified in Section III.13.2.2, then the auctioneer shall analyze the aggregate supply curve to determine cleared capacity offers and Capacity Clearing Prices that seek to maximize social surplus for the associated Capacity Commitment Period. The clearing algorithm may result in offers below the Capacity Clearing Price not clearing, and in de-list bids below the Capacity Clearing Price clearing.

III.13.2.7.5. **Effect of Decremental Repowerings on the Capacity Clearing Price.**

Where the effect of accounting for certain repowering offers and bids (as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(e)) results in the auction not clearing at the lowest price for the required quantity of capacity, then the auctioneer will conduct additional auction rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction as necessary to minimize capacity costs.

III.13.2.7.6. **Minimum Capacity Award.**

Each offer (excluding offers from Conditional Qualified New Resources that do not satisfy the conditions specified in Sections III.13.2.5.1(i)-(iii)) clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction shall be awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation at least as great as the amount of capacity offered at the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction. For Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources, the Capacity Supply Obligation for months in the winter period (as described in Section III.13.1.5) shall be adjusted based on its winter Qualified Capacity as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6 and Section III.13.1.2.2.2.

III.13.2.7.7. **Tie-Breaking Rules.**

Where the provisions in this Section III.13.2 for clearing the Forward Capacity Auction (system-wide or in a single Capacity Zone) result in a tie – that is, where two or more resources offer sufficient capacity at prices that would clear the auction at the same minimum costs – the auctioneer shall apply the following rules (in sequence, as necessary) to determine clearing:

(a) [Reserved.]

(b) If multiple projects may be rationed, they will be rationed proportionately.
(c) Where clearing either the offer associated with a resource with a higher queue priority at a Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location or the offer associated with the Conditional Qualified New Resource would result in equal costs, the offer associated with the resource with the higher queue priority shall clear.

(d) The offer associated with the Project Sponsor having the lower market share in the capacity auction (including Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources) shall be cleared.


III.13.2.8.1. Administration of Substitution Auctions.
Following the completion of the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction as provided for in Section III.13.2, the ISO shall conduct a substitution auction, using a static double auction to clear supply offers (offers to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation) and demand bids (bids to shed a Capacity Supply Obligation). Supply offers and demand bids will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the associated resources are electrically interconnected.

The substitution auction shall maximize total social surplus as specified by the demand bids and supply offers used in the auction. The maximization is constrained as follows:

(i) By the external interface limits modeled in the primary auction-clearing process.

(ii) Such that the net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero.

(iii) Such that, for each import-constrained Capacity Zone, if the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction is less than the zone threshold quantity specified below, then the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero; otherwise, the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is greater than or equal to the zone threshold quantity specified below.
(iv) Such that, for each export-constrained Capacity Zone, if the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction is greater than the zone threshold quantity specified below, then the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero; otherwise, the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is less than or equal to the zone threshold quantity specified below.

In applying constraint (iii), the zone threshold quantity for an import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be equal to the sum of its Capacity Zone Demand Curve truncation point quantity specified in Section III.13.2.2.2 and the total quantity of any Export Bids and any Administrative Export De-List for which the exporting resource is located outside the import-constrained Capacity Zone, that are used to export capacity across an external interface connected to the import-constrained Capacity Zone, and that cleared in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction.

In applying constraint (iv), the zone threshold quantity for an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be equal to its Capacity Zone Demand Curve truncation point quantity specified in Section III.13.2.2.3 less the total quantity of any Export Bids and any Administrative Export De-List Bids for which the exporting resource is located in the export-constrained Capacity Zone, that are used to export capacity across an external interface connected to either the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone or an import-constrained Capacity Zone, and that cleared in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction.

In applying constraints (iii) and (iv), a zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction shall include the Capacity Supply Obligations of Import Capacity Resources at each external interface connected to the Capacity Zone.

In cases in which there are multiple clearing outcomes that would each maximize the substitution auction’s objective, the following tie-breaking rules will apply in the following sequence: (i) non-rational demand bids associated with Lead Market Participants having the largest total FCA Qualified Capacity of Existing Capacity Resources will be cleared first; and (ii) rational supply offers and demand bids associated with Proxy De-List Bids will be cleared in proportion to their offer or bid quantity.
For Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources, other than those participating as the summer resource in a Composite FCM Transaction, the cleared award for supply offers and demand bids shall be adjusted for the months in the winter period (as described in Section III.13.1.5) using the ratio of the resource’s cleared offer or bid amount divided by its FCA Qualified Capacity multiplied by its winter Qualified Capacity as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6 and Section III.13.1.2.2.2. Provided the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity is not zero, the pro-rata adjustment will add to the amount of the cleared offer or bid award for the months in the winter period.

The cleared offer amount awarded to a Composite FCM Transaction in the substitution auction will be assigned to the summer and winter resources for their respective obligation months during the Capacity Commitment Period as described in Section III.13.1.5.

If, after the substitution auction, a resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation below its Economic Minimum Limit, it must meet the requirements of Section III.13.6.1.1.1.

**III.13.2.8.1.2. Substitution Auction Pricing.**

The substitution auction will specify clearing prices for Capacity Zones and external interfaces as follows.

For each import-constrained Capacity Zone, if the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is greater than its zone threshold quantity specified in Section III.13.2.8.1.1, then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction in the import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be treated as offers and bids in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

For each export-constrained Capacity Zone, if the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is less than its zone threshold quantity specified in Section III.13.2.8.1.1, then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction in the export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be treated as offers and bids in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

The substitution auction clearing prices for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone and for any constrained zones pooled with the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for pricing purposes shall be determined by the price of the
demand bid or supply offer that is marginal. If a demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal, then the substitution auction clearing prices shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Prices.

The substitution auction clearing price for a constrained Capacity Zone that is not pooled with the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for pricing purposes shall be determined by the price of the demand bid or supply offer associated with the separately-priced constrained Capacity Zone that is marginal. If a demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal, then the substitution auction clearing price shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Price.

If the net quantity of Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary Forward Capacity Auction and substitution auction over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is less than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction at the interface shall be treated as offers and bids in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with that interface for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

If the net quantity of Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary Forward Capacity Auction and substitution auction over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is equal to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the substitution auction clearing price for that interface will be determined by the demand bid or supply offer that is marginal at that interface. If a cleared demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal at the external interface, then the substitution auction clearing price for that interface shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Price for that interface.

The substitution auction clearing price at an external interface shall not exceed the substitution auction clearing price in the Capacity Zone connected to the external interface.

If, pursuant to the rules specified above, the substitution auction clearing price for any Capacity Zone or external interface would exceed the Capacity Clearing Price for that location, the substitution auction clearing price for that location only is set equal to its Capacity Clearing Price.

The substitution auction clearing price for any Capacity Zone or external interface cannot be less than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.8.2. Supply Offers in the Substitution Auction.
III.13.2.8.2.1. **Supply Offers.**

To participate as supply in the substitution auction, a Project Sponsor for a New Capacity Resource must meet the following criteria:

(a) The Project Sponsor and the New Capacity Resource must meet all the requirements for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction specified in Section III.13.1.

(b) The Project Sponsor must elect to have the resource participate in the substitution auction during the New Capacity Show of Interest Window. Pursuant to an election, the resource’s total amount of FCA Qualified Capacity will be obligated to participate in the substitution auction, regardless of whether the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity was prorated pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.10, and subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.8.2.

(c) The Project Sponsor must certify that the New Capacity Resource is a Sponsored Policy Resource as part of the submission of the New Capacity Qualification Package.

Substitution auction supply offers are rationable.

A resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) is not eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction.

A Composite FCM Transaction comprised of a summer resource that is a Sponsored Policy Resource is eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction.

A Conditional Qualified New Resource may participate in the substitution auction provided that the resource with which it has overlapping interconnection impacts: (i) did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation, fully or partially, in the primary auction-clearing process, and: (ii) is not eligible to participate in the substitution auction. A resource having a higher priority in the queue than a Conditional Qualified New Resource with which it has overlapping interconnection impact may participate in the substitution auction provided that the Conditional Qualified New Resource did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation, fully or partially, in the primary auction-clearing process.
**III.13.2.8.2.2. Supply Offer Prices.**

Project Sponsors must submit substitution auction supply offer prices no later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources.

A substitution auction supply offer must be in the form of a curve (with up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may not decrease in quantity as the price increases. A supply offer price for the substitution auction may not be greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price or lower than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

If the offer quantity does not equal the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity, the quantity for which no offer price was submitted will be assigned a price equal to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

**III.13.2.8.2.3. Supply Offers Entered into the Substitution Auction.**

Supply offers for resources that satisfy all of the criteria in Section III.13.2.8.2.1 to participate in the substitution auction may be adjusted prior to conducting the substitution auction-clearing process using the following adjustments:

(a) Any portion of a resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity that was cleared (received a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the primary auction-clearing process will be removed from the resource’s substitution auction supply offer beginning with the lowest priced price-quantity pairs.

(b) After performing the adjustment specified in Section III.13.2.8.2.3(a), any price-quantity pairs in a resource’s substitution auction supply offer with a price greater than the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface are removed from the offer.

**III.13.2.8.3. Demand Bids in the Substitution Auction.**

**III.13.2.8.3.1. Demand Bids.**

Market Participants with Existing Generating Capacity Resources or Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with External Elective Transmission Upgrades may elect to submit demand bids for the substitution auction for those resources by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. The election must specify the total amount of the resource’s Qualified Capacity that will be associated with its demand bid.
A resource must have achieved all of the milestones specified in Section III.13.1.2.2.2, no later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(b) in order to participate as demand in the substitution auction.

Regardless of whether an election is made, a demand bid is required for any portion of a resource that is associated with a Retirement De-List Bid.

A resource for which a demand bid election has been made cannot participate in a Composite FCM Transaction and cannot be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource.

Demand bids are non-rationable.

A demand bid will be entered into the substitution auction for the portion of the resource that receives a Capacity Supply Obligation in the primary auction-clearing process, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.8.3. A resource, or portion thereof, associated with a cleared demand bid shall be retired from all New England Markets (except that a resource, or portion thereof, associated with a cleared demand bid that is associated with a Proxy De-List Bid and a Permanent De-List Bid which has not been elected to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) shall be retired only from the capacity market) at the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction.

**III.13.2.8.3.2. Demand Bid Prices.**

Market Participants must submit substitution auction demand bid prices no later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources.

A substitution auction demand bid must be in the form of a curve (with up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may not decrease in quantity as the price decreases. A demand bid price for the substitution auction may not be greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price or lower than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

If the bid quantity does not equal the total bid amount submitted by the Market Participant or required for a Retirement De-List Bid pursuant to Section III.13.2.8.3.1, the quantity for which no bid price was specified will be assigned a price equal to negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.
III.13.2.8.3.3. **Demand Bids Entered into the Substitution Auction.**

If a resource is determined to be needed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, then any demand bid associated with the resource will not be included in the substitution auction.

Demand bids for resources that satisfy all of the criteria in Section III.13.2.8.3.1 to participate in the substitution auction may be adjusted prior to conducting the substitution auction-clearing process using the following adjustments:

(a) Any portion of a resource’s demand bid that exceeds its Capacity Supply Obligation awarded in the primary auction-clearing process will be removed from the substitution auction demand bid beginning with the highest priced price-quantity pairs.

(b) After performing the modification specified in Section III.13.2.8.3.3(a), any price-quantity pairs in a resource’s substitution auction demand bid with a price greater than the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface will have its price reduced to the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface.

Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.1(c), a rationable demand bid will be entered into the substitution auction on behalf of any Proxy De-List Bid associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The demand bid quantity will equal the portion of the Proxy De-List Bid that was not cleared (received a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process. The demand bid will have priority to clear before non-rationable demand bids.
III.13.4. Reconfiguration Auctions.
For each Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct annual and monthly reconfiguration auctions as described in this Section III.13.4. Reconfiguration auctions only permit the trading of Capacity Supply Obligations; load obligations are not traded in reconfiguration auctions. Each reconfiguration auction shall use a static double auction (respecting the interface limits and capacity requirements modeled as specified in Sections III.13.4.5 and III.13.4.7) to clear supply offers (i.e., offers to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation) and demand bids (i.e., bids to shed a Capacity Supply Obligation) for each Capacity Zone included in the reconfiguration auction. Supply offers and demand bids will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the associated resources are electrically interconnected. Resources that are able to meet the requirements in other Capacity Zones shall be allowed to clear to meet such requirements, subject to the constraints modeled in the auction.

III.13.4.1. Capacity Zones Included in Reconfiguration Auctions.
Each reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period shall include each of, and only, the final Capacity Zones and external interfaces as determined through the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, as described in Section III.13.2.3.4.

III.13.4.2. Participation in Reconfiguration Auctions.
Each supply offer and demand bid in a reconfiguration auction must be associated with a specific resource, and must satisfy the requirements of this Section III.13.4.2. All resource types may submit supply offers and demand bids in reconfiguration auctions, except Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources which may only submit demand bids. In accordance with Section III.A.9.2 of Appendix A of this Market Rule 1, supply offers and demand bids submitted for reconfiguration auctions shall not be subject to mitigation by the Internal Market Monitor. A supply offer or demand bid submitted for a reconfiguration auction shall not be limited by the associated resource’s Economic Minimum Limit. Offers composed of separate resources may not participate in reconfiguration auctions. Participation in any reconfiguration auction is conditioned on full compliance with the applicable financial assurance requirements as provided in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy at the time of the offer and bid deadline. For annual reconfiguration auctions, the offer and bid deadline will be announced by the ISO no later than 30 days prior to that deadline. No later than 15 days before the offer and bid deadline for an annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall notify each resource of the amount of capacity that it may offer or bid in that auction, as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2. For monthly reconfiguration auctions, the offer and bid deadline will be announced by the ISO no later than 10
Business Days prior to that deadline. Upon issuance of the monthly bilateral results for the associated obligation month, the ISO shall notify each resource of the amount of capacity that it may offer or bid in that monthly auction, as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2. For monthly reconfiguration auctions in which the most recently approved Winter Seasonal Claimed Capability established as of the fifth Business Day in June of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period is greater than the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity for the third annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall apply the greater of these two values to offer limits starting with the first monthly reconfiguration auction in the winter delivery period for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability.

III.13.4.2.1. Supply Offers.
Submission of supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be governed by this Section III.13.4.2.1. All supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be submitted by the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant, and shall specify the resource, the amount of capacity offered in MW, and the price, in dollars per kW/month. In no case may capacity associated with a Retirement De-List Bid or a Permanent De-List Bid that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction, or a demand bid that cleared in a substitution auction, for a Capacity Commitment Period be offered in a reconfiguration auction for that, or any subsequent, Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof. In no case may capacity associated with an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period be offered in a reconfiguration auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof.

III.13.4.2.1.1. Amount of Capacity That May Be Submitted in a Supply Offer in an Annual Reconfiguration Auction.
For each month of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall calculate the difference between the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity, as applicable, and the amount of capacity from that resource that is already subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for the month. The minimum of these 12 values shall be the amount of capacity up to which a resource may submit a supply offer in the annual reconfiguration auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2. Calculation of Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
III.13.4.2.1.2.1. First Annual Reconfiguration Auction and Second Annual Reconfiguration Auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1. Generating Capacity Resources Other than Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the higher of the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity as calculated for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and any summer Seasonal Claimed Capability values for summer periods completed after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period and before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and where the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):
(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the higher of the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity as calculated for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and any winter Seasonal Claimed Capability values for winter periods completed after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period and before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and where the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.  Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1.  Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.3. Import Capacity Resources Backed By an External Control Area.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to its summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.3.1. Import Capacity Resources Backed by One or More External Resources.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources shall be the greater of:

(a) the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period; and
(b) the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October and, if submitted for a New Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources, also subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(b), III.13.1.3.5.2, and III.13.3.1.1 and the relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4.  Demand Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4.1.  Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4.2.  Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which
the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.  Third Annual Reconfiguration Auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.  Generating Capacity Resources other than Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.1.  Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed summer period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.2.  Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):
(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed winter period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2. Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of its most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity and its summer Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently competed summer period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of its most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity and its winter Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed winter period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3. Import Capacity Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3.1 Import Capacity Resources Backed by an External Control Area.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to the lesser of its summer Qualified Capacity as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October. For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to the lesser of its winter Qualified Capacity as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3.2. Import Capacity Resources Backed by One or More External Resources.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources shall be the lesser of:

(a) the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined by the most recent Forward Capacity Auction that does not reflect a change to the Import Capacity Resource applicable to that Capacity Commitment Period; and

(b) the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October and, if submitted for a New Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources, also subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(b), III.13.1.3.5.2, and III.13.3.1.1 and the relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.4. Demand Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.4.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of: (i) its most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity and (ii) its summer Seasonal DR Audit value in effect after the most recently completed summer season or its Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit performed during the most recently completed summer season, whichever is more recent.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.4.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of: (i) its most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity and (ii) its winter Seasonal DR Audit value in effect after the most recently completed winter season or its Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit performed during the most recently completed winter season, whichever is more recent.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.3. Adjustment for Significant Decreases in Capacity.
For each month of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the third annual reconfiguration auction, for each resource that has achieved Commercial Operation, the ISO shall subtract the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity, as applicable, from the amount of capacity from the resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for the month. For the month associated with the greatest of these 12 values (for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or before June 1, 2019) or the least of these 12 values (for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2020), if the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity (as applicable) is below the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month by:

(1) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or before June 1, 2019, more than the lesser of:

   (i) 20 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or;

   (ii) 40 MW;

(2) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2020, June 1, 2021 and June 1, 2022, more than the lesser of:

   (i) the greater of 20 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;
(ii) 40 MW;

(3) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of:
   (i) the greater of 10 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;
   (ii) 10 MW;

then the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The Lead Market Participant may submit a written plan to the ISO with any necessary supporting documentation describing the measures that will be taken and demonstrating that the resource will be able to provide an amount of capacity consistent with its total Capacity Supply Obligation for the Capacity Commitment Period by the start of all months in that Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation. If submitted, such a plan must be received by the ISO no later than 10 Business Days after the ISO has notified the Lead Market Participant of its Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity for the third annual reconfiguration auction.

(b) If no such plan as described in Section III.13.4.2.1.3(a) is timely submitted to the ISO, or if such a plan is timely submitted but the ISO determines that the plan does not demonstrate that the resource will be able to provide the necessary amount of capacity by the start of all months in the Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation, then the ISO shall enter a demand bid at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price on behalf of the resource (with all payments, charges, rights, obligations, and other results associated with such bid applying to the resource as if the resource itself had submitted the bid) in the third annual reconfiguration auction in an amount equal to:

   (1) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning prior to June 1, 2020, the greatest of the 12 monthly values determined pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2.1.3;
   (2) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2020, June 1, 2021 and June 1, 2022, where the Capacity Supply Obligation and Qualified Capacity values are those for the month in which the values as determined pursuant to Section III.13.4.2.1.3 vary the least, the greater of:
      (i) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus (Qualified Capacity divided by 0.8), and;
      (ii) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus Qualified Capacity minus 40 MW;
   (3) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, where the Capacity Supply Obligation and Qualified Capacity values are those for the month in which the values as determined pursuant to Section III.13.4.2.1.3 vary the least, the greater of:
(i) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus (Qualified Capacity divided by 0.9), and;
(ii) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus Qualified Capacity minus 10 MW.

(c) For Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020, if the ISO determines that the resource is not able to provide the necessary amount of capacity by the start of all months in the Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation, and if the resource was part of an offer composed of separate resources when it qualified to participate in the relevant Forward Capacity Auction, then before a demand bid is entered for the resource pursuant to subsection (b) above, the resource may submit monthly Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Section III.13.5, to cover the deficiency for the months of the Capacity Commitment Period in which the Capacity Supply Obligation is associated with participation in an offer composed of separate resource prior to the third annual reconfiguration auction, but in no case may such a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for a month be for an amount of capacity greater than the difference between the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the month and the resource’s lowest monthly Capacity Supply Obligation during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.2.1.4. Amount of Capacity That May Be Submitted in a Supply Offer in a Monthly Reconfiguration Auction.

A resource that has not achieved Commercial Operation may not submit a supply offer for that reconfiguration auction, unless the resource has a negative Capacity Supply Obligation, in which case it may submit a supply offer for that reconfiguration auction in an amount up to the absolute value of its Capacity Supply Obligation. The amount of capacity up to which a resource may submit a supply offer in a monthly reconfiguration auction shall be the difference (but in no case less than zero) between (i) the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.4.2, as applicable, for the auction month for the third annual reconfiguration auction for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (ii) the amount of capacity from that resource that is already subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month. However, a resource may not submit a supply offer for a monthly reconfiguration auction if it is on an approved outage during that month.

III.13.4.2.1.5. ISO Review of Supply Offers.

Supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure the regional and local adequacy achieved through the Forward Capacity Auction and other reliability needs are maintained. The ISO’s reviews will consider the location and operating and rating limitations of resources associated with
cleared supply offers to ensure reliability standards will remain satisfied if the offer is accepted. The ISO shall reject supply offers that would otherwise clear in a reconfiguration auction that will result in a violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria, or ISO New England System Rules during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the reconfiguration auction. The ISO’s reliability reviews will assess such offers, beginning with the marginal resource, based on operable capacity needs while considering any approved or interim approved transmission outage information and any approved generation or Demand Response Resource outage information, and will include transmission security studies. Supply offers that cannot meet the applicable reliability needs will be rejected in their entirety and the resource will not be rejected in part. Rejected resources will not be further included in clearing the reconfiguration auction and the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor, as appropriate, shall be notified as soon as practicable after the reconfiguration auction of the rejection and of the reliability need prompting such rejection.

III.13.4.2.2. Demand Bids in Reconfiguration Auctions.

Submission of demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be governed by this Section III.13.4.2.2. All demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be submitted by the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant, and shall specify the amount of capacity bid in MW, and the price, in dollars per kW/month.

(a) To submit a demand bid in a reconfiguration auction, a resource must have a Capacity Supply Obligation for the Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) associated with that reconfiguration auction. Where capacity associated with a Self-Supplied FCA Resource that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period is offered in a reconfiguration auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof, a resource acquiring a Capacity Supply Obligation shall not as a result become a Self-Supplied FCA Resource.

(b) Each demand bid submitted to the ISO for reconfiguration auction shall be no greater than the amount of the resource’s capacity that is already obligated for the Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) as of the offer and bid deadline for the reconfiguration auction.

(c) All demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure the regional and local adequacy achieved through the Forward Capacity Auction and other reliability needs are maintained. The ISO’s reviews will consider the location and operating and rating limitations of resources associated with demand bids that would otherwise clear to ensure reliability standards will remain satisfied if the committed capacity is withdrawn. The ISO shall reject demand bids that would otherwise
clear in a reconfiguration auction that will result in a violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria or ISO New England System Rules during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the reconfiguration auction, provided that for annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2018, the ISO shall not reject a demand bid solely on the basis that acceptance of the demand bid may result in the procurement of less capacity than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs). For monthly reconfiguration auctions, the ISO shall obtain and consider information from the Local Control Center regarding whether the capacity associated with demand bids that would otherwise clear from resources with a Capacity Supply Obligation is needed for local system conditions. The ISO’s reliability reviews will assess such bids, beginning with the marginal resource, based on operable capacity needs while considering any approved or interim approved transmission outage information and any approved generation or Demand Response Resource outage information, and will include transmission security studies. Where the applicable reliability needs cannot be met if a Demand Bid is cleared, such Demand Bids will be rejected in their entirety and the resource will not be rejected in part. Demand Bids from rejected resources will not be further included in clearing the reconfiguration auction, and the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor, as appropriate, shall be notified as soon as practicable after the reconfiguration auction of the rejection and of the reliability need prompting such rejection.

III.13.4.3. ISO Participation in Reconfiguration Auctions.

Section III.13.4.3 is applicable for reconfiguration auctions associated with Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020.

The ISO shall not submit supply offers or demand bids in monthly reconfiguration auctions. The ISO shall submit supply offers and demand bids in annual reconfiguration auctions as appropriate to address year-to-year changes in the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), Local Sourcing Requirements and Maximum Capacity Limits for the associated Capacity Commitment Period, to procure capacity not purchased in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the “Inadequate Supply” rule for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015, to procure any shortfall in capacity resulting from a resource’s achieving Commercial Operation at a level less than that resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation or other significant decreases in capacity, and to address any changes in external interface limits, as follows:

(a) For each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or before June 1, 2017, the ISO shall submit supply offers and demand bids in annual reconfiguration auctions as appropriate to ensure that the
applicable Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), Local Sourcing Requirements, Maximum Capacity Limits, and external interface limits are respected. Where less capacity than needed is obligated, the ISO shall submit demand bids as appropriate to procure the additional needed capacity in each subsequent annual reconfiguration auction until the need is met. Where more capacity than needed is obligated, the ISO may in its discretion submit supply offers in subsequent annual reconfiguration auctions to release the excess capacity, but in any case the ISO shall be required to submit supply offers as appropriate in the third annual reconfiguration auction for a Capacity Commitment Period to release the excess capacity.

(b) For each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2018, the ISO shall submit demand bids for the amount of additional capacity needed to meet the Local Sourcing Requirements and shall submit supply offers in the third annual reconfiguration auction for a Capacity Commitment Period to release capacity exceeding the Maximum Capacity Limits or external interface limits.

(c) No later than 15 days before the offer and bid deadline for an annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall provide notice regarding whether the ISO will be submitting supply offers or demand bids in that auction.

(d) Any demand bid submitted by the ISO in an annual reconfiguration auction shall be at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

(e) Any supply offer submitted by the ISO in an annual reconfiguration auction shall be in the form of a supply curve having the following characteristics:

   (i) at prices equal to or greater than 0.75 times the Capacity Clearing Price, as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b), from the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period covered by the annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall offer the full amount of the surplus;

   (ii) at prices between 0.75 times such Capacity Clearing Price and 0.25 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the amount of the surplus offered by the ISO shall decrease linearly (for example, at 0.5 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the ISO shall offer half of the amount of the surplus); and
(iii) At prices equal to or below 0.25 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the ISO shall offer no capacity.

(f) For purposes of this Section III.13.4.3, the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price shall be the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for the same Capacity Commitment Period addressed by the reconfiguration auction, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.4.

(g) Supply offers and demand bids submitted by the ISO in annual reconfiguration auctions are not subject to the requirements and limitations described in Section III.13.4.2.

(h) Supply offers and demand bids submitted by the ISO in annual reconfiguration auctions are not associated with a resource.

III.13.4.4. Clearing Offers and Bids in Reconfiguration Auctions.
All supply offers and demand bids may be cleared in whole or in part in all reconfiguration auctions. If after clearing, a resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation below its Economic Minimum Limit, it must meet the requirements of Section III.13.6.1.1.1.

III.13.4.5. Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.
Except as provided below, after the Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period, and before the start of that Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct three annual reconfiguration auctions for capacity commitments covering the whole of that Capacity Commitment Period. For each annual reconfiguration auction, the capacity demand curves, New England Control Area and Capacity Zone capacity requirements and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled in the auction consistent with the Forward Capacity Auction for the associated Capacity Commitment Period. For purposes of the annual reconfiguration auctions, the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price used to define the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for the same Capacity Commitment Period addressed by the reconfiguration auction.

III.13.4.5.1. Timing of Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.
The first annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of June that is approximately 24 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The second

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annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of August that is approximately 10 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The third annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of March that is approximately 3 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.5.2. **Acceleration of Annual Reconfiguration Auction.**

If the difference between the forecasted Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) for a Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity obligated for that Capacity Commitment Period is sufficiently large, then the ISO may, upon reasonable notice to Market Participants, conduct an annual reconfiguration auction as much as six months earlier than its normally-scheduled time.

III.13.4.6. [Reserved.]

III.13.4.7. **Monthly Reconfiguration Auctions.**

Prior to each month in the Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct a monthly reconfiguration auction for whole-month capacity commitments during that month. For each monthly reconfiguration auction for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020, the Local Sourcing Requirement and Maximum Capacity Limit applicable for each Capacity Zone and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled as constraints in the auction. For each monthly reconfiguration auction for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning or after June 1, 2020, the truncation points for import-constrained Capacity Zones and export-constrained Capacity Zones specified in Section III.13.2.2.2 and Section III.13.2.2.3, and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled as constraints in the auction. The System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve is not modeled in monthly reconfiguration auctions.

III.13.4.8. **Adjustment to Capacity Supply Obligations.**

For each supply offer that clears in a reconfiguration auction, the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) shall be increased by the amount of capacity that clears. For each demand bid that clears in a reconfiguration auction, the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) shall be decreased by the amount of capacity that clears.
III.13.7. **Performance, Payments and Charges in the FCM.**

Revenue in the Forward Capacity Market for resources providing capacity shall be composed of Capacity Base Payments as described in Section III.13.7.1 and Capacity Performance Payments as described in Section III.13.7.2, adjusted as described in Section III.13.7.3 and Section III.13.7.4. Market Participants with a Capacity Load Obligation will be subject to charges as described in Section III.13.7.5.

In the event of a change in the Lead Market Participant for a resource that has a Capacity Supply Obligation, the Capacity Supply Obligation shall remain associated with the resource and the new Lead Market Participant for the resource shall be bound by all provisions of this Section III.13 arising from such Capacity Supply Obligation. The Lead Market Participant for the resource at the start of an Obligation Month shall be responsible for all payments and charges associated with that resource in that Obligation Month.

### III.13.7.1. **Capacity Base Payments.**

Resources acquiring or shedding a Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month shall receive a Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month reflecting the payments and charges described in Section III.13.7.1.1, as adjusted to account for peak energy rents as described in Section III.13.7.1.2.

#### III.13.7.1.1. **Monthly Payments and Charges Reflecting Capacity Supply Obligations.**

Each resource that has: (i) cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction, except for the portion of resources designated as Self-Supplied FCA Resources; (ii) cleared in a reconfiguration auction; or (iii) entered into a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral shall be entitled to a monthly payment or charge during the Capacity Commitment Period based on the following amounts:

(a) **Forward Capacity Auction.** For a resource whose offer has cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction, the monthly capacity payment shall equal the product of its cleared capacity (or in the case of a New Generating Capacity Resource that has cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and has completed construction but due to a planned transmission facility (e.g., a radial interconnection) not being in service is not able to achieve Commercial Operation, and is able to conduct a capability audit, the lesser of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation or its audited amount) and the Capacity Clearing Price in the appropriate Capacity Zone in the New England Control Area as adjusted by applicable indexing for resources with additional Capacity Commitment Period elections pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 in the manner described below. For a resource that has elected to have the Capacity Clearing Price and the Capacity Supply Obligation apply for more than one Capacity Commitment Period, payments associated
with the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed using the Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs in effect as of December 31 of the year preceding the Capacity Commitment Period) shall continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to four six additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period increments only.

(b) **Reconfiguration Auctions.** For a resource whose offer or bid has cleared in an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of its cleared capacity and the appropriate reconfiguration auction clearing price in the Capacity Zone in which the resource cleared.

(c) **Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals.** For resources that have acquired or shed a Capacity Supply Obligation through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of the Capacity Supply Obligation being assumed or shed and price associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral.

(d) **Substitution Auctions.** For a resource whose offer or bid has cleared in a substitution auction, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of its cleared capacity and the substitution auction clearing price. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the monthly capacity charge for a demand bid cleared at a substitution auction clearing price above its bid price shall be calculated using its bid price.

**III.13.7.1.2 Peak Energy Rents.**

Capacity Base Payments to resources with Capacity Supply Obligations, except for (1) On-Peak Demand Resources, (2) Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, and (3) New Generating Capacity Resources that have cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and have completed construction but due to a planned transmission facility (e.g., a radial interconnection) not being in service are not able to achieve Commercial Operation, shall be decreased by Peak Energy Rents (“PER”) calculated in each Capacity Zone, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4 in the Forward Capacity Auction, as provided below. The PER calculation shall utilize hourly integrated Real-Time LMPs. For each Capacity Zone in the Forward Capacity Auction, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4, PER shall be computed based on the load-weighted Real-Time LMPs for each Capacity Zone, using the Real-Time Hub Price for the
Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall not be subject to a PER adjustment on
the portion of the resource that is self-supplied.

III.13.7.1.2.1 Hourly PER Calculations.
(a) For hours with a positive difference between the hourly Real-Time energy price and a strike
price, the ISO shall compute PER for each hour ("Hourly PER") equal to this positive difference in
accordance with the following formula, which includes scaling adjustments for system load and
availability:

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\text{Hourly PER}($/kW) = [\text{LMP} - \text{Strike Price}] \times [\text{Scaling Factor}] \times [\text{Availability Factor}]
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Where:

Strike Price = the heat rate x fuel cost of the PER Proxy Unit described below.

Scaling Factor = the ratio of actual hourly integrated system load (calculated as the sum of Real-
Time Load Obligations for the system as calculated in the settlement of the Real-Time Energy
Market and adjusted for losses and including imports delivered in the Real-Time Energy Market)
and the 50/50 predicted peak system load reduced appropriately for Demand Capacity Resources,
used in the most recent calculation of the Installed Capacity Requirement for that Capacity
Commitment Period, capped at an hourly ratio of 1.0.

Availability Factor = 0.95.

(b) PER Proxy Unit characteristics shall be as follows:

(i) The PER Proxy Unit shall be indexed to the marginal fuel, which shall be the higher of
ultra low-sulfur No. 2 oil measured at New York Harbor plus a seven percent markup for
transportation or day-ahead gas measured at the Algonquin City Gate, as determined on a daily
basis;

(ii) The PER Proxy Unit shall be assumed to have no start-up, ramp rate or minimum run
time constraints;
The PER Proxy Unit shall have a 22,000 Btu/kWh heat rate. This assumption shall be periodically reviewed after the first Capacity Commitment Period by the ISO to ensure that the heat rate continues to reflect a level slightly higher than the marginal generating unit in the region that would be dispatched as the system enters a scarcity condition. Any changes to the heat rate of the PER Proxy Unit shall be considered in the stakeholder process in consultation with the state utility regulatory agencies, shall be filed pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, and shall be applied prospectively to the settlement of future Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.7.1.2.2. Monthly PER Application.
The Hourly PER shall be summed for each calendar month to determine the total PER for that month ("Monthly PER"). The ISO shall then calculate the Average Monthly PER earned by the proxy unit. The Average Monthly PER shall be equal to the average of the Monthly PER values for the 12 months prior to the Obligation Month. The PER deduction for each resource shall be calculated as the Average Monthly PER multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month (less any Capacity Supply Obligation MW from any portion of a Self-Supplied FCA Resource); provided, however, that in no case shall a resource’s PER deduction for an Obligation Month be less than zero or greater than the product of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation and the relevant Forward Capacity Auction Capacity Clearing Price.

III.13.7.1.3. Export Capacity.
If there are any Export Bids or Administrative Export De-list Bids from resources located in an export-constrained Capacity Zone or in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone that have cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and if the resource is exporting capacity at an export interface that is connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone or the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone that is different than the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located, then charges and credits are applied as follows (for the following calculation, the Capacity Clearing Price will be the value prior to PER adjustments).

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\text{Charge Amount to Resource Exporting} = (\text{Capacity Clearing Price}_{\text{location of the interface}} - \text{Capacity Clearing Price}_{\text{location of the resource}}) \times \text{Cleared MWs of Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid}
\]

\[
\text{Credit Amount to Capacity Load Obligations in the Capacity Zone where the export interface is located} = (\text{Capacity Clearing Price}_{\text{location of the interface}} - \text{Capacity Clearing Price}_{\text{location of the resource}}) \times \text{Cleared MWs of Export Bid or Administrative Export De-list Bid}
\]
Credits and charges to load in the applicable Capacity Zones, as set forth above, shall be allocated in proportion to each LSE’s Capacity Load Obligation as calculated in Section III.13.7.5.1.

III.13.7.1.4. [Reserved.]

III.13.7.2 Capacity Performance Payments.

III.13.7.2.1 Definition of Capacity Scarcity Condition.
A Capacity Scarcity Condition shall exist in a Capacity Zone for any five-minute interval in which the Real-Time Reserve Clearing Price for that entire Capacity Zone is set based on the Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing for: (i) the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement; (ii) the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement; or (iii) the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement, each as described in Section III.2.7A(c); provided, however, that a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall not exist if the Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing results only because of resource ramping limitations that are not binding on the energy dispatch.

III.13.7.2.2 Calculation of Actual Capacity Provided During a Capacity Scarcity Condition.
For each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists, the ISO shall calculate the Actual Capacity Provided by each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, in any Capacity Zone that is subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition. For resources not having a Capacity Supply Obligation (including External Transactions), the Actual Capacity Provided shall be calculated using the provision below applicable to the resource type.

(a) A Generating Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the sum of the resource’s output during the interval plus the resource’s Real-Time Reserve Designation (including any regulation capability available but not used for energy) during the interval; provided, however, that if the resource’s output was limited during the Capacity Scarcity Condition as a result of a transmission system limitation, then the resource’s Actual Capacity Provided may not be greater than the sum of the resource’s Desired Dispatch Point during the interval, plus the resource’s Real-Time Designation (including any regulation capability available but not used for energy) during the interval. Where the resource is associated with one or more External Transaction sales
submitted in accordance with Section III.1.10.7(f), the resource will have its hourly Actual Capacity Provided reduced by the hourly integrated delivered MW for the External Transaction sale or sales.

(b) An Import Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the net energy delivered (but not less than zero) during the interval in which the Capacity Scarcity Condition occurred. Where a single Market Participant owns more than one Import Capacity Resource, then the difference between the total net energy delivered from those resources and the total of the Capacity Supply Obligations of those resources shall be allocated to those resources pro rata.

(c) An On-Peak Demand Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the resource’s Average Hourly Output or Average Hourly Load Reduction, where the MWhs of reduction, other than MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses.

(d) A Seasonal Peak Demand Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the resource’s Average Hourly Output or Average Hourly Load Reduction, where the MWhs of reduction, other than MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses.

(e) [Reserved.]

(f) An Active Demand Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the sum of the Real-Time demand reduction of each associated Demand Response Resource (where the MWhs of reduction, other than the MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses) plus the resource’s Real-Time Reserve Designation (adjusted as described in III.9.6.5(h)).

III.13.7.2.3 Capacity Balancing Ratio.

For each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists, the ISO shall calculate a Capacity Balancing Ratio using the following formula:

\[
\frac{(\text{Load} + \text{Reserve Requirement})}{\text{Total Capacity Supply Obligation}}
\]
(a) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement such that the associated system-wide Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:

Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the New England Control Area during the interval.

Reserve Requirement = the Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement during the interval.

Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the New England Control Area during the interval.

(b) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement such that the associated system-wide Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:

Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the New England Control Area during the interval.

Reserve Requirement = the Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval.

Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the New England Control Area during the interval.

(c) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement such that the associated Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:
Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the Capacity Zone during the interval plus the net amount of energy imported into the Capacity Zone from outside the New England Control Area during the interval (but not less than zero).

Reserve Requirement = the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement minus any reserve support coming into the Capacity Zone over the internal transmission interface.

Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the Capacity Zone during the interval.

(d) The following provisions shall be used to determine the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio where more than one of the conditions described in subsections (a), (b), and (c) apply in a Capacity Zone.

(i) In any Capacity Zone subject to Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing associated with both the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement and either the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement or the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement, then for resources in that Capacity Zone the Capacity Balancing Ratio shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.7.2.3(c).

(ii) In any Capacity Zone subject to both the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement and the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement, but not to Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing associated with the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement, then for resources in that Capacity Zone the Capacity Balancing Ratio shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.7.2.3(a).

III.13.7.2.4 Capacity Performance Score.
Each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, will be assigned a Capacity Performance Score for each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists in the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located. A resource’s Capacity Performance Score for the interval shall equal the resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during the interval minus the product of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation and the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio; provided, however, that for an On-Peak Demand Resource or a Seasonal Peak Demand Resource, if the Capacity Scarcity
Condition occurs in an interval outside of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, as applicable, then the Actual Capacity Provided and Capacity Supply Obligation associated with any On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource comprised exclusively of Energy Efficiency measures shall be excluded from the calculation of the resource’s Capacity Performance Score. The resulting Capacity Performance Score may be positive, zero, or negative.

III.13.7.2.5 Capacity Performance Payment Rate.

For the three Capacity Commitment Periods beginning June 1, 2018 and ending May 31, 2021, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $2000/MWh. For the three Capacity Commitment Periods beginning June 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2024, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $3500/MWh. For the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2024 and ending on May 31, 2025 and thereafter, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $5455/MWh. The ISO shall review the Capacity Performance Payment Rate in the stakeholder process as needed and shall file with the Commission a new Capacity Performance Payment Rate if and as appropriate.

III.13.7.2.6 Calculation of Capacity Performance Payments.

For each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, the ISO shall calculate a Capacity Performance Payment for each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists in the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located. A resource’s Capacity Performance Payment for an interval shall equal the resource’s Capacity Performance Score for the interval multiplied by the Capacity Performance Payment Rate. The resulting Capacity Performance Payment for an interval may be positive or negative.

III.13.7.3 Monthly Capacity Payment and Capacity Stop-Loss Mechanism.

Each resource’s Monthly Capacity Payment for an Obligation Month, which may be positive or negative, shall be the sum of the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month plus the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month, except as provided in Section III.13.7.3.1 and Section III.13.7.3.2 below.

III.13.7.3.1 Monthly Stop-Loss.

If the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (excluding any Capacity Performance Payments associated with Actual Capacity Provided above the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation in any interval) for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month is negative, the amount subtracted from
the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the product of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month (or, in the case of a resource subject to a multi-year Capacity Commitment Period election made in a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the ninth Forward Capacity Auction as described in Sections III.13.1.1.2.2.4 and III.13.1.4.1.1.2.7, the amount subtracted from the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the product of the applicable Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month).

### III.13.7.3.2 Annual Stop-Loss.

(a) For each Obligation Month, the ISO shall calculate a stop-loss amount equal to:

\[ \text{MaxCSO} \times [3 \text{ months} \times (\text{FCAcp} – \text{FCAsp}) – (12 \text{ months} \times \text{FCAcp})] \]

Where:

- \( \text{MaxCSO} \) = the resource’s highest monthly Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period to date.
- \( \text{FCAcp} \) = the Capacity Clearing Price for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction.
- \( \text{FCAsp} \) = the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) For each Obligation Month, the ISO shall calculate each resource’s cumulative Capacity Performance Payments as the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments for all months in the Capacity Commitment Period to date, with those monthly amounts limited as described in Section III.13.7.3.1.

(c) If the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (excluding any Capacity Performance Payments associated with Actual Capacity Provided above the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation in any interval) for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month is negative, the amount subtracted from the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the difference between the stop-loss amount calculated as described in Section
III.13.7.3.2(a) and the resource’s cumulative Capacity Performance Payments as described in Section III.13.7.3.2(b).

III.13.7.4 Allocation of Deficient or Excess Capacity Performance Payments.
For each type of Capacity Scarcity Condition as described in Section III.13.7.2.1 and for each Capacity Zone, the ISO shall allocate deficient or excess Capacity Performance Payments as described in subsections (a) and (b) below. Where more than one type of Capacity Scarcity Condition applies, then the provisions below shall be applied in proportion to the duration of each type of Capacity Scarcity Condition.

(a) If the sum of all Capacity Performance Payments to all resources subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition in the Capacity Zone in an Obligation Month is positive, the deficiency will be charged to resources in proportion to each such resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month, excluding any resources subject to the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3 for the Obligation Month. If the charge described in this Section III.13.7.4(a) causes a resource to reach the stop-loss limit described in Section III.13.7.3, then the stop-loss cap described in Section III.13.7.3 will be applied to that resource, and the remaining deficiency will be further allocated to other resources in the same manner as described in this Section III.13.7.4(a).

(b) If the sum of all Capacity Performance Payments to all resources subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition in the Capacity Zone in an Obligation Month is negative, the excess will be credited to all such resources in proportion to each resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month. For a resource subject to the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3 for the Obligation Month, any such credit shall be reduced (though not to less than zero) by the amount not charged to the resource as a result of the application of the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3, and the remaining excess will be further allocated to other resources in the same manner as described in this Section III.13.7.4(b).

III.13.7.5. Charges to Market Participants with Capacity Load Obligations.
A load serving entity with a Capacity Load Obligation as of the end of the Obligation Month shall be subject to a charge equal to the product of: (a) its Capacity Load Obligation in the Capacity Zone; and (b) the applicable Net Regional Clearing Price. The Net Regional Clearing Price is defined as the sum of the total payments as defined in Section III.13.7 paid to resources with Capacity Supply Obligations in the Capacity Zone (excluding any capacity payments and charges made for Capacity Supply Obligation
Bilaterals and excluding any Capacity Performance Payments), less PER adjustments for resources in the zone as defined in Section III.13.7.1.2, and including any applicable export charges or credits as determined pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.3 divided by the sum of all Capacity Supply Obligations (excluding (i) the quantity of capacity subject to Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals and (ii) the quantity of capacity clearing as Self-Supplied FCA Resources) assumed by resources in the zone. A load serving entity satisfying its Capacity Load Obligation by a Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall not receive a credit for any PER payment for its Capacity Load Obligation so satisfied.


The ISO shall assign each load serving entity a Capacity Requirement prior to the commencement of each Obligation Month for each Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4. The Capacity Requirement for each month and Capacity Zone shall equal the product of: (i) the total of the system-wide Capacity Supply Obligations (excluding the quantity of capacity subject to Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals) plus HQICCs; and (ii) the ratio of the sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year two years prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period to the system-wide sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load from the calendar year two years prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The following loads are assigned a peak contribution of zero for the purposes of assigning obligations and tracking load shifts: load associated with pumping of pumped hydro generators, if the resource was pumping; Station service load that is modeled as a discrete Load Asset and the Resource is complying with the maintenance scheduling procedures of the ISO; load that is modeled as an Asset Related Demand or discrete load asset and is exclusively related to an Alternative Technology Regulation Resource following AGC dispatch instructions; and transmission losses associated with delivery of energy over the Control Area tie lines.

A load serving entity’s Capacity Requirement for each month and Capacity Zone shall equal the product of: (i) the Capacity Zone’s Capacity Requirement as calculated above and (ii) the ratio of the sum of the load serving entity’s annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period to the sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period.
A load serving entity’s Capacity Load Obligation shall be its Capacity Requirement, adjusted as appropriate to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICCs, and Self-Supply FCA Resource designations. A Capacity Load Obligation can be a positive or negative value. A Market Participant that is not a load serving entity shall have a Capacity Load Obligation equal to the net obligation resulting from Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICC, and Self-Supply FCA Resource designations.

A load serving entity’s Capacity Requirement will not be reconstituted to include the demand reduction of a Demand Capacity Resource or Demand Response Resource.

III.13.7.5.1.1. HQICC Used in the Calculation of Capacity Requirements.
In order to treat HQICCs as a load reduction, each holder of HQICCs shall have its Capacity Requirement in the Capacity Zone in which the HQ Phase I/II external node is located as specified in Section III.13.1.3 adjusted by its share of the total monthly HQICC amount.

III.13.7.5.1.2. Charges Associated with Self-Supplied FCA Resources.
The capacity associated with a Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be treated as a credit toward the Capacity Load Obligation of the load serving entity so designated by such resources as described in Section III.13.1.6. The amount of Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall be determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.6.

III.13.7.5.1.3. Charges Associated with Dispatchable Asset Related Demands.
Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resources will not receive Forward Capacity Market payments, but instead each Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource will receive an adjustment to its share of the associated Coincident Peak Contribution based on the ability of the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource to reduce consumption. The adjustment to a load serving entity’s Coincident Peak Contribution resulting from Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource reduction in consumption shall be based on the Nominated Consumption Limit submitted for the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource. The Nominated Consumption Limit value of each Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource is subject to adjustment as further described in the ISO New England Manuals, including adjustments based on the results of Nominated Consumption Limit audits performed in accordance with the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.7.5.2. Excess Revenues.
Revenues collected from load serving entities in excess of revenues paid by the ISO to resources shall be paid by the ISO to the holders of Capacity Transfer Rights, as detailed in Section III.13.7.5.3.

III.13.7.5.3. Capacity Transfer Rights.

III.13.7.5.3.1. Definition and Payments to Holders of Capacity Transfer Rights.

The ISO shall create Capacity Transfer Rights (“CTRs”) for each internal interface associated with a Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4). Based upon results of the Forward Capacity Auction and reconfiguration auctions, the total CTR fund will be calculated as the difference between the charges to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations and the payments to Capacity Resources as follows: The system-wide sum of the product of each Capacity Zone’s Net Regional Clearing Price and absolute value of each Capacity Zone’s Capacity Load Obligations, as calculated in Section III.13.7.5.1, minus the sum of the monthly capacity payments to Capacity Resources within each zone, as adjusted for PER.

Each Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4) will be assigned its portion of the CTR fund.

For CTRs resulting from an export constrained zone, the assignment will be calculated as the product of: (i) the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the difference between the absolute value of the total Capacity Supply Obligations obtained in the exporting Capacity Zone, adjusted for Capacity Supply Obligations associated with Self-Supply FCA Resources, and the absolute value of the total Capacity Load Obligations in the exporting Capacity Zone.

For CTRs resulting from an import constrained zone, the assignment will be calculated as the product of: (i) the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Net Regional Clearing Price for the absolute value of the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the difference between absolute value of the total Capacity Load Obligations in the importing Capacity Zone and the total Capacity Supply Obligations obtained in the importing Capacity Zone, adjusted for Capacity Supply Obligations associated with Self-Supply FCA Resources.
The value of CTRs specifically allocated pursuant to Sections III.13.7.5.3.2(c), III.13.7.5.3.4, and III.13.7.5.3.6 shall be calculated as the product of: (i) the Capacity Clearing Price (as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b)), or, if applicable, the lower of (1) the Capacity Clearing Price and (2) the administratively-determined payment rate (due to “Inadequate Supply” or “Insufficient Competition”) that applies to certain resources for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015 for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Capacity Clearing Price (as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b)), or, if applicable, minus the lower of (1) the Capacity Clearing Price and (2) the administratively-determined payment rate (due to “Inadequate Supply” or “Insufficient Competition”) that applies to certain resources for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015 for the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the MW quantity of the specifically allocated CTRs across the applicable interface. The value of the specifically allocated CTRs will be deducted from the associated Capacity Zone’s portion of the CTR fund. The balance of the CTR fund will then be allocated to the load serving entities as set forth in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.

III.13.7.5.3.2. Allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights.

For Capacity Zones established in the Forward Capacity Auction as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4, the CTR fund shall be allocated among load serving entities using their Capacity Load Obligation (net of HQICCs) described in Section III.13.7.5.1. Market Participants with CTRs specifically allocated under Section III.13.7.5.3.6 will have their specifically allocated CTR MWs netted from their Capacity Load Obligation used to establish their share of the CTR fund.

(a) Connecticut Import Interface. The allocation of the CTR fund associated with the Connecticut Import Interface shall be made to load serving entities based on their Capacity Load Obligation in the Connecticut Capacity Zone.

(b) NEMA/Boston Import Interface. Except as provided in Section III.13.7.5.3.6 of Market Rule 1, the allocation of the CTR fund associated with the NEMA/Boston Import Interface shall be made to load serving entities based on their Capacity Load Obligation in the NEMA/Boston Capacity Zone.

(c) Maine Export Interface. Casco Bay shall receive specifically allocated CTRs of 325 MW across the Maine Export Interface for as long as Casco Bay continues to pay to support the transmission upgrades. Each municipal utility entitlement holder of a resource constructed as a Pool-Planned Unit in Maine shall receive specifically allocated CTRs across the Maine Export Interface equal to the applicable
seasonal claimed capability of its ownership entitlements in such unit as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.6. The balance of the CTR fund associated with the Maine Export Interface shall be allocated to load serving entities with a Capacity Load Obligation on the import-constrained side of the Maine Export Interface.

III.13.7.5.3.3. Allocations of CTRs Resulting From Revised Capacity Zones. The portion of the CTR fund associated with revised definitions of Capacity Zones shall be fully allocated to load serving entities after deducting the value of applicable CTRs that have been specifically allocated. Allocations of the CTR fund among load serving entities will be made using their Capacity Load Obligations (net of HQICCs) as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.1. Market Participants with CTRs specifically allocated under Section III.13.7.5.3.6 will have their specifically allocated CTR MWs netted from the Capacity Load Obligation used to establish their share of the CTR fund.

(a) Import Constraints. The allocation of the CTR fund associated with newly defined import-constrained Capacity Zones restricting the transfer of capacity into a single adjacent import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be allocated to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations in that import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(b) Export Constraints. The allocation of the CTR fund associated with newly defined export-constrained Capacity Zones shall be allocated to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations on the import-constrained side of the interface.

III.13.7.5.3.4. Specifically Allocated CTRs Associated with Transmission Upgrades. (a) A Market Participant that pays for transmission upgrades not funded through the Pool PTF Rate and which increase transfer capability across existing or potential Capacity Zone interfaces may request a specifically allocated CTR in an amount equal to the number of CTRs supported by that increase in transfer capability.

(b) The allocation of additional CTRs created through generator interconnections completed after February 1, 2009 shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the ISO generator interconnection or planning standards. In the event the ISO interconnection or planning standards do not address this issue, the CTRs created shall be allocated in the same manner as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.
(c) Specifically allocated CTRs shall expire when the Market Participant ceases to pay to support the transmission upgrades.

(d) CTRs resulting from transmission upgrades funded through the Pool PTF Rate shall not be specifically allocated but shall be allocated in the same manner as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.

III.13.7.5.3.5. [Reserved.]

III.13.7.5.3.6. **Specifically Allocated CTRs for Pool Planned Units.**

In import-constrained Capacity Zones, in recognition of longstanding life of unit contracts, the municipal utility entitlement holder of a resource constructed as Pool-Planned Units shall receive an initial allocation of CTRs equal to the applicable seasonal claimed capability of the ownership entitlements in such unit. Municipal utility entitlements are set as shown in the table below and are not transferrable.
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This allocation of CTRs shall expire on December 31, 2040. If a resource listed in the table above retires prior to December 31, 2040, however, its allocation of CTRs shall expire upon retirement. In the event that the NEMA zone either becomes or is forecast to become a separate zone for Forward Capacity Auction purposes, National Grid agrees to discuss with Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (“MMWEC”) and Wellesley Municipal Light Plant, Reading Municipal Light Plant and Concord Municipal Light Plant ("WRC") any proposal by National Grid to develop cost effective transmission improvements that would mitigate or alleviate the import constraints and to work cooperatively and in good faith with MMWEC and WRC regarding any such proposal. MMWEC and WRC agree to support any proposals advanced by National Grid in the regional system planning process to construct any such transmission improvements, provided that MMWEC and WRC determine that the proposed improvements are cost effective (without regard to CTRs) and will mitigate or alleviate the import constraints.

III.13.7.5.4. Forward Capacity Market Net Charge Amount.

The Forward Capacity Market net charge amount for each Market Participant as of the end of the Obligation Month shall be equal to the sum of: (a) its Capacity Load Obligation charge; (b) its revenues from any applicable specifically allocated CTRs; (c) its share of the CTR fund; and (d) any applicable export charges.
III.13.8. Reporting and Price Finality


(a) For each Forward Capacity Auction, no later than 20 Business Days after the issuance of retirement determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a), the ISO shall make a filing with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act describing the Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids. The ISO will file the following information confidentially: the determinations made by the Internal Market Monitor with respect to each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid, and supporting documentation for each such determination. The confidential filing shall indicate those resources that will permanently de-list or retire prior to the Forward Capacity Auction and those Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for which a Lead Market Participant has made an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1.

(b) The Forward Capacity Auction shall be conducted using the determinations as approved by the Commission (unless the Commission directs otherwise), and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c).

(c) For each Forward Capacity Auction, no later than 90 days prior to the first day of the auction, the ISO shall make an informational filing with the Commission detailing the following determinations made by the ISO with respect to that Forward Capacity Auction, and providing supporting documentation for each such determination, provided, however, that the determinations in subsections (vi), (vii), and (viii) below shall be filed confidentially with the Commission in the informational filing, except determinations on which new resources have been rejected due to overlapping interconnection impacts (the determinations in subsections (vi), (vii), and (viii) shall be published by the ISO no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction), with the exception of de-list bid price information, which shall remain confidential):

(i) which Capacity Zones shall be modeled in the Forward Capacity Auction;

(ii) the transmission interface limits as determined pursuant to Section III.12.5;
(iii) which existing and proposed transmission lines the ISO determines will be in service by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction;

(iv) the expected amount of installed capacity in each modeled Capacity Zone during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction, and the Local Sourcing Requirement for each modeled import-constrained Capacity Zone and the Maximum Capacity Limit for each modeled export-constrained Capacity Zone;

(v) the multipliers applied in determining the Capacity Value of a Demand Resource, as described in Section III.13.7.1.5.1;

(vi) which new resources are accepted and rejected in the qualification process to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction;

(vii) the Internal Market Monitor’s determinations regarding each requested offer price from a new resource submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.3 or Section III.13.1.4.2, including information regarding each of the elements considered in the Internal Market Monitor’s determination of expected net revenues (other than revenues from ISO-administered markets) and whether that element was included or excluded in the determination of whether the offer is consistent with the resource’s long run average costs net of expected net revenues other than capacity revenues;

(viii) the Internal Market Monitor’s determinations regarding offers or Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative De-List Bids submitted during the qualification process made according to the provisions of this Section III.13, including an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-determined prices established for any Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative De-List Bids as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2 based on the Internal Market Monitor review and the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs as determined by the Internal Market Monitor. The filing shall identify to the extent possible the components of the bid which were accepted as justified, and shall also identify to the extent possible the components of the bid which were not justified and which resulted in the Internal Market Monitor establishing an Internal Market Monitor-determined price for the bid;
(ix) which existing resources are qualified to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction (this information will include resource type, capacity zone, and qualified MW); and

(x) aggregate MW from new resources qualified to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction and aggregate de-list bid amounts; and

(xi) aggregate quantity of supply offers and demand bids qualified to participate in the substitution auction.

(d) Any comments or challenges to the determinations contained in the informational filing described in Section III.13.8.1(c) or in the qualification determination notifications described in Sections III.13.1.2.8, III.13.1.2.4(b) and III.13.1.3.5.7 must be filed with the Commission no later than 15 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing. If the Commission does not issue an order within 75 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing that directs otherwise, the determinations contained in the informational filing shall be used in conducting the Forward Capacity Auction, and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c). If within 75 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing, the Commission does issue an order modifying one or more of the ISO’s determinations, then the Forward Capacity Auction shall be conducted no earlier than 15 days following that order using the determinations as modified by the Commission (unless the Commission directs otherwise), and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c).

III.13.8.2. Filing of Forward Capacity Auction Results and Challenges Thereto.

(a) As soon as practicable after the Forward Capacity Auction is complete, the ISO shall file the results of that Forward Capacity Auction with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, including the final set of Capacity Zones resulting from the auction, the Capacity Clearing Price in each of those Capacity Zones (and the Capacity Clearing Price associated with certain imports pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3(d), if applicable), the substitution auction clearing prices and the total amount of payments associated with any demand bids cleared at a substitution auction clearing price above their demand bid prices, and a list of which resources received Capacity Supply Obligations in each Capacity Zone and the amount of those Capacity Supply Obligations. Upon completion of the fourth and future auctions, such list of resources that receive Capacity Supply Obligation shall also specify which
resources cleared as Conditional Qualified New Resources. Upon completion of the fourth and future auctions, the filing shall also list each Long Lead Time Facility, as defined in Schedule 22 or Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, that secured a Queue Position to participate as a New Generating Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction and each resource with lower queue priority that was selected in the Forward Capacity Auction subject to a Long Lead Time Facility with the higher queue priority. The filing shall also enumerate de-list bids rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and the reasons for those rejections.

(b) The filing of Forward Capacity Auction results made pursuant to this Section III.13.8.2 shall also include documentation regarding the competitiveness of the Forward Capacity Auction, which may include a certification from the auctioneer and the ISO that: (i) all entities offering and bidding in the Forward Capacity Auction were properly qualified in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.1; and (ii) the Forward Capacity Auction was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.

(c) Any objection to the Forward Capacity Auction results must be filed with the Commission within 45 days after the ISO’s filing of the Forward Capacity Auction results. The filing of a timely objection with the Commission will be the exclusive means of challenging the Forward Capacity Auction results.

(d) Any change to the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff affecting the Forward Capacity Market or the Forward Capacity Auction that is filed after the results of a Forward Capacity Auction have been accepted or approved by the Commission shall not affect those Forward Capacity Auction results.
I.2 Rules of Construction; Definitions

I.2.1 Rules of Construction:

In this Tariff, unless otherwise provided herein:

(a) words denoting the singular include the plural and vice versa;
(b) words denoting a gender include all genders;
(c) references to a particular part, clause, section, paragraph, article, exhibit, schedule, appendix or other attachment shall be a reference to a part, clause, section, paragraph, or article of, or an exhibit, schedule, appendix or other attachment to, this Tariff;
(d) the exhibits, schedules and appendices attached hereto are incorporated herein by reference and shall be construed with an as an integral part of this Tariff to the same extent as if they were set forth verbatim herein;
(e) a reference to any statute, regulation, proclamation, ordinance or law includes all statutes, regulations, proclamations, amendments, ordinances or laws varying, consolidating or replacing the same from time to time, and a reference to a statute includes all regulations, policies, protocols, codes, proclamations and ordinances issued or otherwise applicable under that statute unless, in any such case, otherwise expressly provided in any such statute or in this Tariff;
(f) a reference to a particular section, paragraph or other part of a particular statute shall be deemed to be a reference to any other section, paragraph or other part substituted therefor from time to time;
(g) a definition of or reference to any document, instrument or agreement includes any amendment or supplement to, or restatement, replacement, modification or novation of, any such document, instrument or agreement unless otherwise specified in such definition or in the context in which such reference is used;
(h) a reference to any person (as hereinafter defined) includes such person’s successors and permitted assigns in that designated capacity;
(i) any reference to “days” shall mean calendar days unless “Business Days” (as hereinafter defined) are expressly specified;
(j) if the date as of which any right, option or election is exercisable, or the date upon which any amount is due and payable, is stated to be on a date or day that is not a Business Day, such right, option or election may be exercised, and such amount shall be deemed due and payable, on the next succeeding Business Day with the same effect as if the same was exercised or made on such date or day (without, in the case of any such payment, the payment or accrual of any interest or
other late payment or charge, provided such payment is made on such next succeeding Business Day);

(k) words such as “hereunder,” “hereto,” “hereof” and “herein” and other words of similar import shall, unless the context requires otherwise, refer to this Tariff as a whole and not to any particular article, section, subsection, paragraph or clause hereof; and a reference to “include” or “including” means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term, and for purposes hereof the rule of *ejusdem generis* shall not be applicable to limit a general statement, followed by or referable to an enumeration of specific matters, to matters similar to those specifically mentioned.

I.2.2. Definitions

In this Tariff, the terms listed in this section shall be defined as described below:

**Actual Load** is the consumption at the Retail Delivery Point for the hour.

**Additional Resource Blackstart O&M Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Additional Resource Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Additional Resource Standard Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Administrative Costs** are those costs incurred in connection with the review of Applications for transmission service and the carrying out of System Impact Studies and Facilities Studies.

**Administrative Export De-List Bid** is a bid that may be submitted in a Forward Capacity Auction by certain Existing Generating Capacity Resources subject to a multi-year contract to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the associated Capacity Commitment Period, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Administrative Sanctions** are defined in Section III.B.4.1.2 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.
**ADR Neutrals** are one or more firms or individuals identified by the ISO with the advice and consent of the Participants Committee that are prepared to act as neutrals in ADR proceedings under Appendix D to Market Rule 1.

**Advance** is defined in Section IV.A.3.2 of the Tariff.


**Affiliate** is any person or entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control by another person or entity. For purposes of this definition, "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the authority to direct the management or policies of an entity. A voting interest of ten percent or more shall create a rebuttable presumption of control.

**AGC** is automatic generation control.

**AGC SetPoint** is the desired output signal for a Resource providing Regulation that is produced by the AGC system as frequently as every four seconds.

**AGC SetPoint Deadband** is a deadband expressed in megawatts that is applied to changing values of the AGC SetPoint for generating units.

**Allocated Assessment** is a Covered Entity’s right to seek and obtain payment and recovery of its share in any shortfall payments under Section 3.3 or Section 3.4 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)** is the procedure set forth in Appendix D to Market Rule 1.

**Alternative Technology Regulation Resource** is any Resource eligible to provide Regulation that is not registered as a different Resource type.

**Ancillary Services** are those services that are necessary to support the transmission of electric capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the New England Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
Announced Schedule 1 EA Amount, Announced Schedule 2 EA Amount, Announced Schedule 3 EA Amount are defined in Section IV.B.2.2 of the Tariff.

**Annual Transmission Revenue Requirements** are the annual revenue requirements of a PTO’s PTF or of all PTOs’ PTF for purposes of the OATT shall be the amount determined in accordance with Attachment F to the OATT.

**Annualized FCA Payment** is used to determine a resource’s availability penalties and is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.2(b) of Market Rule 1.

**Annual Reconfiguration Transaction** is a bilateral transaction that may be used in accordance with Section III.13.5.4 of Market Rule 1 to specify a price when a Capacity Supply Obligation is transferred using supply offers and demand bids in Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.

**Applicants**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, are entities applying for Market Participant status or for transmission service from the ISO.

**Application** is a written request by an Eligible Customer for transmission service pursuant to the provisions of the OATT.

**Asset** is a generating unit, interruptible load, a component of a demand response resource or load asset.

**Asset Registration Process** is the ISO business process for registering a physical load, generator, or tie-line for settlement purposes. The Asset Registration Process is posted on the ISO’s website.

**Asset Related Demand** is a physical load that has been discretely modeled within the ISO’s dispatch and settlement systems, settles at a Node and, except for pumped storage load, is made up of one or more individual end-use metered customers receiving service from the same point or points of electrical supply, with an aggregate average hourly load of 1 MW or greater during the 12 months preceding its registration.

**Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Asset Related Demand bid. Blocks of the bid in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the daily quantity of Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for an entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Asset Related
Demand Bid Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of “available,” the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours.

**Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs** are the net costs of an asset that is part of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, calculated for the asset in the same manner as the net costs of Existing Generating Capacity Resources as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.1 (for an asset with a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid) or Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.2 (for an asset with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid).

**Assigned Meter Reader** reports to the ISO the hourly and monthly MWh associated with the Asset. These MWh are used for settlement. The Assigned Meter Reader may designate an agent to help fulfill its Assigned Meter Reader responsibilities; however, the Assigned Meter Reader remains functionally responsible to the ISO.

**Auction Revenue Right (ARR)** is a right to receive FTR Auction Revenues in accordance with Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**Auction Revenue Right Allocation (ARR Allocation)** is defined in Section 1 of Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**Auction Revenue Right Holder (ARR Holder)** is an entity which is the record holder of an Auction Revenue Right (excluding an Incremental ARR) in the register maintained by the ISO.

**Audited Demand Reduction** is the seasonal claimed capability of a Demand Response Resource as established pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.

**Audited Full Reduction Time** is the Offered Full Reduction Time associated with the Demand Response Resource’s most recent audit.

**Authorized Commission** is defined in Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.

**Authorized Person** is defined in Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.
**Automatic Response Rate** is the response rate, in MW/Minute, at which a Market Participant is willing to have a generating unit change its output while providing Regulation between the Regulation High Limit and Regulation Low Limit.

**Average Hourly Load Reduction** is either: (i) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month; (ii) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month; or (iii) in each Real-Time Demand Response Event Hour, the sum of the baseline electrical energy consumption less the sum of the actual electrical energy consumption of all of the Real-Time Demand Response Assets associated with the Real-Time Demand Response Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month; or (iv) in each Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour, the sum of the baseline electrical energy consumption less the sum of the actual electrical energy consumption of all of the Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets associated with the Real-time Emergency Generation Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month. The Demand Resource’s electrical energy reduction and Average Hourly Load Reduction shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Average Hourly Output** is either: (i) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy output during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours in the month; (ii) the sum of the Demand Resource’s electrical energy output during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month divided by the number of Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours in the month; or (iii) in each Real-Time Demand Response Event Hour or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour, the sum of the electrical energy output of all of the Real-Time Demand Response Assets or Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets associated with the Real-Time Demand Response Resource or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource as registered with the ISO as of the first day of the month. Electrical energy output and Average Hourly Output shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Average Monthly PER** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.1.2(a) of Market Rule 1.
**Backstop Transmission Solution** is a solution proposed: (i) to address a reliability or market efficiency need identified by the ISO in a Needs Assessment reported by the ISO pursuant to Section 4.1(i) of Attachment K to the ISO OATT, (ii) by the PTO or PTOs with an obligation under Schedule 3.09(a) of the TOA to address the identified need; and (iii) in circumstances in which the competitive solution process specified in Section 4.3 of Attachment K to the ISO OATT will be utilized.

**Bankruptcy Code** is the United States Bankruptcy Code.

**Bankruptcy Event** occurs when a Covered Entity files a voluntary or involuntary petition in bankruptcy or commences a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law concerning insolvency, reorganization or bankruptcy by or against such Covered Entity as debtor.

**Bilateral Contract (BC)** is any of the following types of contracts: Internal Bilateral for Load, Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy, and External Transactions.

**Bilateral Contract Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the seller and purchaser of an Internal Bilateral for Load, Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy and External Transactions; provided, however, that only those contracts which apply to the Real-Time Energy Market will accrue Block-Hours.

**Blackstart Capability Test** is the test, required by ISO New England Operating Documents, of a resource’s capability to provide Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1, or as referred to in Section 5.2, of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s Blackstart Equipment capital costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (excluding the capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart CIP Capital Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 utilizing data from Table 6 of Appendix A to this Schedule 16, or as referred to in Section 5.2, of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Blackstart Station’s costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service.
**Blackstart CIP O&M Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, utilizing data from Table 6 of Appendix A to this Schedule 16, for a Blackstart Station’s operating and maintenance costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of the provision of Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Equipment** is any equipment that is solely necessary to enable the Designated Blackstart Resource to provide Blackstart Service and is not required to provide other products or services under the Tariff.

**Blackstart O&M Payment** is the annual compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s operating and maintenance costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for operating and maintenance costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart Owner** is the Market Participant who is authorized on behalf of the Generator Owner(s) to offer or operate the resource as a Designated Blackstart Resource and is authorized to commit the resource to provide Blackstart Service.

**Blackstart Service** is the Ancillary Service described in Section II.47 of the Tariff and Schedule 16 of the OATT, which also encompasses “System Restoration and Planning Service” under the predecessor version of Schedule 16.

**Blackstart Service Commitment** is the commitment by a Blackstart Owner for its resource to provide Blackstart Service and the acceptance of that commitment by the ISO, in the manner detailed in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 11 – Designated Blackstart Resource Administration (OP 11), and which includes a commitment to provide Blackstart Service under a “Signature Page for Schedule 16 of the NEPOOL OATT” that was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 2013 for Category A Designated Blackstart Resources or a commitment to provide Blackstart Service established under Operating Procedure 11 – Designated Blackstart Resource Administration (OP11) for Category B Designated Blackstart Resources.

**Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria** are the minimum criteria that a Blackstart Owner and its resource must meet in order to establish and maintain a resource as a Designated Blackstart Resource.
**Blackstart Standard Rate Payment** is the formulaic rate of monthly compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, paid to a Blackstart Owner for the provision of Blackstart Service from a Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Blackstart Station** is comprised of (i) a single Designated Blackstart Resource or (ii) two or more Designated Blackstart Resources that share Blackstart Equipment.

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment** is the Commission-approved compensation, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT, paid to a Blackstart Owner on a monthly basis for the provision of Blackstart Service by Designated Blackstart Resources located at a specific Blackstart Station.

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate Capital Payment** is a component of the Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment that reflects a Blackstart Station’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (excluding the capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Blackstart Station-specific Rate CIP Capital Payment** is a component of the Blackstart Station-specific Rate Payment that reflects a Blackstart Station’s capital costs associated with compliance with NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service.

**Block** is defined as follows: (1) With respect to Bilateral Contracts, a Bilateral Contract administered by the ISO for an hour; (2) with respect to Supply Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Supply Offers for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (3) with respect to Demand Bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Demand Bids for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (4) with respect to Increment Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Increment Offers for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (5) with respect to Decrement Bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Decrement Bids for Energy may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); (6) with respect to Asset Related Demand bids administered by the ISO, a quantity with a related price for Energy (Asset Related Demand bids may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for each hour); and (7) with respect to Demand Reduction Offers administered by the ISO, a quantity of reduced demand with a
related price (for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Reduction Offers may contain multiple sets of quantity and price pairs for the day).

**Block-Hours** are the number of Blocks administered for a particular hour.

**Budget and Finance Subcommittee** is a subcommittee of the Participants Committee, the responsibilities of which are specified in Section 8.4 of the Participants Agreement.

**Business Day** is any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or ISO holidays as posted by the ISO on its website.

**Cancelled Start NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Capability Demonstration Year** is the one year period from September 1 through August 31.

**Capability Year** means a year’s period beginning on June 1 and ending May 31.

**Capacity Acquiring Resource** is a resource that is seeking to acquire a Capacity Supply Obligation through: (1) a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.1, or; (2) an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, as described in Section III.13.4.

**Capacity Balancing Ratio** is a ratio used in calculating the Capacity Performance Payment in the Forward Capacity Market beginning on June 1, 2018 pursuant to rules filed with the Commission on July 14, 2014.

**Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard** has the meaning specified in Schedule 22, Schedule 23, and Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Clearing Price** is the clearing price for a Capacity Zone for a Capacity Commitment Period resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction conducted for that Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in accordance with Section III.13.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Clearing Price Floor** is described in Section III.13.2.7.
**Capacity Commitment Period** is the one-year period from June 1 through May 31 for which obligations are assumed and payments are made in the Forward Capacity Market.

**Capacity Cost (CC)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Capacity Export Through Import Constrained Zone Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation** is the quantity of capacity for which a Market Participant is financially responsible, equal to that Market Participant’s Capacity Requirement (if any) adjusted to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, as described in Section III.13.7.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation Acquiring Participant** is a load serving entity or any other Market Participant seeking to acquire a Capacity Load Obligation through a Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Network Import Capability (CNI Capability)** is as defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service (CNI Interconnection Service)** is as defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral** is a bilateral contract through which a Market Participant may transfer all or a portion of its Capacity Load Obligation to another entity, as described in Section III.13.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Load Obligation Transferring Participant** is an entity that has a Capacity Load Obligation and is seeking to shed such obligation through a Capacity Load Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Network Resource (CNR)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.
Capacity Network Resource Interconnection Service (CNR Interconnection Service) is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.

Capacity Performance Payment is the performance-dependent portion of revenue received in the Forward Capacity Market beginning on June 1, 2018 pursuant to rules filed with the Commission on July 14, 2014.

Capacity Rationing Rule addresses whether offers and bids in a Forward Capacity Auction may be rationed, as described in Section III.13.2.6 of Market Rule 1.

Capacity Requirement is described in Section III.13.7.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

Capacity Scarcity Condition is a period during which performance is measured in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in the rules filed with the Commission on January 17, 2014, and accepted by the Commission on May 30, 2014.

Capacity Supply Obligation is an obligation to provide capacity from a resource, or a portion thereof, to satisfy a portion of the Installed Capacity Requirement that is acquired through a Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with Section III.13.2, a reconfiguration auction in accordance with Section III.13.4, or a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral in accordance with Section III.13.5.1 of Market Rule 1.

Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral is a bilateral contract through which a Market Participant may transfer all or a part of its Capacity Supply Obligation to another entity, as described in Section III.13.5.1 of Market Rule 1.

Capacity Transfer Right (CTR) is a financial right that entitles the holder to the difference in the Net Regional Clearing Prices between Capacity Zones for which the transfer right is defined, in the MW amount of the holder’s entitlement.

Capacity Transferring Resource is a resource that has a Capacity Supply Obligation and is seeking to shed such obligation, or a portion thereof, through: (1) a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, as described in Section III.13.5.1, or; (2) an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, as described in Section III.13.4.
**Capacity Value** is the value (in kW-month) of a Demand Resource for a month determined pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Zone** is a geographic sub-region of the New England Control Area as determined in accordance with Section III.12.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Capacity Zone Demand Curves** are the demand curves used in the Forward Capacity Market for a Capacity Zone as specified in Sections III.13.2.2.2 and III.13.2.2.3.

**Capital Funding Charge (CFC)** is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

**CARL Data** is Control Area reliability data submitted to the ISO to permit an assessment of the ability of an external Control Area to provide energy to the New England Control Area in support of capacity offered to the New England Control Area by that external Control Area.

**Category A Designated Blackstart Resource** is a Designated Blackstart Resource that has committed to provide Blackstart Service under a “Signature Page for Schedule 16 of the NEPOOL OATT” that was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 2013 and has not been converted to a Category B Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Category B Designated Blackstart Resource** is a Designated Blackstart Resource that is not a Category A Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Charge** is a sum of money due from a Covered Entity to the ISO, either in its individual capacity or as billing and collection agent for NEPOOL pursuant to the Participants Agreement.

**CLAIM10** is the value, expressed in megawatts, calculated pursuant to Section III.9.5.3 of the Tariff.

**CLAIM30** is the value, expressed in megawatts, calculated pursuant to Section III.9.5.3 of the Tariff.

**Claimed Capability Audit** is performed to determine the real power output capability of a Generator Asset.
Cluster Enabling Transmission Upgrade (CETU) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Enabling Transmission Upgrade Regional Planning Study (CRPS) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Entry Deadline has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Cluster Interconnection System Impact Study (CSIS) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Clustering has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

CNR Capability is defined in Section I of Schedule 22 and Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 of the OATT.

Coincident Peak Contribution is a Market Participant’s share of the New England Control Area coincident peak demand for the prior calendar year as determined prior to the start of each power year, which reflects the sum of the prior year’s annual coincident peak contributions of the customers served by the Market Participant at each Load Asset in all Load Zones. Daily Coincident Peak Contribution values shall be submitted by the Assigned Meter Reader or Host Participant by the meter reading deadline to the ISO.

Commercial Capacity, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, is defined in Section VII.A of that policy.

Commission is the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Commitment Period is (i) for a Day-Ahead Energy Market commitment, a period of one or more contiguous hours for which a Resource is cleared in the Day-Ahead Energy Market, and (ii) for a Real-Time Energy Market commitment, the period of time for which the ISO indicates the Resource is being committed when it issues the Dispatch Instruction. If the ISO does not indicate the period of time for
which the Resource is being committed in the Real-Time Energy Market, then the Commitment Period is
the Minimum Run Time for an offline Resource and one hour for an online Resource.

**Common Costs** are those costs associated with a Station that are avoided only by the clearing of the
Static De-List Bids, the Permanent De-List Bids, or the Retirement De-List Bids of all the Existing
Generating Capacity Resources comprising the Station.

**Completed Application** is an Application that satisfies all of the information and other requirements of
the OATT, including any required deposit.

**Compliance Effective Date** is the date upon which the changes in the predecessor NEPOOL Open
Access Transmission Tariff which have been reflected herein to comply with the Commission’s Order of
April 20, 1998 became effective.

**Composite FCM Transaction** is a transaction for separate resources seeking to participate as a single
composite resource in a Forward Capacity Auction in which multiple Designated FCM Participants
provide capacity, as described in Section III.13.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Conditional Qualified New Resource** is defined in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f) of Market Rule 1.

**Confidential Information** is defined in Section 2.1 of the ISO New England Information Policy, which
is Attachment D to the Tariff.

**Confidentiality Agreement** is Attachment 1 to the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Congestion** is a condition of the New England Transmission System in which transmission limitations
prevent unconstrained regional economic dispatch of the power system. Congestion is the condition that
results in the Congestion Component of the Locational Marginal Price at one Location being different
from the Congestion Component of the Locational Marginal Price at another Location during any given
hour of the dispatch day in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market.

**Congestion Component** is the component of the nodal price that reflects the marginal cost of congestion
at a given Node or External Node relative to the reference point. When used in connection with Zonal
Price and Hub Price, the term Congestion Component refers to the Congestion Components of the nodal
prices that comprise the Zonal Price and Hub Price weighted and averaged in the same way that nodal prices are weighted to determine Zonal Price and averaged to determine the Hub Price.

**Congestion Cost** is the cost of congestion as measured by the difference between the Congestion Components of the Locational Marginal Prices at different Locations and/or Reliability Regions on the New England Transmission System.

**Congestion Paying LSE** is, for the purpose of the allocation of FTR Auction Revenues to ARR Holders as provided for in Appendix C of Market Rule 1, a Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer that is responsible for paying for Congestion Costs as a Transmission Customer paying for Regional Network Service under the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, unless such Transmission Customer has transferred its obligation to supply load in accordance with ISO New England System Rules, in which case the Congestion Paying LSE shall be the Market Participant supplying the transferred load obligation. The term Congestion Paying LSE shall be deemed to include, but not be limited to, the seller of internal bilateral transactions that transfer Real-Time Load Obligations under the ISO New England System Rules.

**Congestion Revenue Fund** is the amount available for payment of target allocations to FTR Holders from the collection of Congestion Cost.

**Congestion Shortfall** means congestion payments exceed congestion charges during the billing process in any billing period.

**Control Agreement** is the document posted on the ISO website that is required if a Market Participant’s cash collateral is to be invested in BlackRock funds.

**Control Area** is an electric power system or combination of electric power systems to which a common automatic generation control scheme is applied in order to:

1. match, at all times, the power output of the generators within the electric power system(s) and capacity and energy purchased from entities outside the electric power system(s), with the load within the electric power system(s);
2. maintain scheduled interchange with other Control Areas, within the limits of Good Utility Practice;
(3) maintain the frequency of the electric power system(s) within reasonable limits in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the criteria of the applicable regional reliability council or the North American Electric Reliability Corporation; and

(4) provide sufficient generating capacity to maintain operating reserves in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

**Coordinated External Transaction** is an External Transaction at an external interface for which the enhanced scheduling procedures in Section III.1.10.7.A are implemented. A transaction to wheel energy into, out of or through the New England Control Area is not a Coordinated External Transaction.

**Coordinated Transaction Scheduling** means the enhanced scheduling procedures set forth in Section III.1.10.7.A.

**Correction Limit** means the date that is one hundred and one (101) calendar days from the last Operating Day of the month to which the data applied. As described in Section III.3.6.1 of Market Rule 1, this will be the period during which meter data corrections must be submitted unless they qualify for submission as a Requested Billing Adjustment under Section III.3.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Cost of Energy Consumed (CEC)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Cost of Energy Produced (CEP)** is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Cost of New Entry (CONE)** is the estimated cost of new entry ($/kW-month) for a capacity resource that is determined by the ISO for each Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.4.

**Counterparty** means the status in which the ISO acts as the contracting party, in its name and own right and not as an agent, to an agreement or transaction with a Customer (including assignments involving Customers) involving sale to the ISO, and/or purchase from the ISO, of Regional Transmission Service and market and other products and services, and other transactions and assignments involving Customers, all as described in the Tariff.

**Covered Entity** is defined in the ISO New England Billing Policy.
**Credit Coverage** is third-party credit protection obtained by the ISO, in the form of credit insurance coverage, a performance or surety bond, or a combination thereof.

**Credit Qualifying** means a Rated Market Participant that has an Investment Grade Rating and an Unrated Market Participant that satisfies the Credit Threshold.

**Credit Threshold** consists of the conditions for Unrated Market Participants outlined in Section II.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII)** is defined in Section 3.0(j) of the ISO New England Information Policy, which is Attachment D to the Tariff.

**Current Ratio** is, on any date, all of a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s current assets divided by all of its current liabilities, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

**Curtailment** is a reduction in the dispatch of a transaction that was scheduled, using transmission service, in response to a transfer capability shortage as a result of system reliability conditions.

**Customer** is a Market Participant, a Transmission Customer or another customer of the ISO.

**Data Reconciliation Process** means the process by which meter reconciliation and data corrections that are discovered by Governance Participants after the Invoice has been issued for a particular month or that are discovered prior to the issuance of the Invoice for the relevant month but not included in that Invoice or in the other Invoices for that month and are reconciled by the ISO on an hourly basis based on data submitted to the ISO by the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader or Assigned Meter Reader.

**Day-Ahead** is the calendar day immediately preceding the Operating Day.

**Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Congestion Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(f) of Market Rule 1.
**Day-Ahead Demand Reduction Obligation** is a cleared Demand Reduction Offer multiplied by one plus the percent average avoided peak distribution losses. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Day-Ahead Demand Reduction Obligation is the hourly demand reduction amounts of a Demand Response Resource scheduled by the ISO as a result of the Day-Ahead Energy Market, multiplied by one plus the percent average avoided peak distribution losses.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market** means the schedule of commitments for the purchase or sale of energy, payment of Congestion Costs, payment for losses developed by the ISO as a result of the offers and specifications submitted in accordance with Section III.1.10 of Market Rule 1 and purchase of demand reductions pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Congestion Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Energy Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market Loss Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Energy Market NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead External Transaction Export and Decrement Bid NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead External Transaction Import and Increment Offer NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Generation Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Load Response Program** provides a Day-Ahead aspect to the Load Response Program. The Day-Ahead Load Response Program allows Market Participants with registered Load Response Program
Assets to make energy reduction offers into the Day-Ahead Load Response Program concurrent with the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**Day-Ahead Locational Adjusted Net Interchange** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(a)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Loss Charges or Credits** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(h) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Loss Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(g) of Market Rule 1.

**Day-Ahead Prices** means the Locational Marginal Prices resulting from the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**DDP Dispatchable Resource** is any Dispatchable Resource that the ISO dispatches using Desired Dispatch Points in the Resource’s Dispatch Instructions.

**Debt-to-Total Capitalization Ratio** is, on any date, a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s total debt (including all current borrowings) divided by its total shareholders’ equity plus total debt, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

**Decrement Bid** means a bid to purchase energy at a specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market which is not associated with a physical load. An accepted Decrement Bid results in scheduled load at the specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

**Default Amount** is all or any part of any amount due to be paid by any Covered Entity that the ISO, in its reasonable opinion, believes will not or has not been paid when due (other than in the case of a payment dispute for any amount due for transmission service under the OATT).

**Default Period** is defined in Section 3.3.h(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Delivering Party** is the entity supplying capacity and/or energy to be transmitted at Point(s) of Receipt under the OATT.
**Demand Bid** means a request to purchase an amount of energy, at a specified Location, or an amount of energy at a specified price, that is associated with a physical load. A cleared Demand Bid in the Day-Ahead Energy Market results in scheduled load at the specified Location. Demand Bids submitted for use in the Real-Time Energy Market are specific to Dispatchable Asset Related Demands only.

**Demand Bid Block-Hours** are the Block-Hours assigned to the submitting Customer for each Demand Bid.

**Demand Designated Entity** is the entity designated by a Market Participant to receive Dispatch Instructions for Demand Response Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources in accordance with the provisions set forth in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14.

**Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Demand Reduction Offer. Blocks of the Demand Reduction Offer in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours for a given day. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for the entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of “available,” the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours.

**Demand Reduction Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant with a Real-Time Demand Response Asset to reduce demand. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Reduction Offer is an offer by a Market Participant with a Demand Response Resource to reduce demand.

**Demand Reduction Threshold Price** is a minimum offer price calculated pursuant to Section III.E1.6 and Section III.E2.6.

**Demand Reduction Value** is the quantity of reduced demand calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Demand Resource** is a resource defined as Demand Response Capacity Resources, On-Peak Demand Resources, Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. Demand Resources are installed measures (i.e., products, equipment,
systems, services, practices and/or strategies) that result in additional and verifiable reductions in end-use demand on the electricity network in the New England Control Area pursuant to Appendix III.E1 and Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1, or during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours, respectively. A Demand Resource may include a portfolio of measures aggregated together to meet or exceed the minimum Resource size requirements of the Forward Capacity Auction.

**Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit** is an audit initiated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.4.

**Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours** are those hours, or portions thereof, in which, absent the dispatch of Real-Time Demand Response Resources, Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide implementation of the action of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 4 where the ISO would have begun to allow the depletion of Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve is forecasted in the ISO’s most recent next-day forecast.

**Demand Resource On-Peak Hours** are hours ending 1400 through 1700, Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays during the months of June, July, and August and hours ending 1800 through 1900, Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays during the months of December and January.

**Demand Resource Operable Capacity Analysis** means an analysis performed by the ISO estimating the expected dispatch hours of active Demand Resources given different assumed levels of Demand Resources clearing in the primary Forward Capacity Auction.

**Demand Resource Performance Incentives** means the additional monthly capacity payment that a Demand Resource may earn for producing a positive Monthly Capacity Variance in a period where other Demand Resources yield a negative monthly capacity variance.

**Demand Resource Performance Penalties** means the reduction in the monthly capacity payment to a Demand Resource for producing a negative Monthly Capacity Variance.

**Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours** are those hours in which the actual, real-time hourly load, as measured using real-time telemetry (adjusted for transmission and distribution losses, and excluding load
associated with Exports and the pumping load associated with pumped storage generators) for Monday through Friday on non-Demand Response Holidays, during the months of June, July, August, December, and January, as determined by the ISO, is equal to or greater than 90% of the most recent 50/50 system peak load forecast, as determined by the ISO, for the applicable summer or winter season.

**Demand Response Asset** is an asset comprising the demand reduction capability of an individual end-use customer at a Retail Delivery Point or the aggregated demand reduction capability of multiple end use customers from multiple delivery points that meets the registration requirements in Section III.E2.2. The demand reduction of a Demand Response Asset is the difference between the Demand Response Asset’s actual demand measured at the Retail Delivery Point, which could reflect Net Supply, at the time the Demand Response Resource to which the asset is associated is dispatched by the ISO, and its adjusted Demand Response Baseline.

**Demand Response Available** is the capability of the Demand Response Resource, in whole or in part, at any given time, to reduce demand in response to a Dispatch Instruction.

**Demand Response Baseline** is the expected baseline demand of an individual end-use metered customer or group of end-use metered customers or the expected output levels of the generation of an individual end-use metered customer whose asset is comprised of Distributed Generation as determined pursuant to Section III.8A or Section III.8B.

**Demand Response Capacity Resource** is one or more Demand Response Resources located within the same Dispatch Zone, that is registered with the ISO, assigned a unique resource identification number by the ISO, and participates in the Forward Capacity Market to fulfill a Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation pursuant to Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.

**Demand Response Holiday** is New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. If the holiday falls on a Saturday, the holiday will be observed on the preceding Friday; if the holiday falls on a Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the following Monday.

**Demand Response Regulation Resource** is a Real-Time Demand Response Resource eligible to provide Regulation.
**Demand Response Resource** is an individual Demand Response Asset or aggregation of Demand Response Assets within a Dispatch Zone that meets the registration requirements and participates in the Energy Market pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

**Demand Response Resource Notification Time** is the minimum time, from the receipt of a Dispatch Instruction, that it takes a Demand Response Resource that was not previously reducing demand to start reducing demand.

**Demand Response Resource Ramp Rate** is the average rate, expressed in MW per minute, at which the Demand Response Resource can reduce demand.

**Demand Response Resource Start-Up Time** is the time required from the time a Demand Response Resource that was not previously reducing demand starts reducing demand in response to a Dispatch Instruction and the time the resource achieves its Minimum Reduction.

**Designated Agent** is any entity that performs actions or functions required under the OATT on behalf of the ISO, a Transmission Owner, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, an Eligible Customer, or a Transmission Customer.

**Designated Blackstart Resource** is a resource that meets the eligibility requirements specified in Schedule 16 of the OATT, and may be a Category A Designated Blackstart Resource or a Category B Designated Blackstart Resource.

**Designated Entity** is the entity designated by a Market Participant to receive Dispatch Instructions for generation and/or Dispatchable Asset Related Demand in accordance with the provisions set forth in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14.

**Designated FCM Participant** is any Lead Market Participant, including any Provisional Member that is a Lead Market Participant, transacting in any Forward Capacity Auction, reconfiguration auctions or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for capacity that is otherwise required to provide additional financial assurance under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
Designated FTR Participant is a Market Participant, including FTR-Only Customers, transacting in the FTR Auction that is otherwise required to provide additional financial assurance under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Desired Dispatch Point (DDP) is the Dispatch Rate expressed in megawatts.

Direct Assignment Facilities are facilities or portions of facilities that are constructed for the sole use/benefit of a particular Transmission Customer requesting service under the OATT or a Generator Owner requesting an interconnection. Direct Assignment Facilities shall be specified in a separate agreement among the ISO, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Customer, as applicable, and the Transmission Owner whose transmission system is to be modified to include and/or interconnect with the Direct Assignment Facilities, shall be subject to applicable Commission requirements, and shall be paid for by the Customer in accordance with the applicable agreement and the Tariff.

Directly Metered Assets are specifically measured by OP-18 compliant metering as currently described in Section IV (Metering and Recording for Settlements) of OP-18. Directly Metered Assets include all Tie-Line Assets, all Generator Assets, as well as some Load Assets. Load Assets for which the Host Participant is not the Assigned Meter Reader are considered Directly Metered Assets. In addition, the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader determines which additional Load Assets are considered Directly Metered Assets and which ones are considered Profiled Load Assets based upon the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader reporting systems and process by which the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader allocates non-PTF losses.

Disbursement Agreement is the Rate Design and Funds Disbursement Agreement among the PTOs, as amended and restated from time to time.

Dispatch Instruction means directions given by the ISO to Market Participants, which may include instructions to start up, shut down, raise or lower generation, curtail or restore loads from Demand Resources, change External Transactions, or change the status or consumption of a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand in accordance with the Supply Offer, Demand Bid, or Demand Reduction Offer parameters. Such instructions may also require a change to the operation of a Pool Transmission Facility. Such instructions are given through either electronic or verbal means.
**Dispatch Rate** means the control signal, expressed in dollars per MWh and/or megawatts, calculated and transmitted to direct the output, consumption or demand reduction level of each generating Resource, Dispatchable Asset Related Demand and Demand Response Resource dispatched by the ISO in accordance with the Offer Data.

**Dispatch Zone** means a subset of Nodes located within a Load Zone established by the ISO for each Capacity Commitment Period pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.6.1.

**Dispatchable Asset Related Demand** is any portion of an Asset Related Demand of a Market Participant that is capable of having its energy consumption modified in Real-Time in response to Dispatch Instructions has Electronic Dispatch Capability, and must be able to increase or decrease energy consumption between its Minimum Consumption Limit and Maximum Consumption Limit in accordance with Dispatch Instructions and must meet the technical requirements specified in the ISO New England Manuals. Pumped storage facilities may qualify as Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resources, however, such resources shall not qualify as a capacity resource for both the generating output and dispatchable pumping demand of the facility.

**DARD Pump** is a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that consists of all or part of the pumping load of a pumped storage generating Resource and that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; (iii) is available for dispatch and manned or has automatic remote dispatch capability, and; (iv) is capable of receiving a start-up or shutdown Dispatch Instruction electronically.

**Dispatchable Resource** is any generating unit, Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, Demand Response Resource, Demand Response Regulation Resource or Alternative Technology Regulation Resource that, during the course of normal operation, is capable of receiving and responding to electronic Dispatch Instructions in accordance with the parameters contained in the Resource’s Supply Offer, Demand Bid, Demand Reduction Offer or Regulation Service Offer. A Resource that is normally classified as a Dispatchable Resource remains a Dispatchable Resource when it is temporarily not capable of receiving and responding to electronic Dispatch Instructions.

**Dispute Representatives** are defined in 6.5.c of the ISO New England Billing Policy.
**Disputed Amount** is a Covered Entity’s disputed amount due on any fully paid monthly Invoice and/or any amount believed to be due or owed on a Remittance Advice, as defined in Section 6 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Disputing Party**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, is any Covered Entity seeking to recover a Disputed Amount.

**Distributed Generation** means generation resources directly connected to end-use customer load and located behind the end-use customer’s meter, which reduce the amount of energy that would otherwise have been produced by other capacity resources on the electricity network in the New England Control Area during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours, provided that the aggregate nameplate capacity of the generation resource does not exceed 5 MW, or does not exceed the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand of the end-use metered customer at the location where the generation resource is directly connected, whichever is greater. Generation resources cannot participate in the Forward Capacity Market or the Energy Markets as Demand Resources or Demand Response Resources, unless they meet the definition of Distributed Generation.

**Do Not Exceed (DNE) Dispatchable Generator** is any Generator Asset that is dispatched using Do Not Exceed Dispatch Points in its Dispatch Instructions and meets the criteria specified in Section III.11.3(e). Do Not Exceed Dispatchable Generators are Dispatchable Resources.

**Do Not Exceed Dispatch Point** is a Dispatch Instruction indicating a maximum output level that a DNE Dispatchable Generator must not exceed.

**DR Auditing Period** is the summer DR Auditing Period or winter DR Auditing Period as defined in Section III.13.6.1.5.4.3.1.

**Dynamic De-List Bid** is a bid that may be submitted by Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources in the Forward Capacity Auction below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold** is the price specified in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.A of Market Rule 1 associated with the submission of Dynamic De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity Auction.
**EA Amount** is defined in Section IV.B.2.2 of the Tariff.

**Early Amortization Charge (EAC)** is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

**Early Amortization Working Capital Charge (EAWCC)** is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

**Early Payment Shortfall Funding Amount (EPSF Amount)** is defined in Section IV.B.2.4 of the Tariff.

**Early Payment Shortfall Funding Charge (EPSFC)** is defined in Section IV.B.2 of the Tariff.

**EAWW Amount** is defined in Section IV.B.2.3 of the Tariff.

**EBITDA-to-Interest Expense Ratio** is, on any date, a Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization in the most recent fiscal quarter divided by that Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s expense for interest in that fiscal quarter, in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer to the ISO.

**Economic Dispatch Point** is the output level or consumption level to which a Resource would have been dispatched, based on the Resource’s Supply Offer or Demand Bid and the Real-Time Price, and taking account of any operating limits, had the ISO not dispatched the Resource to another Desired Dispatch Point.

**Economic Maximum Limit or Economic Max** is the maximum available output, in MW, of a resource that a Market Participant offers to supply in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the resource’s Supply Offer. This represents the highest MW output a Market Participant has offered for a resource for economic dispatch. A Market Participant must maintain an up-to-date Economic Maximum Limit for all hours in which a resource has been offered into the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market.

**Economic Minimum Limit or Economic Min** is (a) for Resources with an incremental heat rate, the maximum of: (i) the lowest sustainable output level as specified by physical design characteristics,
environmental regulations or licensing limits; and (ii) the lowest sustainable output level at which a one
MW increment increase in the output level would not decrease the incremental cost, calculated based on
the incremental heat rate, of providing an additional MW of output, and (b) for Resources without an
incremental heat rate, the lowest sustainable output level that is consistent with the physical design
characteristics of the Resource and with meeting all environmental regulations and licensing limits, and
(c) for Resources undergoing Facility and Equipment Testing or auditing, the level to which the Resource
requests and is approved to operate or is directed to operate for purposes of completing the Facility and
Equipment Testing or auditing, and (d) for Non-Dispatchable Resources the output level at which a
Market Participant anticipates its Non-Dispatchable Resource will be available to operate based on fuel
limitations, physical design characteristics, environmental regulations or licensing limits.

**Economic Study** is defined in Section 4.1(b) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Effective Offer** is the set of Supply Offer values (or Demand Bid values in the case of DARD Pumps)
that are used for NCPC calculation purposes as specified in Section III.F.1.a.

**EFT** is electronic funds transfer.

**Elective Transmission Upgrade** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer** is defined in Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Electric Reliability Organization (ERO)** is defined in 18 C.F.R. § 39.1.

**Electronic Dispatch Capability** is the ability to provide for the electronic transmission, receipt, and
acknowledgment of data relative to the dispatch of generating units and Dispatchable Asset Related
Demands and the ability to carry out the real-time dispatch processes from ISO issuance of Dispatch
Instructions to the actual increase or decrease in output of Dispatchable Resources.

**Eligible Customer** is: (i) Any entity that is engaged, or proposes to engage, in the wholesale or retail
electric power business is an Eligible Customer under the OATT. (ii) Any electric utility (including any
power marketer), Federal power marketing agency, or any other entity generating electric energy for sale
or for resale is an Eligible Customer under the OATT. Electric energy sold or produced by such entity
may be electric energy produced in the United States, Canada or Mexico. However, with respect to
transmission service that the Commission is prohibited from ordering by Section 212(h) of the Federal Power Act, such entity is eligible only if the service is provided pursuant to a state requirement that the Transmission Owner with which that entity is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) offer the unbundled transmission service or Local Delivery Service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by the Transmission Owner with which that entity is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer). (iii) Any end user taking or eligible to take unbundled transmission service or Local Delivery Service pursuant to a state requirement that the Transmission Owner with which that end user is directly interconnected or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) offer the transmission service or Local Delivery Service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by the Transmission Owner with which that end user is directly interconnected, or the distribution company having the service territory in which that entity is located (if that entity is a retail customer) is an Eligible Customer under the OATT.

**Eligible FTR Bidder** is an entity that has satisfied applicable financial assurance criteria, and shall not include the auctioneer, its Affiliates, and their officers, directors, employees, consultants and other representatives.

**Emergency** is an abnormal system condition on the bulk power systems of New England or neighboring Control Areas requiring manual or automatic action to maintain system frequency, or to prevent the involuntary loss of load, equipment damage, or tripping of system elements that could adversely affect the reliability of an electric system or the safety of persons or property; or a fuel shortage requiring departure from normal operating procedures in order to minimize the use of such scarce fuel; or a condition that requires implementation of Emergency procedures as defined in the ISO New England Manuals.

**Emergency Condition** means an Emergency has been declared by the ISO in accordance with the procedures set forth in the ISO New England Manuals and ISO New England Administrative Procedures.

**Emergency Energy** is energy transferred from one control area operator to another in an Emergency.

**Emergency Minimum Limit or Emergency Min** means the minimum generation amount, in MWs, that a generating unit can deliver for a limited period of time without exceeding specified limits of equipment stability and operating permits.
**EMS** is energy management system.

**End-of-Round Price** is the lowest price associated with a round of a Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**End User Participant** is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Energy** is power produced in the form of electricity, measured in kilowatthours or megawatthours.

**Energy Administration Service (EAS)** is the service provided by the ISO, as described in Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff.

**Energy Component** means the Locational Marginal Price at the reference point.

**Energy Efficiency** is installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy needed, while delivering a comparable or improved level of end-use service. Such measures include, but are not limited to, the installation of more energy efficient lighting, motors, refrigeration, HVAC equipment and control systems, envelope measures, operations and maintenance procedures, and industrial process equipment.

**Energy Imbalance Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 4 of the OATT.


**Energy Non-Zero Spot Market Settlement Hours** are the sum of the hours for which the Customer has a positive or negative Real-Time System Adjusted Net Interchange or for which the Customer has a positive or negative Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation as determined by the ISO settlement process for the Energy Market.

**Energy Offer Cap** is $1,000/MWh.

**Energy Offer Floor** is negative $150/MWh.
Energy Transaction Units (Energy TUs) are the sum for the month for a Customer of Bilateral Contract Block-Hours, Demand Bid Block-Hours, Asset Related Demand Bid Block-Hours, Supply Offer Block-Hours, Demand Reduction Offer Block-Hours, and Energy Non-Zero Spot Market Settlement Hours.

Enrolling Participant is the Market Participant that registers Customers for the Load Response Program.

Equipment Damage Reimbursement is the compensation paid to the owner of a Designated Blackstart Resource as specified in Section 5.5 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

Equivalent Demand Forced Outage Rate (EFORd) means the portion of time a unit is in demand, but is unavailable due to forced outages.

Estimated Capacity Load Obligation is, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, the Capacity Requirement from the latest available month, adjusted as appropriate to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICCs, and Self-Supplied FCA Resource designations for the applicable month.

Establish Claimed Capability Audit is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.2.

Excepted Transaction is a transaction specified in Section II.40 of the Tariff for the applicable period specified in that Section.

Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Capacity Qualification Package is information submitted for certain existing resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Capacity Resource is any resource that does not meet any of the eligibility criteria to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Capacity Resource, and, subject to ISO evaluation, for the Forward Capacity Auction to be conducted beginning February 1, 2008, any resource that is under construction and within 12 months of its expected commercial operations date.
Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Capacity Retirement Package is information submitted for certain existing resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Demand Resource is a type of Demand Resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.4.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Generating Capacity Resource is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

Existing Import Capacity Resource is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

Expedited Study Request is defined in Section II.34.7 of the OATT.

Export-Adjusted LSR is as defined in Section III.12.4(b)(ii).

Export Bid is a bid that may be submitted by certain resources in the Forward Capacity Auction to export capacity to an external Control Area, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.3 of Market Rule 1.

Exports are Real-Time External Transactions, which are limited to sales from the New England Control Area, for exporting energy out of the New England Control Area.

External Elective Transmission Upgrade (External ETU) is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

External Market Monitor means the person or entity appointed by the ISO Board of Directors pursuant to Section III.A.1.2 of Appendix A of Market Rule 1 to carry out the market monitoring and mitigation functions specified in Appendix A and elsewhere in Market Rule 1.
**External Node** is a proxy bus or buses used for establishing a Locational Marginal Price for energy received by Market Participants from, or delivered by Market Participants to, a neighboring Control Area or for establishing Locational Marginal Prices associated with energy delivered through the New England Control Area by Non-Market Participants for use in calculating Non-Market Participant Congestion Costs and loss costs.

**External Resource** means a generation resource located outside the metered boundaries of the New England Control Area.

**External Transaction** is the import of external energy into the New England Control Area by a Market Participant or the export of internal energy out of the New England Control Area by a Market Participant in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and/or Real-Time Energy Market, or the wheeling of external energy through the New England Control Area by a Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant in the Real-Time Energy Market.

**External Transmission Project** is a transmission project comprising facilities located wholly outside the New England Control Area and regarding which an agreement has been reached whereby New England ratepayers will support all or a portion of the cost of the facilities.

**Facilities Study** is an engineering study conducted pursuant to the OATT by the ISO (or, in the case of Local Service or interconnections to Local Area Facilities as defined in the TOA, by one or more affected PTOs) or some other entity designated by the ISO in consultation with any affected Transmission Owner(s), to determine the required modifications to the PTF and Non-PTF, including the cost and scheduled completion date for such modifications, that will be required to provide a requested transmission service or interconnection on the PTF and Non-PTF.

**Facility and Equipment Testing** means operation of a Resource to evaluate the functionality of the facility or equipment utilized in the operation of the facility.

**Failure to Maintain Blackstart Capability** is a failure of a Blackstart Owner or Designated Blackstart Resource to meet the Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria or Blackstart Service obligations, but does not include a Failure to Perform During a System Restoration event.
**Failure to Perform During a System Restoration** is a failure of a Blackstart Owner or Designated Blackstart Resource to follow ISO or Local Control Center dispatch instructions or perform in accordance with the dispatch instructions or the Blackstart Service Minimum Criteria and Blackstart Service obligations, described within the ISO New England Operating Documents, during a restoration of the New England Transmission System.

**Fast Start Demand Response Resource** is a Demand Response Resource that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Reduction Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Time Between Reductions does not exceed one hour; (iii) Demand Response Resource Start-Up Time plus Demand Response Resource Notification Time does not exceed 30 minutes; (iv) has personnel available to respond to Dispatch Instructions or has automatic remote response capability; and (v) is capable of receiving and acknowledging a Dispatch Instruction electronically.

**Fast Start Generator** means a generating unit that the ISO may dispatch within the hour through electronic dispatch and that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; (iii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes; (iv) available for dispatch and manned or has automatic remote dispatch capability; and (v) capable of receiving and acknowledging a start-up or shut-down dispatch instruction electronically.

**FCA Cleared Export Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**FCA Payment** is the monthly capacity payment for a resource whose offer has cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.7.2.1.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**FCA Qualified Capacity** is the Qualified Capacity that is used in a Forward Capacity Auction.
**FCM Capacity Charge Requirements** are calculated in accordance with Section VII.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Charge Rate** is calculated in accordance with Section VII.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Deposit** is calculated in accordance with Section VII.B.1 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FCM Financial Assurance Requirements** are described in Section VII of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Final Forward Reserve Obligation** is calculated in accordance with Section III.9.8(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Financial Assurance Default** results from a Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s failure to comply with the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.


**Financial Transmission Right (FTR)** is a financial instrument that evidences the rights and obligations specified in Sections III.5.2.2 and III.7 of the Tariff.

**Firm Point-To-Point Service** is service which is arranged for and administered between specified Points of Receipt and Delivery in accordance with Part II.C of the OATT.

**Firm Transmission Service** is Regional Network Service, Through or Out Service, service for Excepted Transactions, firm MTF Service, firm OTF Service, and firm Local Service.

**Flexible DNE Dispatchable Generator** is any DNE Dispatchable Generator that meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; (ii) Minimum Down Time does not exceed one hour; and (iii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes.
**Force Majeure** - An event of Force Majeure means any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy or terrorists, war, invasion, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, ice, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any curtailment, order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond the control of the ISO, a Transmission Owner, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or a Customer, including without limitation, in the case of the ISO, any action or inaction by a Customer, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or a Transmission Owner, in the case of a Transmission Owner, any action or inaction by the ISO, any Customer, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or any other Transmission Owner, in the case of a Schedule 20A Service Provider, any action or inaction by the ISO, any Customer, a Transmission Owner, or any other Schedule 20A Service Provider, and, in the case of a Transmission Customer, any action or inaction by the ISO, a Schedule 20A Service Provider, or any Transmission Owner.

**Forecast Hourly Demand Reduction** means the estimated maximum quantity of energy reduction (MWh), measured at the end-use customer meter that can be produced by a Real-Time Demand Response Resource, or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, in each hour of an Operating Day. For a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset that is metered at the generator and associated with a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, the Forecast Hourly Demand Reduction means the estimated maximum generator output (MWh) in each hour of an Operating Day.

**Formal Warning** is defined in Section III.B.4.1.1 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Formula-Based Sanctions** are defined in Section III.B.4.1.3 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Auction (FCA)** is the annual Forward Capacity Market auction process, described in Section III.13.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.2.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Capacity Market (FCM)** is the forward market for procuring capacity in the New England Control Area, as described in Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve** means TMNSR and TMOR purchased by the ISO on a forward basis on behalf of Market Participants as provided for in Section III.9 of Market Rule 1.
**Forward Reserve Assigned Megawatts** is the amount of Forward Reserve, in megawatts, that a Market Participant assigns to eligible Forward Reserve Resources to meet its Forward Reserve Obligation as defined in Section III.9.4.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Auction** is the periodic auction conducted by the ISO in accordance with Section III.9 of Market Rule 1 to procure Forward Reserve.

**Forward Reserve Auction Offers** are offers to provide Forward Reserve to meet system and Reserve Zone requirements as submitted by a Market Participant in accordance with Section III.9.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Charge** is a Market Participant’s share of applicable system and Reserve Zone Forward Reserve costs attributable to meeting the Forward Reserve requirement as calculated in accordance with Section III.9.9 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Clearing Price** is the clearing price for TMNSR or TMOR, as applicable, for the system and each Reserve Zone resulting from the Forward Reserve Auction as defined in Section III.9.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Credit** is the credit received by a Market Participant that is associated with that Market Participant’s Final Forward Reserve Obligation as calculated in accordance with Section III.9.8 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Delivered Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.6.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Delivery Period** is defined in Section III.9.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.7.2(a) of Market Rule 1.
**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Penalty** is the penalty associated with a Market Participant’s failure to activate Forward Reserve when requested to do so by the ISO and is defined in Section III.9.7.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Activate Penalty Rate** is specified in Section III.9.7.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve**, as specified in Section III.9.7.1 of Market Rule 1, occurs when a Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Delivered Megawatts for a Reserve Zone in an hour is less than that Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Obligation for that Reserve Zone in that hour. Under these circumstances the Market Participant pays a penalty based upon the Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty Rate and that Market Participant’s Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Megawatts.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Megawatts** are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.7.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty** is the penalty associated with a Market Participant’s failure to reserve Forward Reserve and is defined in Section III.9.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Failure-to-Reserve Penalty Rate** is specified in Section III.9.7.1(b)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Fuel Index** is the index or set of indices used to calculate the Forward Reserve Threshold Price as defined in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Heat Rate** is the heat rate as defined in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1 that is used to calculate the Forward Reserve Threshold Price.

**Forward Reserve Market** is a market for forward procurement of two reserve products, Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR) and Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR).

**Forward Reserve MWs** are those megawatts assigned to specific eligible Forward Reserve Resources which convert a Forward Reserve Obligation into a Resource-specific obligation.
**Forward Reserve Obligation** is a Market Participant’s amount, in megawatts, of Forward Reserve that cleared in the Forward Reserve Auction and adjusted, as applicable, to account for bilateral transactions that transfer Forward Reserve Obligations.

**Forward Reserve Obligation Charge** is defined in Section III.10.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Offer Cap** is $9,000/megawatt-month.

**Forward Reserve Payment Rate** is defined in Section III.9.8 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Procurement Period** is defined in Section III.9.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Qualifying Megawatts** refer to all or a portion of a Forward Reserve Resource’s capability offered into the Real-Time Energy Market at energy offer prices above the applicable Forward Reserve Threshold Price that are calculated in accordance with Section III.9.6.4 of Market Rule 1.

**Forward Reserve Resource** is a Resource that meets the eligibility requirements defined in Section III.9.5.2 of Market Rule 1 that has been assigned Forward Reserve Obligation by a Market Participant.

**Forward Reserve Threshold Price** is the minimum price at which assigned Forward Reserve Megawatts are required to be offered into the Real-Time Energy Market as calculated in Section III.9.6.2 of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Auction** is the periodic auction of FTRs conducted by the ISO in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Auction Revenue** is the revenue collected from the sale of FTRs in FTR Auctions. FTR Auction Revenue is payable to FTR Holders who submit their FTRs for sale in the FTR Auction in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and to ARR Holders and Incremental ARR Holders in accordance with Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

**FTR Award Financial Assurance** is a required amount of financial assurance that must be maintained at all times from a Designated FTR Participant for each FTR awarded to the participant in any FTR
Auctions. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Bid Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required from a Designated FTR Participant for each bid submission into an FTR auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.B of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(b) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Financial Assurance Requirements** are described in Section VI of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**FTR Holder** is an entity that acquires an FTR through the FTR Auction to Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and registers with the ISO as the holder of the FTR in accordance with Section III.7 of Market Rule 1 and applicable ISO New England Manuals.

**FTR-Only Customer** is a Market Participant that transacts in the FTR Auction and that does not participate in other markets or programs of the New England Markets. References in this Tariff to a “Non-Market Participant FTR Customers” and similar phrases shall be deemed references to an FTR-Only Customer.

**FTR Settlement Risk Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required by a Designated FTR Participant for each bid submission into an FTR Auction and for each bid awarded to the individual participant in an FTR Auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.A of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**GADS Data** means data submitted to the NERC for collection into the NERC’s Generating Availability Data System (GADS).

**Gap Request for Proposals (Gap RFP)** is defined in Section III.11 of Market Rule 1.

**Gas Day** means a period of 24 consecutive hours beginning at 0900 hrs Central Time.
**Generating Capacity Resource** means a New Generating Capacity Resource or an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

**Generator Asset** is a generator that has been registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.

**Generator Imbalance Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 10 of the OATT.

**Generator Interconnection Related Upgrade** is an addition to or modification of the New England Transmission System (pursuant to Section II.47.1, Schedule 22 or Schedule 23 of the OATT) to effect the interconnection of a new generating unit or an existing generating unit whose energy capability or capacity capability is being materially changed and increased whether or not the interconnection is being effected to meet the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard or the Network Capability Interconnection Standard. As to Category A Projects (as defined in Schedule 11 of the OATT), a Generator Interconnection Related Upgrade also includes an upgrade beyond that required to satisfy the Network Capability Interconnection Standard (or its predecessor) for which the Generator Owner has committed to pay prior to October 29, 1998.

**Generator Owner** is the owner, in whole or part, of a generating unit whether located within or outside the New England Control Area.

**Good Utility Practice** means any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather includes all acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region, including those practices required by Federal Power Act Section 215(a)(4).

**Governance Only Member** is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Governance Participant** is defined in the Participants Agreement.
**Governing Documents**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, are the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff and ISO Participants Agreement.

**Governing Rating** is the lowest corporate rating from any Rating Agency for that Market Participant, or, if the Market Participant has no corporate rating, then the lowest rating from any Rating Agency for that Market Participant’s senior unsecured debt.

**Grandfathered Agreements (GAs)** is a transaction specified in Section II.45 for the applicable period specified in that Section.

**Grandfathered Intertie Agreement (GIA)** is defined pursuant to the TOA.

**Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs** is the Total Other Production Plant index shown in the Cost Trends of Electric Utility Construction for the North Atlantic Region as published in the Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs.

**Highgate Transmission Facilities (HTF)** are existing U. S.-based transmission facilities covered under the Agreement for Joint Ownership, Construction and Operation of the Highgate Transmission Interconnection dated as of August 1, 1984 including (1) the whole of a 200 megawatt high-voltage, back-to-back, direct-current converter facility located in Highgate, Vermont and (2) a 345 kilovolt transmission line within Highgate and Franklin, Vermont (which connects the converter facility at the U.S.-Canadian border to a Hydro-Quebec 120 kilovolt line in Bedford, Quebec). The HTF include any upgrades associated with increasing the capacity or changing the physical characteristics of these facilities as defined in the above stated agreement dated August 1, 1984 until the Operations Date, as defined in the TOA. The current HTF rating is a nominal 225 MW. The HTF are not defined as PTF. Coincident with the Operations Date and except as stipulated in Schedules, 9, 12, and Attachment F to the OATT, HTF shall be treated in the same manner as PTF for purposes of the OATT and all references to PTF in the OATT shall be deemed to apply to HTF as well. The treatment of the HTF is not intended to establish any binding precedent or presumption with regard to the treatment for other transmission facilities within the New England Transmission System (including HVDC, MTF, or Control Area Interties) for purposes of the OATT.
**Host Participant or Host Utility** is a Market Participant or a Governance Participant transmission or distribution provider that reconciles the loads within the metering domain with OP-18 compliant metering.

**Hourly Calculated Demand Resource Performance Value** means the performance of a Demand Resource during Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours and Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours for purposes of calculating a Demand Reduction Value pursuant to Sections III.13.7.1.5.7.3 and III.13.7.1.5.8.3.

**Hourly Charges** are defined in Section 1.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Hourly PER** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.2.7.1.1.1(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the difference between the Average Hourly Load Reduction or Average Hourly Output of the Real-Time Demand Response Resource and the amount of load reduction or output that the Market Participant was instructed to produce pursuant to a Dispatch Instruction calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.7.3.1.

**Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource Deviation** is calculated pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.8.3.1.

**Hourly Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(i) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Hourly Shortfall NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Hub** is a specific set of pre-defined Nodes for which a Locational Marginal Price will be calculated for the Day-Ahead Energy Market and Real-Time Energy Market and which can be used to establish a reference price for energy purchases and the transfer of Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligations and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligations and for the designation of FTRs.

**Hub Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.8 of Market Rule 1.
HQ Interconnection Capability Credit (HQICC) is a monthly value reflective of the annual installed capacity benefits of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF, as determined by the ISO, using a standard methodology on file with the Commission, in conjunction with the setting of the Installed Capacity Requirement. An appropriate share of the HQICC shall be assigned to an IRH if the Phase I/II HVDC-TF support costs are paid by that IRH and such costs are not included in the calculation of the Regional Network Service rate. The share of HQICC allocated to such an eligible IRH for a month is the sum in kilowatts of (1)(a) the IRH’s percentage share, if any, of the Phase I Transfer Capability times (b) the Phase I Transfer Credit, plus (2)(a) the IRH’s percentage share, if any, of the Phase II Transfer Capability, times (b) the Phase II Transfer Credit. The ISO shall establish appropriate HQICCs to apply for an IRH which has such a percentage share.

Import Capacity Resource means an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource offered to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from an external Control Area.

Inadvertent Energy Revenue is defined in Section III.3.2.1(k) of Market Rule 1.

Inadvertent Energy Revenue Charges or Credits is defined in Section III.3.2.1(l) of Market Rule 1.

Inadvertent Interchange means the difference between net actual energy flow and net scheduled energy flow into or out of the New England Control Area.

Increment Offer means an offer to sell energy at a specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market which is not associated with a physical supply. An accepted Increment Offer results in scheduled generation at the specified Location in the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

Incremental ARR is an ARR provided in recognition of a participant-funded transmission system upgrade pursuant to Appendix C of this Market Rule.

Incremental ARR Holder is an entity which is the record holder of an Incremental Auction Revenue Right in the register maintained by the ISO.

Incremental Cost of Reliability Service is described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.2 of Market Rule 1.
Independent Transmission Company (ITC) is a transmission entity that assumes certain responsibilities in accordance with Section 10.05 of the Transmission Operating Agreement and Attachment M to the OATT, subject to the acceptance or approval of the Commission and a finding of the Commission that the transmission entity satisfies applicable independence requirements.

Information Request is a request from a potential Disputing Party submitted in writing to the ISO for access to Confidential Information.

Initial Market Participant Financial Assurance Requirement is calculated for new Market Participants and Returning Market Participants, other than an FTR-Only Customer or a Governance Only Member, according to Section IV of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Installed Capacity Requirement means the level of capacity required to meet the reliability requirements defined for the New England Control Area, as described in Section III.12 of Market Rule 1.

Interchange Transactions are transactions deemed to be effected under Market Rule 1.

Interconnecting Transmission Owner has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Interconnection Agreement is the “Large Generator Interconnection Agreement”, the “Small Generator Interconnection Agreement”, or the “Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Agreement” pursuant to Schedules 22, 23 or 25 of the ISO OATT or an interconnection agreement approved by the Commission prior to the adoption of the Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection Customer has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, or Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Interconnection Procedure is the “Large Generator Interconnection Procedures”, the “Small Generator Interconnection Procedures”, or the “Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Procedures” pursuant to Schedules 22, 23, and 25 of the ISO OATT.
**Interconnection Request** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, or Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interconnection Rights Holder(s) (IRH)** has the meaning given to it in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23 and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Interest** is interest calculated in the manner specified in Section II.8.3.

**Interface Bid** is a unified real-time bid to simultaneously purchase and sell energy on each side of an external interface for which the enhanced scheduling procedures in Section III.1.10.7.A are implemented.

**Intermittent Power Resource** is a wind, solar, run of river hydro or other renewable resource that does not have control over its net power output.

**Intermittent Settlement Only Resource** is a Settlement Only Resource that is also an Intermittent Power Resource.

**Internal Bilateral for Load** is an internal bilateral transaction under which the buyer receives a reduction in Real-Time Load Obligation and the seller receives a corresponding increase in Real-Time Load Obligation in the amount of the sale, in MWs. An Internal Bilateral for Load transaction is only applicable in the Real-Time Energy Market.

**Internal Bilateral for Market for Energy** is an internal bilateral transaction for Energy which applies in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and Real-Time Energy Market or just the Real-Time Energy Market under which the buyer receives a reduction in Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation and the seller receives a corresponding increase in Day-Ahead Adjusted Load Obligation and Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation in the amount of the sale, in MWs.

**Internal Elective Transmission Upgrade (Internal ETU)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.
**Internal Market Monitor** means the department of the ISO responsible for carrying out the market monitoring and mitigation functions specified in Appendix A and elsewhere in Market Rule 1.

**Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee (IPSAC)** is the committee described as such in the Northeast Planning Protocol.

**Interregional Transmission Project** is a transmission project located within the New England Control Area and one or more of the neighboring transmission planning regions.

** Interruption Cost** is the amount, in dollars, that must be paid to a Market Participant each time the Market Participant’s Demand Response Resource is scheduled or dispatched in the New England Markets to reduce demand.

**Investment Grade Rating,** for a Market (other than an FTR-Only Customer) or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer, is either (a) a corporate investment grade rating from one or more of the Rating Agencies, or (b) if the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer does not have a corporate rating from one of the Rating Agencies, then an investment grade rating for the Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s senior unsecured debt from one or more of the Rating Agencies.

**Invoice** is a statement issued by the ISO for the net Charge owed by a Covered Entity pursuant to the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Invoice Date** is the day on which the ISO issues an Invoice.

**ISO** means ISO New England Inc.

**ISO Charges,** for the purposes of the ISO New England Billing Policy, are both Non-Hourly Charges and Hourly Charges.

**ISO Control Center** is the primary control center established by the ISO for the exercise of its Operating Authority and the performance of functions as an RTO.
**ISO-Initiated Claimed Capability Audit** is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.4.


**ISO New England Billing Policy** is Exhibit ID to Section I of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Filed Documents** means the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, including but not limited to Market Rule 1, the Participants Agreement, the Transmission Operating Agreement or other documents that affect the rates, terms and conditions of service.

**ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy** is Exhibit IA to Section I of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Information Policy** is the policy establishing guidelines regarding the information received, created and distributed by Market Participants and the ISO in connection with the settlement, operation and planning of the System, as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions of this Tariff. The ISO New England Information Policy is Attachment D to the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

**ISO New England Manuals** are the manuals implementing Market Rule 1, as amended from time to time in accordance with the Participants Agreement. Any elements of the ISO New England Manuals that substantially affect rates, terms, and/or conditions of service shall be filed with the Commission under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

**ISO New England Operating Documents** are the Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures.

**ISO New England Operating Procedures** are the ISO New England Planning Procedures and the operating guides, manuals, procedures and protocols developed and utilized by the ISO for operating the ISO bulk power system and the New England Markets.
ISO New England Planning Procedures are the procedures developed and utilized by the ISO for planning the ISO bulk power system.


ITC Agreement is defined in Attachment M to the OATT.

ITC Rate Schedule is defined in Section 3.1 of Attachment M to the OATT.

ITC System is defined in Section 2.2 of Attachment M to the OATT.

ITC System Planning Procedures is defined in Section 15.4 of Attachment M to the OATT.

Joint ISO/RTO Planning Committee (JIPC) is the committee described as such in the Northeastern Planning Protocol.

Late Payment Account is a segregated interest-bearing account into which the ISO deposits Late Payment Charges due from ISO Charges and interest owed from participants for late payments that are collected and not distributed to the Covered Entities, until the Late Payment Account Limit is reached, under the ISO New England Billing Policy and penalties collected under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Late Payment Account Limit is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Late Payment Charge is defined in Section 4.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Lead Market Participant, for purposes other than the Forward Capacity Market, is the entity authorized to submit Supply Offers, Demand Bids or Demand Reduction Offers for a Resource and to whom certain Energy TUUs are assessed under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff. For purposes of the Forward Capacity Market, the Lead Market Participant is the entity designated to participate in that market on behalf of an Existing Capacity Resource or a New Capacity Resource.
**Limited Energy Resource** means generating resources that, due to design considerations, environmental restriction on operations, cyclical requirements, such as the need to recharge or refill or manage water flow, or fuel limitations, are unable to operate continuously at full output on a daily basis.

**Load Asset** means a physical load that has been registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.

**Load Management** means installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that curtail electrical usage or shift electrical usage from Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, or Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours to other hours and reduce the amount of capacity needed, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include, but are not limited to, energy management systems, load control end-use cycling, load curtailment strategies, chilled water storage, and other forms of electricity storage.

**Load Response Program** means the program implemented and administered by the ISO to promote demand side response as described in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

**Load Response Program Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned an identification number, that participate in the Load Response Program and which encompass assets registered in the Real-Time Price Response Program or Real-Time Demand Response Assets, and are further described in Appendix E of Market Rule 1.

**Load Shedding** is the systematic reduction of system demand by temporarily decreasing load.

**Load Zone** is a Reliability Region, except as otherwise provided for in Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Local Area Facilities** are defined in the TOA.

**Local Benefit Upgrade(s) (LBU)** is an upgrade, modification or addition to the transmission system that is: (i) rated below 115kV or (ii) rated 115kV or above and does not meet all of the non-voltage criteria for PTF classification specified in the OATT.
Local Control Centers are those control centers in existence as of the effective date of the OATT (including the CONVEX, REMVEC, Maine and New Hampshire control centers) or established by the PTOs in accordance with the TOA that are separate from the ISO Control Center and perform certain functions in accordance with the OATT and the TOA.

Local Delivery Service is the service of delivering electric energy to end users. This service is subject to state jurisdiction regardless of whether such service is provided over local distribution or transmission facilities. An entity that is an Eligible Customer under the OATT is not excused from any requirements of state law, or any order or regulation issued pursuant to state law, to arrange for Local Delivery Service with the Participating Transmission Owner and/or distribution company providing such service and to pay all applicable charges associated with such service, including charges for stranded costs and benefits.

Local Network is defined as the transmission facilities constituting a local network as identified in Attachment E, as such Attachment may be modified from time to time in accordance with the Transmission Operating Agreement.

Local Network Load is the load that a Network Customer designates for Local Network Service under Schedule 21 to the OATT.

Local Network RNS Rate is the rate applicable to Regional Network Service to effect a delivery to load in a particular Local Network, as determined in accordance with Schedule 9 to the OATT.

Local Network Service (LNS) is the network service provided under Schedule 21 and the Local Service Schedules to permit the Transmission Customer to efficiently and economically utilize its resources to serve its load.

Local Point-To-Point Service (LPTP) is Point-to-Point Service provided under Schedule 21 of the OATT and the Local Service Schedules to permit deliveries to or from an interconnection point on the PTF.

Local Public Policy Transmission Upgrade is any addition and/or upgrade to the New England Transmission System with a voltage level below 115kV that is required in connection with the construction of a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade approved for inclusion in the Regional System
Plan pursuant to Attachment K to the ISO OATT or included in a Local System Plan in accordance with Appendix 1 to Attachment K.

**Local Resource Adequacy Requirement** is calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.1.

**Local Second Contingency Protection Resources** are those Resources identified by the ISO on a daily basis as necessary for the provision of Operating Reserve requirements and adherence to NERC, NPCC and ISO reliability criteria over and above those Resources required to meet first contingency reliability criteria within a Reliability Region.

**Local Service** is transmission service provided under Schedule 21 and the Local Service Schedules thereto.

**Local Service Schedule** is a PTO-specific schedule to the OATT setting forth the rates, charges, terms and conditions applicable to Local Service.

**Local Sourcing Requirement (LSR)** is a value calculated as described in Section III.12.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Local System Planning (LSP)** is the process defined in Appendix 1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Localized Costs** are the incremental costs resulting from a RTEP02 Upgrade or a Regional Benefit Upgrade or a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade that exceeds those requirements that the ISO deems reasonable and consistent with Good Utility Practice and the current engineering design and construction practices in the area in which the Transmission Upgrade is built. In making its determination of whether Localized Costs exist, the ISO will consider, in accordance with Schedule 12C of the OATT, the reasonableness of the proposed engineering design and construction method with respect to alternate feasible Transmission Upgrades and the relative costs, operation, timing of implementation, efficiency and reliability of the proposed Transmission Upgrade. The ISO, with advisory input from the Reliability Committee, as appropriate, shall review such Transmission Upgrade, and determine whether there are any Localized Costs resulting from such Transmission Upgrade. If there are any such costs, the ISO shall identify them in the Regional System Plan.
Location is a Node, External Node, Load Zone or Hub. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, the Location also is a Dispatch Zone.

Locational Marginal Price (LMP) is defined in Section III.2 of Market Rule 1. The Locational Marginal Price for a Node is the nodal price at that Node; the Locational Marginal Price for an External Node is the nodal price at that External Node; the Locational Marginal Price for a Load Zone or Reliability Region is the Zonal Price for that Load Zone or Reliability Region, respectively; and the Locational Marginal Price for a Hub is the Hub Price for that Hub. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, the Locational Marginal Price for a Dispatch Zone is the Zonal Price for that Dispatch Zone.

Long Lead Time Facility (Long Lead Facility) has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22 and Schedule 25 of the OATT.

Long-Term is a term of one year or more.

Long-Term Transmission Outage is a long-term transmission outage scheduled in accordance with ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 3.

Loss Component is the component of the nodal LMP at a given Node or External Node on the PTF that reflects the cost of losses at that Node or External Node relative to the reference point. The Loss Component of the nodal LMP at a given Node on the non-PTF system reflects the relative cost of losses at that Node adjusted as required to account for losses on the non-PTF system already accounted for through tariffs associated with the non-PTF. When used in connection with Hub Price or Zonal Price, the term Loss Component refers to the Loss Components of the nodal LMPs that comprise the Hub Price or Zonal Price, which Loss Components are averaged or weighted in the same way that nodal LMPs are averaged to determine Hub Price or weighted to determine Zonal Price.

Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE) is the probability of disconnecting non-interruptible customers due to a resource deficiency.

Lost Opportunity Cost (LOC) is one of four forms of compensation that may be paid to resources providing VAR Service under Schedule 2 of the OATT.
LSE means load serving entity.

**Lump Sum Blackstart Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Lump Sum Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Lump Sum Blackstart CIP Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.4 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Manual Response Rate** is the rate, in MW/Minute, at which the output of a Generator Asset is capable of changing.

**Marginal Loss Revenue Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(v) of Market Rule 1.

**Marginal Reliability Impact** is the change, with respect to an increment of capacity supply, in expected unserved energy due to resource deficiency, as measured in hours per year.

**Market Credit Limit** is a credit limit for a Market Participant’s Financial Assurance Obligations (except FTR Financial Assurance Requirements) established for each Market Participant in accordance with Section II.C of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Market Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(a) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade** is defined as those additions and upgrades that are not related to the interconnection of a generator, and, in the ISO’s determination, are designed to reduce bulk power system costs to load system-wide, where the net present value of the reduction in bulk power system costs to load system-wide exceeds the net present value of the cost of the transmission addition or upgrade. For purposes of this definition, the term “bulk power system costs to load system-wide” includes, but is not limited to, the costs of energy, capacity, reserves, losses and impacts on bilateral prices for electricity.
**Market Participant** is a participant in the New England Markets (including a FTR-Only Customer) that has executed a Market Participant Service Agreement, or on whose behalf an unexecuted Market Participant Service Agreement has been filed with the Commission.


**Market Participant Obligations** is defined in Section III.B.1.1 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Market Participant Service Agreement (MPSA)** is an agreement between the ISO and a Market Participant, in the form specified in Attachment A or Attachment A-1 to the Tariff, as applicable.

**Market Rule 1** is ISO Market Rule 1 and appendices set forth in Section III of this ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, as it may be amended from time to time.

**Market Violation** is a tariff violation, violation of a Commission-approved order, rule or regulation, market manipulation, or inappropriate dispatch that creates substantial concerns regarding unnecessary market inefficiencies.

**Material Adverse Change** is any change in financial status including, but not limited to a downgrade to below an Investment Grade Rating by any Rating Agency, being placed on credit watch with negative implication by any Rating Agency if the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer does not have an Investment Grade Rating, a bankruptcy filing or other insolvency, a report of a significant quarterly loss or decline of earnings, the resignation of key officer(s), the sanctioning of the Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer or any of its Principles imposed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Securities Exchange Commission, any exchange monitored by the National Futures Association, or any state entity responsible for regulating activity in energy markets; the filing of a material lawsuit that could materially adversely impact current or future financial results; a significant change in the Market Participant’s or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer’s credit default spreads; or a significant change in market capitalization.

**Material Adverse Impact** is defined, for purposes of review of ITC-proposed plans, as a proposed facility or project will be deemed to cause a “material adverse impact” on facilities outside of the ITC System if: (i) the proposed facility or project causes non-ITC facilities to exceed their capabilities or
exceed their thermal, voltage or stability limits, consistent with all applicable reliability criteria, or (ii) the proposed facility or project would not satisfy the standards set forth in Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. This standard is intended to assure the continued service of all non-ITC firm load customers and the ability of the non-ITC systems to meet outstanding transmission service obligations.

**Maximum Capacity Limit** is a value calculated as described in Section III.12.2.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Maximum Consumption Limit** is the maximum amount, in MW, available from the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand for economic dispatch and is based on the physical characteristics as submitted as part of a Resource’s Offer Data.

**Maximum Daily Consumption Limit** is the maximum amount of megawatt-hours that a DARD Pump is expected to be able to consume in the next Operating Day.

**Maximum Facility Load** is the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand or, if unavailable, an estimate of the annual non-coincident peak demand of a Real-Time Demand Response Asset or a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset, where the demand evaluated is established by adding actual metered demand and the output of all generators located behind the asset’s end-use customer meter in the same time intervals.

**Maximum Generation** is the maximum generation output of a Real-Time Demand Response Asset comprised of Distributed Generation or the maximum generation output of a Demand Response Asset comprised of Distributed Generation.

**Maximum Interruptible Capacity** is an estimate of the maximum hourly demand reduction amount that a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or a Demand Response Asset can deliver. For assets that deliver demand reduction, the Maximum Interruptible Capacity is the asset’s peak load less its uninterruptible load. For assets that deliver reductions through the use of generation, the Maximum Interruptible Capacity is the difference between the generator’s maximum possible output and its expected output when not providing demand reduction. For assets that deliver demand reduction and Net Supply, the MaximumInterruptible Capacity is the asset’s peak load plus Maximum Net Supply as measured at the Retail Delivery Point.
**Maximum Load** is the most recent annual non-coincident peak demand or, if unavailable, an estimate of the annual non-coincident peak demand, of a Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Demand Response Asset or Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset.

**Maximum Net Supply** is an estimate of the maximum hourly Net Supply for a Demand Response Asset as measured from the Demand Response Asset’s Retail Delivery Point.

**Maximum Number of Daily Starts** is the maximum number of times that a DARD Pump or a generating Resource can be started in the next Operating Day under normal operating conditions.

**Maximum Reduction** is the maximum available demand reduction, in MW, of a Demand Response Resource that a Market Participant offers to deliver in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the Demand Response Resource’s Demand Reduction Offer.

**Measure Life** is the estimated time a Demand Resource measure will remain in place, or the estimated time period over which the facility, structure, equipment or system in which a measure is installed continues to exist, whichever is shorter. Suppliers of Demand Resources comprised of an aggregation of measures with varied Measures Lives shall determine and document the Measure Life either: (i) for each type of measure with a different Measure Life and adjust the aggregate performance based on the individual measure life calculation in the portfolio; or (ii) as the average Measure Life for the aggregated measures as long as the Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource is greater than or equal to the amount that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction or reconfiguration auction for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, and the Demand Reduction Value for an Existing Demand Resource is not overstated in a subsequent Capacity Commitment Period. Measure Life shall be determined consistent with the Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Measurement and Verification Documents** mean the measurement and verification documents described in Section 13.1.4.3.1 of Market Rule 1, which includes Measurement and Verification Plans, Updated Measurement and Verification Plans, Measurement and Verification Summary Reports, and Measurement and Verification Reference Reports.
**Measurement and Verification Plan** means the measurement and verification plan submitted by a Demand Resource supplier as part of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to the requirements of Section III.13.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**Measurement and Verification Reference Reports** are optional reports submitted by Demand Resource suppliers during the Capacity Commitment Period subject to the schedule in the Measurement and Verification Plan and consistent with the schedule and reporting standards set forth in the ISO New England Manuals. Measurement and Verification Reference Reports update the prospective Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project based on measurement and verification studies performed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

**Measurement and Verification Summary Report** is the monthly report submitted by a Demand Resource supplier with the monthly settlement report for the Forward Capacity Market, which documents the total Demand Reduction Values for all Demand Resources in operation as of the end of the previous month.

**MEPCO Grandfathered Transmission Service Agreement (MGTSA)** is a MEPCO long-term firm point-to-point transmission service agreement with a POR or POD at the New Brunswick border and a start date prior to June 1, 2007 where the holder has elected, by written notice delivered to MEPCO within five (5) days following the filing of the settlement agreement in Docket Nos. ER07-1289 and EL08-56 or by September 1, 2008 (whichever is later), MGTSA treatment as further described in Section II.45.1.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities (MTF)** are the transmission facilities owned by MTOs, defined and classified as MTF pursuant to Schedule 18 of the OATT, over which the ISO shall exercise Operating Authority in accordance with the terms set forth in a MTOA or Attachment K to the OATT, rated 69 kV or above and required to allow energy from significant power sources to move freely on the New England Transmission System.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities Provider (MTF Provider)** is an entity as defined in Schedule 18 of the OATT.

**Merchant Transmission Facilities Service (MTF Service)** is transmission service over MTF as provided for in Schedule 18 of the OATT.
Merchant Transmission Operating Agreement (MTOA) is an agreement between the ISO and an MTO with respect to its MTF.

Merchant Transmission Owner (MTO) is an owner of MTF.

Meter Data Error means an error in meter data, including an error in Coincident Peak Contribution values, on an Invoice issued by the ISO after the completion of the data reconciliation process as described in the ISO New England Manuals and in Section III.3.8 of Market Rule 1.

Meter Data Error RBA Submission Limit means the date thirty 30 calendar days after the issuance of the Invoice containing the results of the data reconciliation process as described in the ISO New England Manuals and in Section III.3.6 of Market Rule 1.

Metered Quantity For Settlement is defined in Section III.3.2.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

Minimum Consumption Limit is the minimum amount, in MW, available from a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that is not available for economic dispatch and is based on the physical characteristics as submitted as part of a Resource’s Offer Data.

Minimum Down Time is the number of hours that must elapse after a Generator Asset or DARD Pump has been released for shutdown at or below its Economic Minimum Limit or Minimum Consumption Limit before the Generator Asset or DARD Pump can be brought online and be released for dispatch at its Economic Minimum Limit or Minimum Consumption Limit.

Minimum Generation Emergency means an Emergency declared by the ISO in which the ISO anticipates requesting one or more generating Resources to operate at or below Economic Minimum Limit, in order to manage, alleviate, or end the Emergency.

Minimum Generation Emergency Credits are those Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credits calculated pursuant to Appendix F of Market Rule 1 for resources within a reliability region that are dispatched during a period for which a Minimum Generation Emergency has been declared.
**Minimum Reduction** is the minimum available demand reduction, in MW, of a Demand Response Resource that a Market Participant offers to deliver in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reflected in the Demand Response Resource’s Demand Reduction Offer.

**Minimum Reduction Time** is the minimum number of hours of demand reduction at or above the Minimum Reduction for which the ISO must dispatch a Demand Response Resource to reduce demand.

**Minimum Run Time** is the number of hours that a Generator Asset must remain online after it has been scheduled to reach its Economic Minimum Limit before it can be released for shutdown from its Economic Minimum Limit or the number of hours that must elapse after a DARD Pump has been scheduled to consume at its Minimum Consumption Limit before it can be released for shutdown.

**Minimum Time Between Reductions** is the minimum number of hours that a Market Participant requires between the time the Demand Response Resource receives a Dispatch Instruction from the ISO to not reduce demand and the time the Demand Response Resource receives a Dispatch Instruction from the ISO to reduce demand.

**Monthly Blackstart Service Charge** is the charge made to Transmission Customers pursuant to Section 6 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Monthly Capacity Variance** means a Demand Resource’s actual monthly Capacity Value established pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.5.1 of Market Rule 1, minus the Demand Resource’s final Capacity Supply Obligation for the month.

**Monthly Peak** is defined in Section II.21.2 of the OATT.

**Monthly PER** is calculated in accordance with Section III.13.7.7.1.1.2(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Monthly Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation** is the absolute value of a Customer’s hourly Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation summed for all hours in a month, in MWhs.

**Monthly Real-Time Generation Obligation** is the sum, for all hours in a month, at all Locations, of a Customer’s Real-Time Generation Obligation, in MWhs.
Monthly Real-Time Load Obligation is the absolute value of a Customer’s hourly Real-Time Load Obligation summed for all hours in a month, in MWhs.

Monthly Regional Network Load is defined in Section II.21.2 of the OATT.

Monthly Statement is the first weekly Statement issued on a Monday after the tenth of a calendar month that includes both the Hourly Charges for the relevant billing period and Non-Hourly Charges for the immediately preceding calendar month.

MRI Transition Period is the period specified in Section III.13.2.2.1.

MUI is the market user interface.

Municipal Market Participant is defined in Section II of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

MW is megawatt.

MWH is megawatt-hour.

Native Load Customers are the wholesale and retail power customers of a Transmission Owner on whose behalf the Transmission Owner, by statute, franchise, regulatory requirement, or contract, has undertaken an obligation to construct and operate its system to meet the reliable electric needs of such customers.

NCPC Charge means the charges to Market Participants calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

NCPC Credit means the credits to Market Participants calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

Needs Assessment is defined in Section 4.1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

NEMA, for purposes of Section III of the Tariff, is the Northeast Massachusetts Reliability Region.
NEMA Contract is a contract described in Appendix C of Market Rule 1 and listed in Exhibit 1 of Appendix C of Market Rule 1.

NEMA Load Serving Entity (NEMA LSE) is a Transmission Customer or Congestion Paying LSE Entity that serves load within NEMA.

NEMA or Northeast Massachusetts Upgrade, for purposes of Section II of the Tariff, is an addition to or modification of the PTF into or within the Northeast Massachusetts Reliability Region that was not, as of December 31, 1999, the subject of a System Impact Study or application filed pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff; that is not related to generation interconnections; and that will be completed and placed in service by June 30, 2004. Such upgrades include, but are not limited to, new transmission facilities and related equipment and/or modifications to existing transmission facilities and related equipment. The list of NEMA Upgrades is contained in Schedule 12A of the OATT.


NEPOOL Agreement is the agreement among the participants in NEPOOL.

NEPOOL GIS is the generation information system.

NEPOOL GIS Administrator is the entity or entities that develop, administer, operate and maintain the NEPOOL GIS.

NEPOOL GIS API Fees are the one-time on-boarding fees and annual maintenance fees charged to NEPOOL by the NEPOOL GIS Administrator for each NEPOOL Participant or Market Participant that accesses the NEPOOL GIS through an application programming interface pursuant to Rule 3.9(b) of the operating rules of the NEPOOL GIS.

NEPOOL Participant is a party to the NEPOOL Agreement.

NERC is the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.
**NESCOE** is the New England States Committee on Electricity, recognized by the Commission as the regional state committee for the New England Control Area.

**Net Commitment Period Compensation (NCPC)** is the compensation methodology for Resources that is described in Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Net CONE** is an estimate of the Cost of New Entry, net of the first-year non-capacity market revenues, for a reference technology resource type and is intended to equal the amount of capacity revenue the reference technology resource would require, in its first year of operation, to be economically viable given reasonable expectations of the first year energy and ancillary services revenues, and projected revenue for subsequent years.

**Net Regional Clearing Price** is described in Section III.13.7.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Net Supply** is energy injected at the Retail Delivery Point by a Demand Response Asset with Distributed Generation.

**Net Supply Limit** is the estimated portion of the offered Maximum Reduction of a Demand Response Resource that would be provided through Net Supply. The Net Supply Limit is calculated by multiplying the offered Maximum Reduction of the Demand Response Resource by the ratio of total Net Supply to total demand reduction performance from the prior like Seasonal DR Audit of the Demand Response Assets that are mapped to the Demand Response Resource for the month.

**Network Capability Interconnection Standard** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Network Customer** is a Transmission Customer receiving RNS or LNS.

**Network Import Capability (NI Capability)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Network Import Interconnection Service (NI Interconnection Service)** is defined in Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.
**Network Resource** is defined as follows: (1) With respect to Market Participants, (a) any generating resource located in the New England Control Area which has been placed in service prior to the Compliance Effective Date (including a unit that has lost its capacity value when its capacity value is restored and a deactivated unit which may be reactivated without satisfying the requirements of Section II.46 of the OATT in accordance with the provisions thereof) until retired; (b) any generating resource located in the New England Control Area which is placed in service after the Compliance Effective Date until retired, provided that (i) the Generator Owner has complied with the requirements of Sections II.46 and II.47 and Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT, and (ii) the output of the unit shall be limited in accordance with Sections II.46 and II.47 and Schedules 22 and 23, if required; and (c) any generating resource or combination of resources (including bilateral purchases) located outside the New England Control Area for so long as any Market Participant has an Ownership Share in the resource or resources which is being delivered to it in the New England Control Area to serve Regional Network Load located in the New England Control Area or other designated Regional Network Loads contemplated by Section II.18.3 of the OATT taking Regional Network Service. (2) With respect to Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers, any generating resource owned, purchased or leased by the Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer which it designates to serve Regional Network Load.

**New Brunswick Security Energy** is defined in Section III.3.2.6A of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Offer** is an offer in the Forward Capacity Auction to provide capacity from a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource.

**New Capacity Qualification Deadline** is a deadline, specified in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1, for submission of certain qualification materials for the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Qualification Package** is information submitted by certain new resources prior to participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Resource** is a resource (i) that never previously received any payment as a capacity resource including any capacity payment pursuant to the market rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010 and that has not cleared in any previous Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) that is otherwise eligible to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Capacity Resource.
**New Capacity Show of Interest Form** is described in Section III.13.1.2.1 of Market Rule 1.

**New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window** is the period of time during which a Project Sponsor may submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or a New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form, as described in Section III.13.1.10 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.4.1.2 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Resource Qualification Package** is the information that a Project Sponsor must submit, in accordance with Section III 13.1.4.2.3 of Market Rule 1, for each resource that it seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource.

**New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form** is described in Section III.13.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**New Demand Response Asset** is a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or Demand Response Asset that is registered with the ISO, has been mapped to a resource, is ready to respond, and has been included in the dispatch model of the remote terminal unit but does not have a winter audit value and a summer audit value.

**New Demand Response Asset Audit** is an audit of a New Demand Response Asset performed pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.8.

**New England Control Area** is the Control Area for New England, which includes PTF, Non-PTF, MTF and OTF. The New England Control Area covers Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, and part of Maine (i.e., excluding the portions of Northern Maine and the northern portion of Eastern Maine which are in the Maritimes Control Area).

**New England Markets** are markets or programs for the purchase of energy, capacity, ancillary services, demand response services or other related products or services (including Financial Transmission Rights) that are delivered through or useful to the operation of the New England Transmission System and that are administered by the ISO pursuant to rules, rates, or agreements on file from time to time with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
New England System Restoration Plan is the plan that is developed by ISO, in accordance with NERC Reliability Standards, NPCC regional criteria and standards, ISO New England Operating Documents and ISO operating agreements, to facilitate the restoration of the New England Transmission System following a partial or complete shutdown of the New England Transmission System.

New England Transmission System is the system of transmission facilities, including PTF, Non-PTF, OTF and MTF, within the New England Control Area under the ISO’s operational jurisdiction.

New Generating Capacity Resource is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in Section III.13.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

New Import Capacity Resource is a type of resource participating in the Forward Capacity Market, as defined in Section III.13.1.3.4 of Market Rule 1.

New Resource Offer Floor Price is defined in Section III.A.21.2.

NMPTC means Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer.

NMPTC Credit Threshold is described in Section V.A.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.


Nodal Amount is node(s)-specific on-peak and off-peak proxy value to which an FTR bid or awarded FTR bid relates.

Node is a point on the New England Transmission System at which LMPs are calculated.

No-Load Fee is the amount, in dollars per hour, for a generating unit that must be paid to Market Participants with an Ownership Share in the unit for being scheduled in the New England Markets, in
addition to the Start-Up Fee and price offered to supply energy, for each hour that the generating unit is scheduled in the New England Markets.

**Nominated Consumption Limit** is the consumption level specified by the Market Participant for a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand as adjusted in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.7.3.1.3.

**Non-Commercial Capacity** is the capacity of a New Capacity Resource or an increment of an Existing Capacity Resource that is treated as a New Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction and that has not been declared commercial and has not had its capacity rating verified by the ISO.

**Non-Commercial Capacity Cure Period** is the time period described in Section VII.D of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Non-Commercial Capacity Financial Assurance Amount (Non-Commercial Capacity FA Amount)** is the financial assurance amount held on Non-Commercial Capacity cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction as calculated in accordance with Section VII.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Non-Designated Blackstart Resource Study Cost Payments** are the study costs reimbursed under Section 5.3 of Schedule 16 of the OATT.

**Non-Dispatchable Resource** is any Resource that does not meet the requirements to be a Dispatchable Resource.

**Non-Hourly Charges** are defined in Section 1.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Non-Hourly Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(ii) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, which is Exhibit 1A of Section I of the Tariff.

**Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer** is a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor that: (i) is not currently a PTO; (ii) has a transmission project listed in the RSP Project List; and (iii) has executed a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement. “Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer” also includes a PTO that proposes the development of a transmission facility not located
within or connected to its existing electric system; however, because such a PTO is a party to the TOA, it
is not required to enter into a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement.

**Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement (or NTDOA)** is an agreement
between the ISO and a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer in the form specified in Attachment O to
the OATT that sets forth their respective rights and responsibilities to each other with regard to proposals
for and construction of certain transmission facilities.

**Non-Intermittent Settlement Only Resource** is a Settlement Only Resource that is not an Intermittent
Power Resource.

**Non-Market Participant** is any entity that is not a Market Participant.

**Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer** is any entity which is not a Market Participant but is
a Transmission Customer.

**Non-Municipal Market Participant** is defined in Section II of the ISO New England Financial
Assurance Policy.

**Non-PTF Transmission Facilities (Non-PTF)** are the transmission facilities owned by the PTOs that do
not constitute PTF, OTF or MTF.

**Non-Qualifying** means a Market Participant that is not a Credit Qualifying Market Participant.

**Notice of RBA** is defined in Section 6.3.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Notification Time** is the time required for a Generator Asset to synchronize to the system from the time a
startup Dispatch Instruction is received from the ISO.

**Northeastern Planning Protocol** is the Amended and Restated Northeastern ISO/RTO Planning
Coordination Protocol on file with the Commission and posted on the ISO website at the following URL:

**NPCC** is the Northeast Power Coordinating Council.
**Obligation Month** means a time period of one calendar month for which capacity payments are issued and the costs associated with capacity payments are allocated.

**Offer Data** means the scheduling, operations planning, dispatch, new Resource, and other data, including generating unit and Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, and for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Response Resource operating limits based on physical characteristics, and information necessary to schedule and dispatch generating and Dispatchable Asset Related Demand Resources, and for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Demand Response Resources for the provision of energy and other services and the maintenance of the reliability and security of the transmission system in the New England Control Area, and specified for submission to the New England Markets for such purposes by the ISO.

**Offered CLAIM10** is, for a generating Resource, a Supply Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM10 of the Resource that represents the amount of TMNSR available from the Resource from an off-line state, and, for a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand or Demand Response Resource that has not been dispatched, is a Demand Bid or Demand Reduction Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM10 of the Resource that represents the amount of TMNSR or TMSR available from the Resource.

**Offered CLAIM30** is a Supply Offer, Demand Bid or Demand Reduction Offer value between 0 and the CLAIM30 of a Resource that represents the amount of TMOR available from an off-line generating Resource, or Dispatchable Asset Related Demand or Demand Response Resource that has not been dispatched.

**Offered Full Reduction Time** is the value calculated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.6.

**On-Peak Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource and means installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy consumed during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and Distributed Generation.
Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS) is the ISO information system and standards of conduct responding to requirements of 18 C.F.R. §37 of the Commission’s regulations and all additional requirements implemented by subsequent Commission orders dealing with OASIS.

Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) is Section II of the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

Operating Authority is defined pursuant to a MTOA, an OTOA, the TOA or the OATT, as applicable.

Operating Data means GADS Data, data equivalent to GADS Data, CARL Data, metered load data, or actual system failure occurrences data, all as described in the ISO New England Operating Procedures.

Operating Day means the calendar day period beginning at midnight for which transactions on the New England Markets are scheduled.

Operating Reserve means Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve (TMSR), Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR) and Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR).

Operations Date is February 1, 2005.

OTF Service is transmission service over OTF as provided for in Schedule 20.

Other Transmission Facility (OTF) are the transmission facilities owned by Transmission Owners, defined and classified as OTF pursuant to Schedule 20, over which the ISO shall exercise Operating Authority in accordance with the terms set forth in the OTOA, rated 69 kV or above, and required to allow energy from significant power sources to move freely on the New England Transmission System. OTF classification shall be limited to the Phase I/II HVDC-TF.

Other Transmission Operating Agreements (OTOA) is the agreement(s) between the ISO, an OTO and/or the associated service provider(s) with respect to an OTF, which includes the HVDC Transmission Operating Agreement and the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transmission Service Administration Agreement. With respect to the Phase I/II HVDC-TF, the HVDC Transmission Operating Agreement covers the rights and responsibilities for the operation of the facility and the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transmission Service
Administration Agreement covers the rights and responsibilities for the administration of transmission service.

**Other Transmission Owner (OTO)** is an owner of OTF.

**Ownership Share** is a right or obligation, for purposes of settlement, to a percentage share of all credits or charges associated with a generating unit asset or Load Asset, where such unit or load is interconnected to the New England Transmission System.

**Participant Expenses** are defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Participant Required Balance** is defined in Section 5.3 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Participant Vote** is defined in Section 1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Participants Agreement** is the agreement among the ISO, the New England Power Pool and Individual Participants, as amended from time to time, on file with the Commission.

**Participants Committee** is the principal committee referred to in the Participants Agreement.

**Participating Transmission Owner (PTO)** is a transmission owner that is a party to the TOA.

**Payment** is a sum of money due to a Covered Entity from the ISO.

**Payment Default Shortfall Fund** is defined in Section 5.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Peak Energy Rent (PER)** is described in Section III.13.7.2.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**PER Proxy Unit** is described in Section III.13.7.2.7.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Percent of Total Demand Reduction Value Complete** means the delivery schedule as a percentage of a Demand Resource’s total Demand Reduction Value that will be or has been achieved as of specific target dates, as described in Section III.13 of Market Rule 1.
**Permanent De-list Bid** is a bid that may be submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction to permanently remove itself from the capacity market, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Phase I Transfer Credit** is 40% of the HQICC, or such other fraction of the HQICC as the ISO may establish.

**Phase I/II HVDC-TF** is defined in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability** is the transfer capacity of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF under normal operating conditions, as determined in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The “Phase I Transfer Capability” is the transfer capacity under normal operating conditions, as determined in accordance with Good Utility Practice, of the Phase I terminal facilities as determined initially as of the time immediately prior to Phase II of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF first being placed in service, and as adjusted thereafter only to take into account changes in the transfer capacity which are independent of any effect of Phase II on the operation of Phase I. The “Phase II Transfer Capability” is the difference between the Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability and the Phase I Transfer Capability. Determinations of, and any adjustment in, Phase I/II HVDC-TF Transfer Capability shall be made by the ISO, and the basis for any such adjustment shall be explained in writing and posted on the ISO website.

**Phase One Proposal** is a first round submission, as defined in Section 4.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade, as applicable, by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

**Phase II Transfer Credit** is 60% of the HQICC, or such other fraction of the HQICC as the ISO may establish.

**Phase Two Solution** is a second round submission, as defined in Section 4.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

**Planning Advisory Committee** is the committee described in Attachment K of the OATT.
Planning and Reliability Criteria is defined in Section 3.3 of Attachment K to the OATT.

Planning Authority is an entity defined as such by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

Point(s) of Delivery (POD) is point(s) of interconnection where capacity and/or energy transmitted by a Transmission Customer will be made available to the Receiving Party under the OATT.

Point of Interconnection shall have the same meaning as that used for purposes of Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of the OATT.

Point(s) of Receipt (POR) is point(s) of interconnection where capacity and/or energy transmitted by a Transmission Customer will be made available by the Delivering Party under the OATT.

Point-To-Point Service is the transmission of capacity and/or energy on either a firm or non-firm basis from the Point(s) of Receipt to the Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT pursuant to Local Point-To-Point Service or OTF Service or MTF Service; and the transmission of capacity and/or energy from the Point(s) of Receipt to the Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT pursuant to Through or Out Service.

Pool-Planned Unit is one of the following units: New Haven Harbor Unit 1 (Coke Works), Mystic Unit 7, Canal Unit 2, Potter Unit 2, Wyman Unit 4, Stony Brook Units 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A and 2B, Millstone Unit 3, Seabrook Unit 1 and Waters River Unit 2 (to the extent of 7 megawatts of its Summer capability and 12 megawatts of its Winter capability).

Pool PTF Rate is the transmission rate determined in accordance with Schedule 8 to the OATT.

Pool RNS Rate is the transmission rate determined in accordance with paragraph (2) of Schedule 9 of Section II of the Tariff.

Pool-Scheduled Resources are described in Section III.1.10.2 of Market Rule 1.

Pool Supported PTF is defined as: (i) PTF first placed in service prior to January 1, 2000; (ii) Generator Interconnection Related Upgrades with respect to Category A and B projects (as defined in Schedule 11), but only to the extent not paid for by the interconnecting Generator Owner; and (iii) other PTF upgrades,
but only to the extent the costs therefore are determined to be Pool Supported PTF in accordance with Schedule 12.

**Pool Transmission Facility (PTF)** means the transmission facilities owned by PTOs which meet the criteria specified in Section II.49 of the OATT.

**Poorly Performing Resource** is described in Section III.13.7.1.1.5 of Market Rule 1.

**Posting Entity** is any Market Participant or Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer providing financial security under the provisions of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Posture** means an action of the ISO to deviate from the jointly optimized security constrained economic dispatch for Energy and Operating Reserves solution for a Resource produced by the ISO’s technical software for the purpose of maintaining sufficient Operating Reserve (both online and off-line) or for the provision of voltage or VAR support.

**Posturing Credits** are the Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credits for Generators (Other Than Limited Energy Resources) Postured for Reliability and the Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Limited Energy Resources Postured for Reliability.

**Power Purchaser** is the entity that is purchasing the capacity and/or energy to be transmitted under the OATT.

**Principal** is (i) the sole proprietor of a sole proprietorship; (ii) a general partner of a partnership; (iii) a president, chief executive officer, chief operating officer or chief financial officer (or equivalent position) of an organization; (iv) a manager, managing member or a member vested with the management authority for a limited liability company or limited liability partnership; (v) any person or entity that has the power to exercise a controlling influence over an organization’s activities that are subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, any exchange monitored by the National Futures Association, or any state entity responsible for regulating activity in energy markets; or (vi) any person or entity that: (a) is the direct owner of 10% or more of any class of an organization’s equity securities; or (b) has directly contributed 10% or more of an organization’s capital.
**Profiled Load Assets** include all Load Assets that are not directly metered by OP-18 compliant metering as currently described in Section IV (Metering and Recording for Settlements) of OP18, and some Load Assets that are measured by OP-18 compliant metering (as currently described in Section IV of OP-18) to which the Host Participant Assigned Meter Reader allocates non-PTF losses.

**Project Sponsor** is an entity seeking to have a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource participate in the Forward Capacity Market, as described in Section III.13.

**Proxy De-List Bid** is a type of bid used in the Forward Capacity Market.

**Provisional Member** is defined in Section I.68A of the Restated NEPOOL Agreement.

**PTO Administrative Committee** is the committee referred to in Section 11.04 of the TOA.

**Public Policy Requirement** is a requirement reflected in a statute enacted by, or a regulation promulgated by, the federal government or a state or local (e.g., municipal or county) government.

**Public Policy Transmission Study** is a study conducted by the ISO pursuant to the process set out in Section 4A.3 of Attachment K of the OATT, and consists of two phases: (i) an initial phase to produce a rough estimate of the costs and benefits of concepts that could meet transmission needs driven by public policy requirements; and (ii) a follow-on phase designed to produce more detailed analysis and engineering work on transmission concepts identified in the first phase.

**Public Policy Local Transmission Study** is a study conducted by a PTO pursuant to the process set out in Section 1.6 of Attachment K Appendix 1 of the OATT, and consists of two phases: (i) an initial phase to produce an estimate of the costs and benefits of concepts that could meet transmission needs driven by public policy requirements; and (ii) a follow-on phase designed to produce more detailed analysis and engineering work on transmission concepts identified in the first phase.

**Public Policy Transmission Upgrade** is an addition and/or upgrade to the New England Transmission System that meets the voltage and non-voltage criteria for Public Policy Transmission Upgrade PTF classification specified in the OATT, and has been included in the Regional System Plan and RSP Project
List as a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade pursuant to the procedures described in Section 4A of Attachment K of the OATT.

**Publicly Owned Entity** is defined in Section I of the Restated NEPOOL Agreement.

**Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit** is described in Section III.13.1.9.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Qualified Capacity** is the amount of capacity a resource may provide in the summer or winter in a Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in the Forward Capacity Market qualification processes.

**Qualified Generator Reactive Resource(s)** is any generator source of dynamic reactive power that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Qualified Non-Generator Reactive Resource(s)** is any non-generator source of dynamic reactive power that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Qualified Reactive Resource(s)** is any Qualified Generator Reactive Resource and/or Qualified Non-Generator Reactive Resource that meets the criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor** is defined in Sections 4B.2 and 4B.3 of Attachment K of the OATT.

**Queue Position** has the meaning specified in Section I of Schedule 22, Attachment 1 to Schedule 23, and Section I of Schedule 25 of the OATT.

**Rapid Response Pricing Asset** is a Fast Start Generator, a Flexible DNE Dispatchable Generator, or a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand for which the Market Participant’s Offer Data meets the following criteria: (i) Minimum Run Time does not exceed one hour; and (ii) cold Notification Time plus cold Start-Up Time does not exceed 30 minutes.

**Rapid Response Pricing Opportunity Cost** is the NCPC Credit described in Section III.F.2.3.10.
**Rated** means a Market Participant that receives a credit rating from one or more of the Rating Agencies, or, if such Market Participant is not rated by one of the Rating Agencies, then a Market Participant that has outstanding unsecured debt rated by one or more of the Rating Agencies.

**Rating Agencies** are Standard and Poor’s (S&P), Moody’s, and Fitch.

**RBA Decision** is a written decision provided by the ISO to a Disputing Party and to the Chair of the NEPOOL Budget and Finance Subcommittee accepting or denying a Requested Billing Adjustment within twenty Business Days of the date the ISO distributes a Notice of RBA, unless some later date is agreed upon by the Disputing Party and the ISO.

**Reactive Supply and Voltage Control Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Real-Time** is a period in the current Operating Day for which the ISO dispatches Resources for energy and Regulation, designates Resources for Regulation and Operating Reserve and, if necessary, commits additional Resources.

**Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Adjusted Load Obligation Deviation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Commitment NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Congestion Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(f) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Demand Reduction Obligation** is a Real-Time demand reduction amount determined pursuant to Section III.E1.8 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing prior to June 1, 2018, and Section III.E2.7 for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018.

**Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours** means those hours, or portions thereof, in which ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 4 is implemented and the ISO has begun to allow the depletion of
Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve on a Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide basis, and the ISO notifies the Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Resources of such hours.

**Real-Time Demand Response Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that are located at a single Node, report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned a unique asset identification number by the ISO, and that participate in the Forward Capacity Market as part of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Demand Response Resource.

**Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours** means hours when the ISO dispatches Real-Time Demand Response Resources in response to Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours, which may include Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide dispatch of such resources.

**Real-Time Demand Response Resource** is a type of Demand Resource that is comprised of installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that: (i) curtail electrical usage in response to a Dispatch Instruction; and (ii) continue curtailing electrical usage until receiving Dispatch Instructions to restore electrical usage. Such measures include Load Management and Distributed Generation. The period of curtailment shall be consistent with Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours.

**Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset** means one or more individual end-use metered customers that are located at a single Node, report load reduction and consumption, or generator output as a single set of values, are assigned a unique asset identification number by the ISO, and that participate in the Forward Capacity Market as part of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource.

**Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours** means those hours, or portions thereof, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, non-Demand Response Holidays in which the ISO dispatches Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources on a Dispatch Zone, Load Zone, or system-wide basis when deficient in Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve and when the ISO implements voltage reductions of five percent of normal operating voltage that require more than 10 minutes to implement.
**Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource** is Distributed Generation whose federal, state and/or local air quality permits, rules or regulations limit operation in response to requests from the ISO to the times when the ISO implements voltage reductions of five percent of normal operating voltage that require more than 10 minutes to implement. A Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource must be capable of: (i) curtailing its end-use electric consumption from the New England grid within 30 minutes of receiving a Dispatch Instruction; and (ii) continuing that curtailment until receiving a Dispatch Instruction to restore consumption.

**Real-Time Energy Market** means the purchase or sale of energy, purchase of demand reductions pursuant to Appendix III.E2 of Market Rule 1, payment of Congestion Costs, and payment for losses for quantity deviations from the Day-Ahead Energy Market in the Operating Day and designation of and payment for provision of Operating Reserve in Real-Time.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Congestion Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Energy Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market Deviation Loss Charge/Credit** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(e) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Energy Market NCPC Credits** are the Real-Time Commitment NCPC Credit and the Real-Time Dispatch NCPC Credit.

**Real-Time External Transaction NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Generation Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Generation Obligation Deviation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(ii) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time High Operating Limit** is the maximum output, in MW, of a resource that could be achieved, consistent with Good Utility Practice, in response to an ISO request for Energy under Section III.13.6.4 of
Market Rule 1, for each hour of the Operating Day, as reflected in the resource’s Offer Data. This value is based on real-time operating conditions and the physical operating characteristics and operating permits of the unit.

**Real-Time Load Obligation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Load Obligation Deviation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(b)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange Deviation** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(c)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Loss Revenue** is defined in Section III.3.2.1(i) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Loss Revenue Charges or Credits** are defined in Section III.3.2.1(m) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time NCP Load Obligation** is the maximum hourly value, during a month, of a Market Participant’s Real-Time Load Obligation summed over all Locations, excluding exports, in kilowatts.

**Real-Time Price Response Program** is the program described in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Offer Change** is a modification to a Supply Offer pursuant to Section III.1.10.9(b).

**Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Generators (Other Than Limited Energy Resources) Postured for Reliability** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Posturing NCPC Credit for Limited Energy Resources Postured for Reliability** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Prices** means the Locational Marginal Prices resulting from the ISO’s dispatch of the New England Markets in the Operating Day.
**Real-Time Reserve Charge** is a Market Participant’s share of applicable system and Reserve Zone Real-Time Operating Reserve costs attributable to meeting the Real-Time Operating Reserve requirement as calculated in accordance with Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Clearing Price** is the Real-Time TMSR, TMNSR or TMOR clearing price, as applicable, for the system and each Reserve Zone that is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.7A of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Credit** is a Market Participant’s compensation associated with that Market Participant’s Resources’ Real-Time Reserve Designation as calculated in accordance with Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Designation** is the amount, in MW, of Operating Reserve designated to a Resource in Real-Time by the ISO as adjusted after-the-fact utilizing revenue quality meter data as described under Section III.10 of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Reserve Opportunity Cost** is defined in Section III.2.7A(b) of Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time Synchronous Condensing NCPC Credit** is an NCPC Credit calculated pursuant to Appendix F to Market Rule 1.

**Real-Time System Adjusted Net Interchange** means, for each hour, the sum of Real-Time Locational Adjusted Net Interchange for a Market Participant over all Locations, in kilowatts.

**Receiving Party** is the entity receiving the capacity and/or energy transmitted to Point(s) of Delivery under the OATT.

**Reference Level** is defined in Section III.A.5.7 of Appendix A of Market Rule 1.

**Regional Benefit Upgrade(s) (RBU)** means a Transmission Upgrade that: (i) is rated 115kV or above; (ii) meets all of the non-voltage criteria for PTF classification specified in the OATT; and (iii) is included in the Regional System Plan as either a Reliability Transmission Upgrade or an Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade identified as needed pursuant to Attachment K of the OATT. The category of RBU shall not include any Transmission Upgrade that has been categorized under any of the
other categories specified in Schedule 12 of the OATT (e.g., an Elective Transmission Upgrade shall not also be categorized as an RBU). Any upgrades to transmission facilities rated below 115kV that were PTF prior to January 1, 2004 shall remain classified as PTF and be categorized as an RBU if, and for so long as, such upgrades meet the criteria for PTF specified in the OATT.

**Regional Network Load** is the load that a Network Customer designates for Regional Network Service under Part II.B of the OATT. The Network Customer’s Regional Network Load shall include all load designated by the Network Customer (including losses) and shall not be credited or reduced for any behind-the-meter generation. A Network Customer may elect to designate less than its total load as Regional Network Load but may not designate only part of the load at a discrete Point of Delivery. Where a Transmission Customer has elected not to designate a particular load at discrete Points of Delivery as Regional Network Load, the Transmission Customer is responsible for making separate arrangements under Part II.C of the OATT for any Point-To-Point Service that may be necessary for such non-designated load.

**Regional Network Service (RNS)** is the transmission service over the PTF described in Part II.B of the OATT, including such service which is used with respect to Network Resources or Regional Network Load that is not physically interconnected with the PTF.

**Regional Planning Dispute Resolution Process** is described in Section 12 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Regional System Plan (RSP)** is the plan developed under the process specified in Attachment K of the OATT.

**Regional Transmission Service (RTS)** is Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service as provided over the PTF in accordance with Section II.B, Section II.C, Schedule 8 and Schedule 9 of the OATT.

**Regulation** is the capability of a specific Resource with appropriate telecommunications, control and response capability to respond to an AGC SetPoint.
**Regulation and Frequency Response Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 3 of the OATT. The capability of performing Regulation and Frequency Response Service is referred to as automatic generation control (AGC).

**Regulation Capacity** is the lesser of five times the Automatic Response Rate and one-half of the difference between the Regulation High Limit and the Regulation Low Limit of a Resource capable of providing Regulation.

**Regulation Capacity Requirement** is the amount of Regulation Capacity required to maintain system control and reliability in the New England Control Area as calculated and posted on the ISO website.

**Regulation Capacity Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant to provide Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation High Limit** is an offer parameter that establishes the upper bound for AGC SetPoints and is used in the determination of a Resource’s Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation Low Limit** is an offer parameter that establishes the lower bound for AGC SetPoints and is used in the determination of a Resource’s Regulation Capacity.

**Regulation Market** is the market described in Section III.14 of Market Rule 1.

**Regulation Service** is the change in output or consumption made in response to changing AGC SetPoints.

**Regulation Service Requirement** is the estimated amount of Regulation Service required to maintain system control and reliability in the New England Control Area as calculated and posted on the ISO website.

**Regulation Service Offer** is an offer by a Market Participant to provide Regulation Service.

**Related Person** is defined pursuant to Section 1.1 of the Participants Agreement.

**Related Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.4.3 of Market Rule 1.
Reliability Administration Service (RAS) is the service provided by the ISO, as described in Schedule 3 of Section IV.A of the Tariff, in order to administer the Reliability Markets and provide other reliability-related and informational functions.

Reliability Committee is the committee whose responsibilities are specified in Section 8.2.3 of the Participants Agreement.

Reliability Markets are, collectively, the ISO’s administration of Regulation, the Forward Capacity Market, and Operating Reserve.

Reliability Region means any one of the regions identified on the ISO’s website. Reliability Regions are intended to reflect the operating characteristics of, and the major transmission constraints on, the New England Transmission System.

Reliability Transmission Upgrade means those additions and upgrades not required by the interconnection of a generator that are nonetheless necessary to ensure the continued reliability of the New England Transmission System, taking into account load growth and known resource changes, and include those upgrades necessary to provide acceptable stability response, short circuit capability and system voltage levels, and those facilities required to provide adequate thermal capability and local voltage levels that cannot otherwise be achieved with reasonable assumptions for certain amounts of generation being unavailable (due to maintenance or forced outages) for purposes of long-term planning studies. Good Utility Practice, applicable reliability principles, guidelines, criteria, rules, procedures and standards of ERO and NPCC and any of their successors, applicable publicly available local reliability criteria, and the ISO System Rules, as they may be amended from time to time, will be used to define the system facilities required to maintain reliability in evaluating proposed Reliability Transmission Upgrades. A Reliability Transmission Upgrade may provide market efficiency benefits as well as reliability benefits to the New England Transmission System.

Remittance Advice is an issuance from the ISO for the net Payment owed to a Covered Entity where a Covered Entity’s total Payments exceed its total Charges in a billing period.

Remittance Advice Date is the day on which the ISO issues a Remittance Advice.
**Renewable Technology Resource** is a Generating Capacity Resource or an On-Peak Demand Resource that satisfies the requirements specified in Section III.13.1.1.1.7.

**Re-Offer Period** is the period that normally occurs between the posting of the of the Day-Ahead Energy Market results and 2:00 p.m. on the day before the Operating Day during which a Market Participant may submit revised Supply Offers, revised External Transactions, or revised Demand Bids associated with Dispatchable Asset Related Demands or, for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, revised Demand Reduction Offers associated with Demand Response Resources.

**Replacement Reserve** is described in Part III, Section VII of ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 8.

**Request for Alternative Proposals (RFAP)** is the request described in Attachment K of the OATT.

**Requested Billing Adjustment (RBA)** is defined in Section 6.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Required Balance** is an amount as defined in Section 5.3 of the Billing Policy.

**Reseller** is a MGTSA holder that sells, assigns or transfers its rights under its MGTSA, as described in Section II.45.1(a) of the OATT.

**Reserve Adequacy Analysis** is the analysis performed by the ISO to determine if adequate Resources are committed to meet forecasted load, Operating Reserve, and security constraint requirements for the current and next Operating Day.

**Reserve Constraint Penalty Factors (RCPFs)** are rates, in $/MWh, that are used within the Real-Time dispatch and pricing algorithm to reflect the value of Operating Reserve shortages and are defined in Section III.2.7A(c) of Market Rule 1.

**Reserve Zone** is defined in Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.

**Reserved Capacity** is the maximum amount of capacity and energy that is committed to the Transmission Customer for transmission over the New England Transmission System between the Point(s) of Receipt and the Point(s) of Delivery under Part II.C or Schedule 18, 20 or 21 of the OATT, as
applicable. Reserved Capacity shall be expressed in terms of whole kilowatts on a sixty-minute interval (commencing on the clock hour) basis, or, in the case of Reserved Capacity for Local Point-to-Point Service, in terms of whole megawatts on a sixty-minute interval basis.

**Resource** means a generating unit, a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, an External Resource or an External Transaction or, for Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, a Demand Response Resource. For purposes of providing Regulation, Resource means a generating unit, a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, a Demand Response Regulation Resource or an Alternative Technology Regulation Resource.

**Restated New England Power Pool Agreement (RNA)** is the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement, which restated for a second time by an amendment dated as of August 16, 2004 the New England Power Pool Agreement dated September 1, 1971, as the same may be amended and restated from time to time, governing the relationship among the NEPOOL members.

**Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone** is a single Capacity Zone made up of the adjacent Load Zones that are neither export-constrained nor import-constrained.

**Rest of System** is an area established under Section III.2.7(d) of Market Rule 1.

**Retail Delivery Point** is the point on the transmission or distribution system at which the load of an end-use facility, which is metered and assigned a unique account number by the Host Participant, is measured to determine the amount of energy delivered to the facility from the transmission and distribution system. If an end-use facility is connected to the transmission or distribution system at more than one location, the Retail Delivery Point shall consist of the metered load at each connection point, summed to measure the net energy delivered to the facility in each interval.

**Retirement De-List Bid** is a bid to retire an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource from all New England Markets, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.

**Returning Market Participant** is a Market Participant, other than an FTR-Only Customer or a Governance Only Member, whose previous membership as a Market Participant was involuntarily
terminated due to a Financial Assurance Default or a payment default and, since returning, has been a Market Participant for less than six consecutive months.

**Revenue Requirement** is defined in Section IV.A.2.1 of the Tariff.

**Reviewable Action** is defined in Section III.D.1.1 of Appendix D of Market Rule 1.

**Reviewable Determination** is defined in Section 12.4(a) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**RSP Project List** is defined in Section 1 of Attachment K to the OATT.

**RTEP02 Upgrade(s)** means a Transmission Upgrade that was included in the annual NEPOOL Transmission Plan (also known as the “Regional Transmission Expansion Plan” or “RTEP”) for the year 2002, as approved by ISO New England Inc.’s Board of Directors, or the functional equivalent of such Transmission Upgrade, as determined by ISO New England Inc. The RTEP02 Upgrades are listed in Schedule 12B of the OATT.

**RTO** is a regional transmission organization or comparable independent transmission organization that complies with Order No. 2000 and the Commission’s corresponding regulation.

**Same Reserve Zone Export Transaction** is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(iii) of Market Rule 1.

**Sanctionable Behavior** is defined in Section III.B.3 of Appendix B of Market Rule 1.

**Schedule, Schedules, Schedule 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5** are references to the individual or collective schedules to Section IV.A. of the Tariff.

**Schedule 20A Service Provider (SSP)** is defined in Schedule 20A to Section II of this Tariff.

**Scheduling Service**, for purposes of Section IV.A and Section IV.B of the Tariff, is the service described in Schedule 1 to Section IV.A of the Tariff.

**Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Service**, for purposes of Section II of the Tariff, is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 1 of the OATT.
**Seasonal Claimed Capability** is the summer or winter claimed capability of a generating unit or ISO-approved combination of units, and represent the maximum dependable load carrying ability of such unit or units, excluding capacity required for station use.

**Seasonal Claimed Capability Audit** is the audit performed pursuant to Section III.1.5.1.3.

**Seasonal DR Audit** is a seasonal audit of the demand response capability of a Demand Resource initiated pursuant to Section III.13.6.1.5.4.1.

**Seasonal Peak Demand Resource** is a type of Demand Resource and shall mean installed measures (e.g., products, equipment, systems, services, practices and/or strategies) on end-use customer facilities that reduce the total amount of electrical energy consumed during Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, while delivering a comparable or acceptable level of end-use service. Such measures include Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and Distributed Generation.

**Section III.1.4 Transactions** are defined in Section III.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Section III.1.4 Conforming Transactions** are defined in Section III.1.4.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Security Agreement** is Attachment 1 to the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Self-Schedule** is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling its Resource, in accordance with applicable ISO New England Manuals, to provide service in an hour, whether or not in the absence of that action the Resource would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to provide the service. For a Generator Asset, Self-Schedule is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling a Generator Asset to provide Energy in an hour at its Economic Minimum Limit, whether or not in the absence of that action the Generator Asset would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to provide the Energy. For a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand, Self-Schedule is the action of a Market Participant in committing or scheduling a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand to consume Energy in an hour at its Minimum Consumption Limit, whether or not in the absence of that action the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand would have been scheduled or dispatched by the ISO to consume Energy. Demand Response Resources are not permitted to Self-Schedule.
**Self-Scheduled MW** is an amount, in megawatts, that is Self-Scheduled and is equal to: (i) a Generator Asset’s Economic Minimum Limit; (ii) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand’s Minimum Consumption Limit.

**Self-Supplied FCA Resource** is described in Section III.13.1.6 of Market Rule 1.

**Senior Officer** means an officer of the subject entity with the title of vice president (or similar office) or higher, or another officer designated in writing to the ISO by that office.

**Service Agreement** is a Transmission Service Agreement or an MPSA.

**Service Commencement Date** is the date service is to begin pursuant to the terms of an executed Service Agreement, or the date service begins in accordance with the sections of the OATT addressing the filing of unexecuted Service Agreements.

**Services** means, collectively, the Scheduling Service, EAS and RAS; individually, a Service.

**Settlement Financial Assurance** is an amount of financial assurance required from a Designated FTR Participant awarded a bid in an FTR Auction. This amount is calculated pursuant to Section VI.D of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Settlement Only Resources** are generators of less than 5 MW or otherwise eligible for Settlement Only Resource treatment as described in ISO New England Operating Procedure No. 14 and that have elected Settlement Only Resource treatment as described in the ISO New England Manual for Registration and Performance Auditing.

**Shortage Event** is defined in Section III.13.7.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Shortage Event Availability Score** is the average of the hourly availability scores for each hour or portion of an hour during a Shortage Event, as described in Section III.13.7.1.1.1.A of Market Rule 1.

**Shortfall Funding Arrangement**, as specified in Section 5.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy, is a separate financing arrangement that can be used to make up any non-congestion related differences between amounts received on Invoices and amounts due for ISO Charges in any bill issued.
**Short-Term** is a period of less than one year.

**Significantly Reduced Congestion Costs** are defined in Section III.G.2.2 of Appendix G to Market Rule 1.

**SMD Effective Date** is March 1, 2003.

**Solutions Study** is described in Section 4.2(b) of Attachment K to the OATT.

**Special Constraint Resource (SCR)** is a Resource that provides Special Constraint Resource Service under Schedule 19 of the OATT.

**Special Constraint Resource Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 19 of the OATT.

**Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for capital costs associated with adhering to NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

**Sponsored Policy Resource** is a New Capacity Resource that: receives an out-of-market revenue source supported by a government-regulated rate, charge or other regulated cost recovery mechanism, and; qualifies as a renewable, clean or alternative energy resource under a renewable energy portfolio standard, clean energy standard, alternative energy portfolio standard, renewable energy goal, or clean energy goal enacted (either by statute or regulation) in the New England state from which the resource receives the out-of-market revenue source and that is in effect on January 1, 2018.

**Stage One Proposal** is a first round submission, as defined in Sections 4A.5 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.
Stage Two Solution is a second round submission, as defined in Section 4A.5 of Attachment K of the OATT, of a proposal for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade by a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor.

Standard Blackstart Capital Payment is the annual compensation level, as calculated pursuant to Section 5.1 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, for a Designated Blackstart Resource’s capital Blackstart Equipment costs associated with the provision of Blackstart Service (except for capital costs associated with adhering to NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards as part of Blackstart Service).

Start-of-Round Price is the highest price associated with a round of a Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

Start-Up Fee is the amount, in dollars, that must be paid for a generating unit to Market Participants with an Ownership Share in the unit each time the unit is scheduled in the New England Markets to start-up.

Start-Up Time is the time it takes the Generator Asset, after synchronizing to the system, to reach its Economic Minimum Limit and, for dispatchable Generator Assets, be ready for further dispatch by the ISO.

State Estimator means the computer model of power flows specified in Section III.2.3 of Market Rule 1.

Statements, for the purpose of the ISO New England Billing Policy, refer to both Invoices and Remittance Advices.

Static De-List Bid is a bid that may be submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction to remove itself from the capacity market for a one year period, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

Station is one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources consisting of one or more assets located within a common property boundary.
**Station Going Forward Common Costs** are the net costs associated with a Station that are avoided only by the clearing of the Static De-List Bids, the Permanent De-List Bids or the Retirement De-List Bids of all the Existing Generating Capacity Resources comprising the Station.

**Station-level Blackstart O&M Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Station-level Specified-Term Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Station-level Standard Blackstart Capital Payment** is defined and calculated as specified in Section 5.1.2 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Summer ARA Qualified Capacity** is described in Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Summer Capability Period** means one of two time periods defined by the ISO for the purposes of rating and auditing resources. The time period associated with the Summer Capability Period is the period of June 1 through September 30.

**Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours** are defined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.1(c) of Market Rule 1.

**Supplemental Availability Bilateral** is described in Section III.13.5.3.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Supplemental Capacity Resources** are described in Section III.13.5.3.1 of Market Rule 1.

**Supplemented Capacity Resource** is described in Section III.13.5.3.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Supply Offer** is a proposal to furnish energy at a Node or Regulation from a Resource that meets the applicable requirements set forth in the ISO New England Manuals submitted to the ISO by a Market Participant with authority to submit a Supply Offer for the Resource. The Supply Offer will be submitted pursuant to Market Rule 1 and applicable ISO New England Manuals, and include a price and information with respect to the quantity proposed to be furnished, technical parameters for the Resource, timing and other matters. A Supply Offer is a subset of the information required in a Market Participant’s Offer Data.
**Supply Offer Block-Hours** are Block-Hours assigned to the Lead Market Participant for each Supply Offer. Blocks of the Supply Offer in effect for each hour will be totaled to determine the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours for a given day. In the case that a Resource has a Real-Time unit status of “unavailable” for the entire day, that day will not contribute to the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours. However, if the Resource has at least one hour of the day with a unit status of “available,” the entire day will contribute to the quantity of Supply Offer Block-Hours.

**Synchronous Condenser** is a generator that is synchronized to the grid but supplying no energy for the purpose of providing Operating Reserve or VAR or voltage support.

**System Condition** is a specified condition on the New England Transmission System or on a neighboring system, such as a constrained transmission element or flowgate, that may trigger Curtailment of Long-Term Firm MTF or OTF Service on the MTF or the OTF using the curtailment priority pursuant to Section II.44 of the Tariff or Curtailment of Local Long-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service on the non-PTF using the curtailment priority pursuant to Schedule 21 of the Tariff. Such conditions must be identified in the Transmission Customer’s Service Agreement.

**System Impact Study** is an assessment pursuant to Part II.B, II.C, II.G, Schedule 21, Schedule 22, Schedule 23, or Schedule 25 of the OATT of (i) the adequacy of the PTF or Non-PTF to accommodate a request for the interconnection of a new or materially changed generating unit or a new or materially changed interconnection to another Control Area or new Regional Network Service or new Local Service or an Elective Transmission Upgrade, and (ii) whether any additional costs may be required to be incurred in order to provide the interconnection or transmission service.

**System Operator** shall mean ISO New England Inc. or a successor organization.

**System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve** is the demand curve used in the Forward Capacity Market as specified in Section III.13.2.2.

**TADO** is the total amount due and owing (not including any amounts due under Section 14.1 of the RNA) at such time to the ISO, NEPOOL, the PTOs, the Market Participants and the Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers, by all PTOs, Market Participants and Non-Market Participant Transmission Customers.
**Tangible Net Worth** is the value, determined in accordance with international accounting standards or generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, of all of that entity’s assets less the following: (i) assets the ISO reasonably believes to be restricted or potentially unavailable to settle a claim in the event of a default (e.g., regulatory assets, restricted assets, and Affiliate assets), net of any matching liabilities, to the extent that the result of that netting is a positive value; (ii) derivative assets, net of any matching liabilities, to the extent that the result of that netting is a positive value; (iii) the amount at which the liabilities of the entity would be shown on a balance sheet in accordance with international accounting standards or generally accepted accounting principles in the United States; (iv) preferred stock; (v) non-controlling interest; and (vi) all of that entity’s intangible assets (e.g., patents, trademarks, franchises, intellectual property, goodwill and any other assets not having a physical existence), in each case as shown on the most recent financial statements provided by such entity to the ISO.

**Technical Committee** is defined in Section 8.2 of the Participants Agreement.

**Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve (TMNSR)** is the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that can be converted fully into energy within ten minutes from the request of the ISO (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that can be fully utilized within ten minutes from the request of the ISO to reduce consumption; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within ten minutes from the request of the ISO.

**Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve Service** is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 6 of the OATT.

**Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve (TMSR)** is the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that is electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System that can be converted fully into energy within ten minutes from the request of the ISO; (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand pump that is electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System that can reduce energy consumption to provide reserve capability within ten minutes from the request of the ISO; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within ten minutes from the request of the ISO for which none of the associated Demand Response Assets have a generator whose output can be controlled located behind the Retail Delivery Point other than emergency generators that cannot operate electrically synchronized to the New England Transmission System.
Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 5 of the OATT.

Third-Party Sale is any sale for resale in interstate commerce to a Power Purchaser that is not designated as part of Regional Network Load or Local Network Load under the Regional Network Service or Local Network Service, as applicable.

Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve (TMOR) means the reserve capability of (1) a generating Resource that can be converted fully into energy within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO (2) a Dispatchable Asset Related Demand that can be fully utilized within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO to reduce consumption; or (3) a Demand Response Resource that can provide demand reduction within thirty minutes from the request of the ISO.

Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve Service is the form of Ancillary Service described in Schedule 7 of the OATT.

Through or Out Rate (TOUT Rate) is the rate per hour for Through or Out Service, as defined in Section II.25.2 of the OATT.

Through or Out Service (TOUT Service) means Point-To-Point Service over the PTF provided by the ISO with respect to a transaction that goes through the New England Control Area, as, for example, a single transaction where energy or capacity is transmitted into the New England Control Area from New Brunswick and subsequently out of the New England Control Area to New York, or a single transaction where energy or capacity is transmitted into the New England Control Area from New York through one point on the PTF and subsequently flows over the PTF prior to passing out of the New England Control Area to New York, or with respect to a transaction which originates at a point on the PTF and flows over the PTF prior to passing out of the New England Control Area, as, for example, from Boston to New York.

Tie-Line Asset is a physical transmission tie-line, or an inter-state or intra-state border arrangement created according to the ISO New England Manuals and registered in accordance with the Asset Registration Process.
**Total Available Amount** is the sum of the available amount of the Shortfall Funding Arrangement and the balance in the Payment Default Shortfall Fund.

**Total Blackstart Capital Payment** is the annual compensation calculated under either Section 5.1 or Section 5.2 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, as applicable.

**Total Blackstart O&M Payment** is the annual compensation calculated under either Section 5.1 or 5.2 of Schedule 16 of the OATT, as applicable.

**Total Blackstart Service Payments** is monthly compensation to Blackstart Owners or Market Participants, as applicable, and as calculated pursuant to Section 5.6 of Schedule 16 to the OATT.

**Total Negative Hourly Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the absolute value of the sum of the negative Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviations and negative Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Deviations from all Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources receiving Dispatch Instructions in the same hour in the same Dispatch Zone.

**Total Positive Hourly Demand Response Resource Deviation** means the sum of the positive Hourly Real-Time Demand Response Resource Deviations and positive Hourly Real-Time Emergency Generation Deviations from all Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources receiving Dispatch Instructions in the same hour in the same Dispatch Zone.

**Total System Capacity** is the aggregate capacity supply curve for the New England Control Area as determined in accordance with Section III.13.2.3.3 of Market Rule 1.

**Transaction Unit (TU)** is a type of billing determinant under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff used to assess charges to Customers.

**Transition Period**: The six-year period commencing on March 1, 1997.

**Transmission Charges**, for the purposes of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy and the ISO New England Billing Policy, are all charges and payments under Schedules 1, 8 and 9 of the OATT.
**Transmission Congestion Credit** means the allocated share of total Transmission Congestion Revenue credited to each holder of Financial Transmission Rights, calculated and allocated as specified in Section III.5.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Transmission Congestion Revenue** is defined in Section III.5.2.5(a) of Market Rule 1.

**Transmission Credit Limit** is a credit limit, not to be used to meet FTR Requirements, established for each Market Participant in accordance with Section II.D and each Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer in accordance with Section V.B.2 of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Transmission Credit Test Percentage** is calculated in accordance with Section III.B.1(c) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Transmission Customer** is any Eligible Customer that (i) executes, on its own behalf or through its Designated Agent, an MPSA or TSA, or (ii) requests in writing, on its own behalf or through its Designated Agent, that the ISO, the Transmission Owner, or the Schedule 20A Service Provider, as applicable, file with the Commission, a proposed unexecuted MPSA or TSA containing terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the ISO (in consultation with the applicable PTO, OTO or Schedule 20A Service Provider) in order that the Eligible Customer may receive transmission service under Section II of this Tariff. A Transmission Customer under Section II of this Tariff includes a Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant taking Regional Network Service, Through or Out Service, MTF Service, OTF Service, Ancillary Services, or Local Service.

**Transmission Default Amount** is all or any part of any amount of Transmission Charges due to be paid by any Covered Entity that the ISO, in its reasonable opinion, believes will not or has not been paid when due.

**Transmission Default Period** is defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Transmission Late Payment Account** is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Transmission Late Payment Account Limit** is defined in Section 4.2 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.
Transmission Late Payment Charge is defined in Section 4.1 of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (Tariff) is the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, as amended from time to time.

Transmission Obligations are determined in accordance with Section III.A(vi) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Transmission Operating Agreement (TOA) is the Transmission Operating Agreement between and among the ISO and the PTOs, as amended and restated from time to time.

Transmission Owner means a PTO, MTO or OTO.

Transmission Provider is the ISO for Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service as provided under Section II.B and II.C of the OATT; Cross-Sound Cable, LLC for Merchant Transmission Service as provided under Schedule 18 of the OATT; the Schedule 20A Service Providers for Phase I/II HVDC-TF Service as provided under Schedule 20A of the OATT; and the Participating Transmission Owners for Local Service as provided under Schedule 21 of the OATT.

Transmission Requirements are determined in accordance with Section III.A(iii) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

Transmission Security Analysis Requirement shall be determined pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.2.

Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) is the initial agreement and any amendments or supplements thereto: (A) in the form specified in either Attachment A or B to the OATT, entered into by the Transmission Customer and the ISO for Regional Network Service or Through or Out Service; (B) entered into by the Transmission Customer with the ISO and PTO in the form specified in Attachment A to Schedule 21 of the OATT; (C) entered into by the Transmission Customer with an OTO or Schedule 20A Service Provider in the appropriate form specified under Schedule 20 of the OATT; or (D) entered into by the Transmission Customer with a MTO in the appropriate form specified under Schedule 18 of the OATT. A Transmission Service Agreement shall be required for Local Service, MTF Service and OTF Service, and shall be required for Regional Network Service and Through or Out Service if the Transmission Customer has not executed a MPSA.
Transmission Upgrade(s) means an upgrade, modification or addition to the PTF that becomes subject to the terms and conditions of the OATT governing rates and service on the PTF on or after January 1, 2004. This categorization and cost allocation of Transmission Upgrades shall be as provided for in Schedule 12 of the OATT.

UDS is unit dispatch system software.

Unconstrained Export Transaction is defined in Section III.1.10.7(f)(iv) of Market Rule 1.

Uncovered Default Amount is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Uncovered Transmission Default Amounts are defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unrated means a Market Participant that is not a Rated Market Participant.

Unsecured Covered Entity is, collectively, an Unsecured Municipal Market Participant and an Unsecured Non-Municipal Covered Entity.

Unsecured Municipal Default Amount is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Municipal Market Participant is defined in Section 3.3(h) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Municipal Transmission Default Amount is defined in Section 3.4.f of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

Unsecured Non-Municipal Covered Entity is a Covered Entity that is not a Municipal Market Participant or a Non-Market Participant Transmission Customer and has a Market Credit Limit or Transmission Credit Limit of greater than $0 under the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
**Unsecured Non-Municipal Default Amount** is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Unsecured Non-Municipal Transmission Default Amount** is defined in Section 3.3(i) of the ISO New England Billing Policy.

**Unsecured Transmission Default Amounts** are, collectively, the Unsecured Municipal Transmission Default Amount and the Unsecured Non-Municipal Transmission Default Amount.

**Updated Measurement and Verification Plan** is an optional Measurement and Verification Plan that may be submitted as part of a subsequent qualification process for a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period of the Demand Resource project. The Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may include updated Demand Resource project specifications, measurement and verification protocols, and performance data as described in Section III.13.1.4.3.1.2 of Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

**VAR CC Rate** is the CC rate paid to Qualified Reactive Resources for VAR Service capability under Section IV.A of Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**VAR Payment** is the payment made to Qualified Reactive Resources for VAR Service capability under Section IV.A of Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**VAR Service** is the provision of reactive power voltage support to the New England Transmission System by a Qualified Reactive Resource or by other generators that are dispatched by the ISO to provide dynamic reactive power as described in Schedule 2 of the OATT.

**Virtual Requirements** are determined in accordance with Section III.A(iv) of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

**Volt Ampere Reactive (VAR)** is a measurement of reactive power.

**Volumetric Measure (VM)** is a type of billing determinant under Schedule 2 of Section IV.A of the Tariff used to assess charges to Customers under Section IV.A of the Tariff.
**Winter ARA Qualified Capacity** is described in Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.2 of Market Rule 1.

**Winter Capability Period** means one of two time periods defined by the ISO for the purposes of rating and auditing resources. The time period associated with the Winter Capability Period is the period October 1 through May 31.

**Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours** are defined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.2(c) of Market Rule 1.

**Year** means a period of 365 or 366 days, whichever is appropriate, commencing on, or on the anniversary of March 1, 1997. Year One is the Year commencing on March 1, 1997, and Years Two and higher follow it in sequence.

**Zonal Price** is calculated in accordance with Section III.2.7 of Market Rule 1.
The ISO shall administer a forward market for capacity (“Forward Capacity Market”) in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13. For each one-year period from June 1 through May 31, starting with the period June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2011, for which Capacity Supply Obligations are assumed and payments are made in the Forward Capacity Market (“Capacity Commitment Period”), the ISO shall conduct a Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.2 to procure the amount of capacity needed in the New England Control Area and in each modeled Capacity Zone during the Capacity Commitment Period, as determined in accordance with the provisions of Section III.12. To be eligible to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation for a Capacity Commitment Period through the Forward Capacity Auction, a resource must be accepted in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.1.
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**Forward Capacity Auction Qualification.**

Each resource, or portion thereof, must qualify as a New Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.1), an Existing Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.2), a New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.3), or a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (Section III.13.1.4). Each resource must be at least 100 kW in size to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction, except for resources registered with the ISO prior to the earliest date that any portion of this Section III.13 becomes effective. An offer may be composed of separate resources, pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.1.5. Pursuant to the provisions of this Section III.13.1, the ISO shall determine a summer Qualified Capacity and a winter Qualified Capacity for each resource, and a FCA Qualified Capacity for each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource, New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, and New Demand Resource. A Generating Capacity Resource and a Demand Resource may not both participate in the Forward Capacity Market if located at the same Retail Delivery Point, unless the Generating Capacity Resource is separately metered and its output is added to the metered load as measured at the Retail Delivery Point.

All Project Sponsors must be Market Participants no later than 30 days prior to the deadline for submitting the FCM Deposit.

### III.13.1.1. New Generating Capacity Resources.

To participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, a resource or proposed resource must meet the requirements of this Section III.13.1.1.


A resource or a portion of a resource that is not a New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource (as defined in Section III.13.1.3), or a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (as discussed in Section III.13.1.4) shall be considered a New Generating Capacity Resource for participation in a Forward Capacity Auction if either: (i) the resource has never previously been counted as a capacity resource as described in Section III.13.1.1.1.1; or (ii) the resource, or a portion thereof, meets one of the criteria in Section III.13.1.1.1.2.

### III.13.1.1.1.1. Resources Never Previously Counted as Capacity.

...
(a) A resource, or a portion thereof, will be considered to have never been counted as a capacity resource if it has not cleared in any previous Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) [Reserved.]

(c) Where a New Capacity Generating Resource was accepted for participation in the qualification process for a previous Forward Capacity Auction, but cleared less than its summer Qualified Capacity in that previous Forward Capacity Auction and is having its critical path schedule monitored by the ISO in accordance with Section III.13.3, the portion of the resource that did not clear in the previous Forward Capacity Auction shall be a New Generating Capacity Resource in the subsequent Forward Capacity Auction. Such a New Generating Capacity Resource must satisfy all of the qualification process requirements applicable to a New Generating Capacity Resource as described in Section III.13.1.1.2, except that the Project Sponsor is not required to resubmit documentation demonstrating site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) or to resubmit a critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) or to provide a new Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit (Section III.13.1.1.2.1(e)).

III.13.1.1.1.2. Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.
A resource that has previously been counted as a capacity resource, including a deactivated or retired capacity resource, may elect to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, as described in this Section III.13.1.1.1.2. The incremental expenditure required to reactivate a resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions) may be included in the calculation of the dollar per kilowatt thresholds in this Section III.13.1.1.1.2. A resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.1.2 shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(e). A resource shall be accepted for participation as a new resource if it complies with one of the following three subsections:

(a) Where investment in the resource will result, by the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period, in an increase in output by an amount exceeding the greater of: (i) 20 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) 40 MW above the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction, the whole resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource; or
(b) Where investment in the resource subsequent to January 1, 2007 and prior to the conclusion of the first Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation for which treatment as a new resource may be applied, for the purposes of re-powering will be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the whole resource’s summer Qualified Capacity after re-powering, the owner of the resource may elect that the whole resource participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs; or

(c) Where investment in the resource subsequent to January 1, 2007 and prior to the conclusion of the first Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation for which treatment as a new resource may be applied, for the purpose of compliance with environmental regulations or permits will be equal to or greater than $100 per kilowatt of the whole resource’s summer Qualified Capacity after the investment, the owner of the resource may elect that the whole resource participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource. The $100 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs.

III.13.1.1.1.3. Incremental Capacity of Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

The owner of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource may elect to have the incremental amount of capacity above the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, where investment in the resource:

(a) will result, by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, in an increase in output greater than 2 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction, but less than or equal to the greater of: (i) 20 percent of the summer Qualified Capacity of the resource at the time of the qualification process for the Forward Capacity Auction; or (ii) 40 MW; and

(b) will be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the amount of the increase in summer Qualified Capacity resulting from the investment. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs. These investment costs may include the costs associated with reactivating a resource that was previously deactivated pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff
(or its predecessor provisions) and in which investment in the resource was undertaken prior to reactivation. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section does not cause the resource to exceed the megawatt amount approved in the resource’s Interconnection Agreement, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package but is not required to submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form for the incremental amount by the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.3 causes the resource to exceed the megawatt amount approved in the resource’s Interconnection Agreement or MW amount approved pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.1 and a New Capacity Qualification Package pursuant to Section III.13.1.2 for the incremental amount.

III.13.1.1.3.A. Treatment of New Incremental Capacity and Existing Generating Capacity at the Same Generating Resource.

For incremental summer capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.3 or incremental winter capacity that meets the investment thresholds in Section III.13.1.1.3 as applied to the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity, if the incremental summer or winter capacity does not span the entire Capacity Commitment Period, then the ISO shall match the incremental summer or winter capacity with excess existing winter or summer Qualified Capacity at that same resource, as appropriate, not to exceed the Qualified Capacity of the existing portion of the resource, in order to cover the entire Capacity Commitment Period. This provision shall not apply to Intermittent Power Resources or Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.1.4. De-rated Capacity of Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

For purposes of the Forward Capacity Market, de-rated capacity of a resource shall be measured by the difference between the summer Qualified Capacity prior to the de-rating of the resource and the most recent summer demonstration of Seasonal Claimed Capability of a resource, as of the fifth Business Day of October. The owner of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource that has been de-rated by at least 2 percent of its summer Qualified Capacity (as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource) but by no more than the lesser of 20 percent of its summer Qualified Capacity (as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource) or 40 MW for three or more years at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction may elect to have the incremental amount of capacity above the capacity level established while de-rated treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource if it demonstrates that it will be reestablished prior to the
start of the Capacity Commitment Period and that the investment in the resource for such purposes shall be equal to or greater than $200 per kilowatt of the amount of the increase in summer Qualified Capacity resulting from the investment. The Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.1 and a New Capacity Qualification Package pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2 for the incremental amount of capacity for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction. The $200 threshold (in base year 2008 dollars) shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the most recent Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs. The owner of a resource seeking to have the incremental amount of capacity counted as a New Generating Capacity Resource as provided in this Section, must demonstrate based on historical data that the resource previously operated at a level at least 2 percent above the de-rated amount.

III.13.1.1.1.5. **Treatment of Resources that are Partially New and Partially Existing.**

For purposes of this Section III.13.1, where only a portion of a single resource is treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource, either as a result of partial clearing in a previous Forward Capacity Auction or pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.3 or Section III.13.1.1.4, then except as otherwise indicated in this Section III.13.1, that portion of the resource shall be treated as a New Generating Capacity Resource, and the remainder of the resource shall be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.1.1.6. **Treatment of Deactivated and Retired Units.**

(a) [Reserved.]

(b) A resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, that submits to the ISO a reactivation plan demonstrating that the resource shall return to Commercial Operation shall, subject to ISO review and acceptance of that reactivation plan, be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource unless that resource satisfies the criteria under Section III.13.1.1.2 as a New Generating Capacity Resource. Such reactivation plans must be received by the ISO no later than 15 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. A resource that previously has been deactivated or retired pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, that submits to the ISO a reactivation plan demonstrating that the resource shall return to Commercial Operation and having a material modification as described in Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions), as applicable, shall be subject to Section III.13.1.1.2.3 (Initial Interconnection Analysis).
III.13.1.1.7 Renewable Technology Resources.

To participate in the Forward Capacity Market as a Renewable Technology Resource, a Generating Capacity Resource or an On-Peak Demand Resource (including every asset that is part of the On-Peak Demand Resource) must satisfy the following requirements:

(a) receive an out-of-market revenue source supported by a state- or federally-regulated rate, charge or other regulated cost recovery mechanism;

(b) qualify as a renewable or alternative energy generating resource under any New England state’s mandated (either by statute or regulation) renewable or alternative energy portfolio standards as in effect on January 1, 2014, or, in states without a standard, qualify under that state’s renewable energy goals as a renewable resource (either by statute or regulation) as in effect on January 1, 2014. The resource must qualify as a renewable or alternative energy generating resource in the state in which it is geographically located;

(c) participate in a Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period beginning on or after June 1, 2018 as a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1, and;

(d) has been designated for treatment as a Renewable Technology Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.9.

An Export De-List Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid may not be submitted for Generating Capacity Resources that assumed a Capacity Supply Obligation by participating in a Forward Capacity Auction as a Renewable Technology Resource.


For a resource to qualify as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the resource’s Project Sponsor must make two separate submissions to the ISO: First, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Show of Interest Form during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. Second, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. Each of these submissions is described in more detail in this Section III.13.1.1.2. The Project Sponsor must also submit to the ISO, or in the case of an Import Capacity Resource seeking to qualify
with an Elective Transmission Upgrade be associated with, an Interconnection Request under Schedules 22, 23 or 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff prior to submitting a New Capacity Show of Interest Form during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. Both the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and the New Capacity Qualification Package are required regardless of the status of the project under the interconnection procedures described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. Neither the New Capacity Show of Interest Form nor the New Capacity Qualification Package constitutes an Interconnection Request. A Project Sponsor may withdraw from the qualification process at any time prior to three Business Days before the submission of the FCM Deposit pursuant to Section III.13.1.9.1 by providing written notification of such withdrawal to the ISO. Any withdrawal, whether pursuant to this provision or as determined by the ISO (for example as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.1 or Section III.13.1.9.3), shall be irrevocable. The Project Sponsor of a withdrawn application is subject to reconciliation of its Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit described in Section III.13.1.9.3. None of the provisions of this Section III.13.1, including the initial interconnection analysis and the analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, supersedes, replaces, or satisfies any of the requirements of Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, except as specifically provided thereunder. Determinations by the ISO pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.2, including the initial interconnection analysis and the analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, are for purposes of qualification for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction only, and do not constitute a right or approval to interconnect, and do not guarantee the ability to interconnect.

**III.13.1.1.2.1. New Capacity Show of Interest Form.**

Except as otherwise provided in this Section III.13.1.1.2.1, for each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a New Capacity Show of Interest Form as described in this Section III.13.1.1.2.1 during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. After submission of a New Capacity Show of Interest Form, Material Modification (as defined in Section 4.4 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23, or Section 4.4 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff) may not be made to the information contained therein or the New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall be considered withdrawn. No change that may result in a reduction in capacity may be made to a project described in a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or New Capacity Qualification Package between the date that is 150 days before the start of the Forward Capacity Auction and the deadline for qualification determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8.
(a) A completed New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall include the following information, to the extent the information is not already provided under an active Interconnection Request under Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, and other such information necessary to evaluate a project: the project name; the Project Sponsor’s contact information; the Project Sponsor’s ISO customer status; the project’s expected Commercial Operation date; the project address or location, and if relevant, asset identification number; the status of the project under the interconnection procedures described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff; whether the resource has ever previously had a Capacity Supply Obligation or previously received payment as a capacity resource pursuant to the market rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010; the capacity (in MW) of the New Generating Capacity Resource; the Economic Minimum Limit (in MW) of the New Generating Capacity Resource; a general description of the project’s equipment configuration, including a description of the resource type (such as those listed in the table in Section III.A.21 or some other type); a simple location plan and a one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities, including any known transmission facilities; the location of the proposed interconnection; and other specific project data as set forth in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. A completed New Capacity Show of Interest Form shall also specify the Queue Position associated with the project pursuant to Section 4.1 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 or Section 4.1 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. In the case of a resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource that is supported by an Internal Elective Transmission Upgrade, all Queue Positions associated with the project must be submitted in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form. Submittal of the Interconnection Request may take place prior to the qualification process described here, but no later than the date on which the New Capacity Show of Interest Form is submitted to the ISO; however, the Interconnection Customer Interconnection Request must still be active and consistent with the project described in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form as well as the New Capacity Qualification Package to be submitted as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.

(b) The Project Sponsor must submit with the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, documentation demonstrating that the Project Sponsor has already achieved control of the project site for the duration of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.1.

(c) In the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, the Project Sponsor must indicate if the New Generating Capacity Resource is incremental capacity associated with a resource that previously had a Capacity Supply Obligation or previously received payment as a capacity resource pursuant to the market
rules in effect prior to June 1, 2010 as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.3, or if the New Generating Capacity Resource is incremental capacity associated with a resource previously listed as a capacity resource that has been de-rated for three or more years at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.4.

(d) [Reserved.]

(e) With the New Capacity Show of Interest Form, the Project Sponsor must submit the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, as described in Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.1.2.2. New Capacity Qualification Package.
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Capacity Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline, described in Section III.13.1.10. Except as otherwise provided in this Section III.13.1, the New Capacity Qualification Package shall conform to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.1.2.2. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. No change that may result in a reduction in capacity may be made to a project described in a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or New Capacity Qualification Package between the date that is 150 days before the start of the Forward Capacity Auction and the deadline for qualification determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8.

III.13.1.1.2.2.1. Site Control.
For all Forward Capacity Auctions and reconfiguration auctions, the Project Sponsor must achieve, prior to the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, control of the project site for the duration of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, which shall be as defined in Section 4.1 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 or Section 4.1 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.1.2.2.2. Critical Path Schedule.
In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide a critical path schedule for the project with sufficient detail to allow the ISO to evaluate the feasibility of the project being built and the feasibility that the project will meet the requirement that the project achieve Commercial Operation as qualified no later than the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. The critical path schedule shall include, at a minimum, the dates on which the following milestones have or are expected to occur:
(a) **Major Permits.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must list all major permits required for the project, and for each major permit, the Project Sponsor must list the agency requiring the permit, the date on which application for the permit is expected to be made, and the expected date of approval. Major permits shall include, but are not limited to: (i) all federal and state permits; and (ii) local, regional, and town permits. The permitting and installation process associated with any major ancillary infrastructure (such as new gas pipelines, new water supply systems, or large storage tanks) should be included in this portion of the New Capacity Qualification Package.

(b) **Project Financing Closing.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor shall provide (i) the estimated dollar amount of required project financing; (ii) the expected sources of that financing; and (iii) the expected closing date(s) for the project financing.

(c) **Major Equipment Orders.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide a list of all of the major components necessary for the project, and the date or dates on which all major components necessary for the project have been or are expected to be ordered. Although the specific technology will determine the list of major components to be included, the list shall include, to the extent applicable: (i) electric generators which may include equipment such as fuel cells or solar photovoltaic equipment; (ii) turbines; (iii) step-up transformers; (iv) relay panels (v) distributed control systems; and (vi) any other single piece of equipment or system such as a cooling water system, steam generation, steam handling system, water treatment system, fuel handling system or emissions control system that is not included as a sub-component of other equipment listed in this Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2(d) and that accounts for more than five percent of the total project cost. For an Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, major components shall also include, to the extent applicable, transmission facilities and associated substation equipment.

(d) **Substantial Site Construction.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the approximate date on which the amount of money expended on construction activities occurring on the project site is expected to exceed 20 percent of construction financing costs.

(e) **Major Equipment Delivery.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the dates on which the major equipment described in subsection (d) above has been or is scheduled to be delivered to the project site.
(f) **Major Equipment Testing.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date or dates on which each piece of major equipment described in subsection (d) above is scheduled to undergo testing, including major systems testing, as appropriate for the specific technology to establish its suitability to allow, in conjunction with other major equipment, subsequent Commercial Operation of the project in accordance with the design capacity of the resource and in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The test(s) shall include those conducted at the point at which the operation of the major equipment will be determined to be in compliance with the requirements of the engineering or purchase specifications.

(g) **Commissioning.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date on which the project is expected to have demonstrated the level of performance specified in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and in the New Capacity Qualification Package.

(h) **Commercial Operation.** In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must provide the date by which the project is expected to achieve Commercial Operation. This date must be no later than the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction.

**III.13.1.1.2.2.3. Offer Information.**

(a) All New Generating Capacity Resources that might submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package the lowest price at which the resource requests to offer capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and supporting documentation justifying that price as competitive in light of the resource’s costs (as described in Section III.A.21). This price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that Section.

(b) The Project Sponsor for a New Generating Capacity Resource must indicate in the New Capacity Qualification Package if an offer from the New Generating Capacity Resource may be rationed. A Project Sponsor may specify a single MW quantity at or above the Economic Minimum Limit to which offers may be rationed. Without such indication, offers will only be accepted or rejected in whole. This rationing election shall apply for the entire Forward Capacity Auction.
(c) By submitting a New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor certifies that an offer from the New Generating Capacity Resource will not include any anticipated revenues the resource is expected to receive for its capacity cost as a Qualified Generator Reactive Resource pursuant to Schedule 2 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.1.2.2.4. Capacity Commitment Period Election.
In the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must specify whether, if its New Capacity Offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) shall continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to six additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period increments only. For incremental capacity qualified pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.3.A, this election shall apply to both the incremental amount of capacity and the existing Qualified Capacity matched to the incremental capacity at the same generating resource. If no such election is made in the New Capacity Qualification Package, the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price associated with the New Capacity Offer shall apply only for the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the New Capacity Offer clears. If a New Capacity Offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the capacity associated with the resulting Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price may not be subject to any type of de-list or export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to this Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4.

III.13.1.1.2.2.5. Additional Requirements for Resources Previously Counted As Capacity.
In addition to the information described elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.1.2.2:

(a) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 (re-powering), Section III.13.1.1.1.3 (incremental capacity), or Section III.13.1.1.1.4 (de-rated capacity), the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package documentation of the costs associated with the project in sufficient detail to allow the ISO to determine that the relevant cost threshold (described in Sections III.13.1.1.2(b), III.13.1.1.3(b), and III.13.1.1.1.4) will be met.

(b) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2(c) (environmental compliance), the Project Sponsor
must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package: (i) a detailed description of the specific regulations that it is seeking to comply with and the permits that it must obtain; and (ii) documentation of the costs associated with the project in sufficient detail to allow the ISO to determine that the relevant cost threshold (described in Section III.13.1.1.2(c)) will be met.

(c) For each resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Sections III.13.1.1.2, III.13.1.1.3, or III.13.1.1.4, the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package detailed information showing how and when the resource will shed its Capacity Supply Obligation to accommodate necessary work on the facility, if necessary. The Project Sponsor must also include the shedding of its Capacity Supply Obligation as an additional milestone in the critical path schedule described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.

III.13.1.1.2.6. Additional Requirements for New Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

In addition to the information described elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.1.2.2, for each Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must include in the New Capacity Qualification Package:

(a) a claimed summer Qualified Capacity and a claimed winter Qualified Capacity based on the data described in Section III.13.1.1.2.6(b);

(b) measured and recorded site-specific summer and winter data relevant to the expected performance of the Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource (including wind speed data for wind resources, water flow data for run-of-river hydropower resources, and irradiance data for solar resources) that, with the other information provided in the New Capacity Qualification Package, will enable the ISO to confirm the summer and winter Qualified Capacity that the Project Sponsor claims for the Intermittent Power Resource or the Intermittent Settlement Only Resource.

III.13.1.1.2.3. Initial Interconnection Analysis.

(a) For each New Generating Capacity Resource, the ISO shall perform an initial interconnection analysis, including an analysis of overlapping interconnection impacts, based on the information provided in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and shall determine the amount of capacity that the resource could provide by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period. The initial interconnection
analysis shall be performed consistent with the criteria and conditions described in ISO New England Planning Procedures, and will include, but will not be limited to, a power flow analysis and a short circuit analysis. No initial interconnection analysis is required where the total requested Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Sections III.13.1.1.2, III.13.1.1.3, III.13.1.1.4, or III.13.1.1.6 can be realized without a Material Modification (as defined in Section 4.4 of Schedule 22, Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 and Section 4.4 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff). The ISO will perform the initial interconnection analysis in the form of a group study that will include all the projects that have submitted a New Capacity Show of Interest Form to participate in the same Capacity Commitment Period (as described in Section 4.1 of Schedule 22 and Section 1.5 of Schedule 23 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff). Participation in an initial interconnection analysis is a requirement for obtaining Capacity Network Resource Interconnection Service or Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service in a manner that meets the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard in accordance with the provisions in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

(b) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the interconnection facilities and upgrades identified in the qualification process that are necessary to enable the New Generating Capacity Resource to provide the entire amount of capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form can not be implemented before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Qualified Capacity values may be adjusted accordingly, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.5.

(c) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the interconnection facilities and upgrades identified in the qualification process that are necessary to enable the New Generating Capacity Resource to provide capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form can not be implemented before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period and the New Generating Capacity Resource can not provide any capacity without those facilities and upgrades, the resource shall not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In this case, the ISO will provide an explanation of its determination in the qualification determination notification, discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.8.

(d) If as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that the New Generating Capacity Resource can provide all or some of the capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period, and if the New Generating Capacity Resource is
accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1, then in the qualification determination notification, discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, the ISO, after consultation with the applicable Transmission Owner(s) or Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer as appropriate, shall include a list of the facilities that may be required to complete the interconnection and time required to construct those facilities by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

(e) Where, as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO concludes, after consultation with the Project Sponsor and the applicable Transmission Owner(s) or Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, that the capacity indicated in the New Capacity Show of Interest Form cannot be interconnected by the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period, the Forward Capacity Market qualification process for that resource shall be terminated and the ISO will notify the Project Sponsor of such termination.

(f) Where, as a result of the initial interconnection analysis, the ISO determines that because of overlapping interconnection impacts, New Generating Capacity Resources that are otherwise accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1 cannot provide the full amount of capacity that they each would otherwise be able to provide (in the absence of the other relevant Existing Generating Capacity Resources and New Generating Capacity Resources seeking to qualify for the Forward Capacity Auction), those New Generating Capacity Resources will be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction on the basis of their Queue Position, as described in Schedules 22, 23 and 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, with priority given to resources that entered the queue earlier. Resources with lower priority in the queue may be accepted partially. Starting with the fourth auction, a New Generating Capacity Resource that meets the requirements of this Section III.13.1, but that would not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of overlapping interconnection impacts with another resource having a higher priority in the queue may be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Conditional Qualified New Resource, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(f), provided that the resource having a higher priority in the queue is not a resource offering capacity into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(e).

(g) New Generating Capacity Resources, or portions thereof, shall not be considered to have met their Capacity Supply Obligation for the purposes of this Forward Capacity Market and shall not receive compensation if any upgrades to be completed by the Project Sponsor required to remove overlapping
interconnection impacts as identified in (f) have not been completed, including, any upgrades identified in a restudy pursuant to Section 3.2.1.3 of Schedule 22, Section 1.7.1.3 of Schedule 23, or Section 3.2.1.3 of Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff in time for the Capacity Commitment Period unless the Capacity Supply Obligation is appropriately covered.

III.13.1.1.2.4. **Evaluation of New Capacity Qualification Package.**

The ISO shall review a New Generating Capacity Resource’s New Capacity Qualification Package consistent with the dates set forth in Section III.13.1.10, and shall determine whether the package is complete and whether, based on the information provided, the New Generating Capacity Resource is accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In making these determinations, the ISO may consider, but is not limited to considering, the following:

(a) whether the New Capacity Qualification Package contains all of the elements required by this Section III.13.1.1.2;

(b) whether the critical path schedule includes all necessary elements and is sufficiently developed;

(c) whether the milestones in the critical path schedule are reasonable and likely to be met;

(d) whether, in the case of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource, the requirements for treatment as a New Generating Capacity Resource are satisfied; and

(e) whether, in the case of an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource, sufficient data for confirming the resource’s claimed summer and winter Qualified Capacity is provided, and whether the data provided reasonably supports the claimed summer and winter Qualified Capacity.

III.13.1.1.2.5. **Qualified Capacity for New Generating Capacity Resources.**

III.13.1.1.2.5.1. **New Generating Capacity Resources Other Than Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.**

The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource that has cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction shall be based on the data provided to the ISO during the qualification process, subject to ISO review and verification, and possibly as modified pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3(b). The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be the lesser of the resource’s
summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources.

III.13.1.1.2.5.2. [Reserved]

III.13.1.1.2.5.3. New Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.
The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity claimed by the Project Sponsor pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6, as confirmed by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4(e). The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be equal to the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources.

III.13.1.1.2.5.4. New Generating Capacity Resources Partially Clearing in a Previous Forward Capacity Auction.
Where, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.1.1(c), a New Generating Capacity Resource was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, but cleared less than its summer or winter Qualified Capacity in that previous Forward Capacity Auction and is having its critical path schedule monitored by the ISO as described in Section III.13.3, its summer and winter Qualified Capacity as a New Generating Capacity Resource in the instant Forward Capacity Auction shall be the summer and winter Qualified Capacity from the previous Forward Capacity Auction minus the amount of capacity clearing from the New Generating Capacity Resource in the previous Forward Capacity Auction. The FCA Qualified Capacity for such a resource shall be the lesser of the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as adjusted to account for applicable offers composed of separate resources. The amount of capacity clearing in a Forward Capacity Auction from a New Generating Capacity Resource shall be treated as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.1.2.6. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.1.2.7. Opportunity to Consult with Project Sponsor.
In its review of a New Capacity Show of Interest Form or a New Capacity Qualification Package, the ISO may consult with the Project Sponsor to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or
to address questions or concerns arising from the materials submitted. At the discretion of the ISO, the ISO may consider revisions or additions to the qualification materials resulting from such consultation; provided, however, that in no case shall the ISO consider revisions or additions to the qualification materials if the ISO believes that such consideration cannot be properly accomplished within the time periods established for the qualification process. In addition, the ISO or the Project Sponsor may confer to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or to address questions or concerns prior to the ISO’s final determination and notification of qualification.


No later than 127 days before the Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to Project Sponsors or Market Participants, as applicable, for each New Generating Capacity Resource indicating:

(a) whether the New Generating Capacity Resource has been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the initial interconnection analysis made pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3, and if not accepted, an explanation of the reasons the New Generating Capacity Resource was not accepted in the initial interconnection analysis;

(b) whether the New Generating Capacity Resource has been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the New Capacity Qualification Package evaluation made pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4, and if not accepted, an explanation of the reasons the New Generating Capacity Resource’s New Capacity Qualification Package was not accepted;

(c) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, a list of the facilities that may be required to complete the interconnection for purposes of providing capacity and time required to construct those facilities by the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period, as discussed in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(d);

(d) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the New Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.5;

(e) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, but subject to the provisions of Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f) (where not all New Generating Capacity Resources can be interconnected due to
their combined effects on the New England Transmission System), a description of how the New Generating Capacity Resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction, including, for the fourth and future auctions: (i) whether the resource shall participate as a Conditional Qualified New Resource; (ii) for the notification to a Conditional Qualified New Resource, the Queue Position of the associated resource with higher queue priority; and (iii) for the notification to a resource with higher queue priority than a Conditional Qualified New Resource, the Queue Position of the Conditional Qualified New Resource; and

(f) if accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction and requesting to submit offers at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3, the Internal Market Monitor’s determination regarding whether the requested offer price is consistent with the long run average costs of that New Generating Capacity Resource.

### III.13.1.1.2.9 Renewable Technology Resource Election.

A Project Sponsor or Market Participant may not elect Renewable Technology Resource treatment for the FCA associated with a Capacity Commitment Period beginning on or after June 1, 2025.

A Project Sponsor or Market Participant electing Renewable Technology Resource treatment for the FCA Qualified Capacity of a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource shall submit a Renewable Technology Resource election form no later than two Business Days after the date on which the ISO provides qualification determination notifications pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.8 or Section III.13.1.4.2.5.3. Only the portion of the FCA Qualified Capacity of the resource that meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.7 is eligible for treatment as a Renewable Technology Resource.

Renewable Technology Resource elections may not be modified or withdrawn after the deadline for submission of the Renewable Technology Resource election form.

The submission of a Renewable Technology Resource election that satisfies the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.7 will invalidate a prior multi-year Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price election for the same resource made pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 or Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 for a Forward Capacity Auction.

### III.13.1.1.2.10 Determination of Renewable Technology Resource Qualified Capacity.
(a) If the total FCA Qualified Capacity of Renewable Technology Resources exceeds the cap specified in subsections (b), (c), (d) and (e) the qualified capacity value of each resource shall be prorated by the ratio of the cap divided by the total FCA Qualified Capacity. The ISO shall notify the Project Sponsor or Market Participant, as applicable, of the Qualified Capacity value of its resource no more than five Business Days after the deadline for submitting Renewable Technology Resource elections.

(b) The cap for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2018 is 200 MW.

(c) The cap for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2019 is 400 MW minus the amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2 in the prior Capacity Commitment Period.

(d) The cap for each Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2020 or June 1, 2021 is 600 MW minus the amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2 in the prior two Capacity Commitment Periods.

(e) The cap for each Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2022 or June 1, 2023 or June 1, 2024 is 514 MW minus the cumulative amount of Capacity Supply Obligations acquired by Renewable Technology Resources that are New Capacity Resources in the first or second run of the primary auction-clearing process pursuant to Section III.13.2 for each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2021.

III.13.1.2. Existing Generating Capacity Resources.

An Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as defined in Section III.13.1.2.1, may participate in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to the provisions of this Section III.13.1.2.


Any resource that does not satisfy the criteria for participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.1), as an Existing Import Capacity Resource or New Import Capacity Resource (Section III.13.1.3), or as a New Demand Resource or Existing Demand Resource (Section III.13.1.4) shall be an Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.2.2. Qualified Capacity for Existing Generating Capacity Resources.
III.13.1.2.2.1. Existing Generating Capacity Resources Other Than Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.2.2.1.1. Summer Qualified Capacity.
The summer Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, the summer Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent four years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource has fewer than five summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, or in the case of the first Forward Capacity Auction, fewer than four summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, then the summer Qualified Capacity for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of all of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s previous summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, with only positive summer ratings included in the median calculation. If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource there are no previous positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.1.2. Winter Qualified Capacity.
The winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, the winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent four years, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation. Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource has fewer than five winter Seasonal Claimed Capability
ratings, or in the case of the first Forward Capacity Auction, fewer than four winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, then the winter Qualified Capacity for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be equal to the median of all of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s previous winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings, as of the fifth Business Day in June of each year, with only positive winter ratings included in the median calculation. If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource there are no previous positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.2. Existing Generating Capacity Resources that are Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

The summer and winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource shall be calculated as follows:

III.13.1.2.2.2.1. Summer Qualified Capacity for an Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource.

(a) With regard to any Forward Capacity Auction, for each of the previous five summer periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in the Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource has not been in Commercial Operation for the requisite five full summer periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s net output in each of the previous summer periods, or portion thereof if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource achieved Commercial Operation during a summer period. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource began Commercial Operation after the 2006 summer period and prior to the first Forward Capacity Auction, its summer Qualified Capacity shall be established pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6, as confirmed by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.4(e).

(b) The Intermittent Power Resource’s or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be the average of the median numbers determined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.1(a).

(c) The Summer Intermittent Reliability Hours shall be hours ending 1400 through 1800 each day of the summer period (June through September) and all summer period hours in which the ISO has declared
a system-wide Shortage Event and if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource was in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, all Shortage Events in that Capacity Zone.

(d) If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource there are no previous positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.2. Winter Qualified Capacity for an Intermittent Power Resource and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

(a) With regard to any Forward Capacity Auction, for each of the previous five winter periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in the Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours. If the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource has not been in Commercial Operation for the requisite five full winter periods, the ISO shall determine the median of the Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s net output in each of the previous winter periods, or portion thereof if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource achieved Commercial Operation during a winter period.

(b) The Intermittent Power Resource’s and Intermittent Settlement Only Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be the average of the median numbers determined in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.2(a).

(c) The Winter Intermittent Reliability Hours shall be hours ending 1800 and 1900 each day of the winter period (October through May) and all winter period hours in which the ISO has declared a system-wide Shortage Event and if the Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource was in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, all Shortage Events in that Capacity Zone.

(d) If for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource there are no previous positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings because the Existing Generating Capacity Resource has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be equal to the amount
of capacity clearing from the resource as a New Generating Capacity Resource in previous Forward Capacity Auctions.

III.13.1.2.2.3. Qualified Capacity Adjustment for Partially New and Partially Existing Resources.

(a) Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource is associated with a New Generating Capacity Resource that was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction qualification process and that cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then in each subsequent Forward Capacity Auction until the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation the summer Qualified Capacity of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day of October of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1] plus [the amount of the New Generating Capacity Resource’s capacity clearing in previous Forward Capacity Auctions]. After the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1, except that no data from the time period prior to the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Commercial Operation date shall be used to determine the summer Qualified Capacity associated with the Existing Generating Capacity Resource.

(b) Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource is associated with a New Generating Capacity Resource that was accepted for participation in a previous Forward Capacity Auction qualification process and that cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then in each subsequent Forward Capacity Auction until the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation the winter Qualified Capacity of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive winter Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day of June of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.2] plus [the amount of the New Generating Capacity Resource’s capacity clearing in previous Forward Capacity Auctions]. After the New Generating Capacity Resource achieves Commercial Operation, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s winter Qualified Capacity shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.1.2, except that no data from the time period prior to the New Generating Capacity Resource’s Commercial Operation date shall be used to determine the winter Qualified Capacity associated with the Existing Generating Capacity Resource.
III.13.1.2.2.4. **Adjustment for Significant Decreases in Capacity Prior to the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline.**

Where the most recent summer Seasonal Claimed Capability, as of the fifth Business Day in October, of an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not a Settlement Only Resource, Intermittent Power Resource, or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource is below its summer Qualified Capacity, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1, by:

1. for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning prior to June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of 20 percent of that summer Qualified Capacity or 40 MW;
2. for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of:
   i. the greater of 10 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;
   ii. 10 MW;

then the Lead Market Participant must elect one of the two treatments described in this Section III.13.1.2.2.4 by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. If the Lead Market Participant makes no election, or elects treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4(c) and fails to meet the associated requirements, then the treatment described in Section III.13.1.2.2.4(a) shall apply.

(a) A Lead Market Participant may elect, for the purposes of the Forward Capacity Auction only, to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity set to the most recent summer Seasonal Claimed Capability as of the fifth Business Day in October, provided that the Lead Market Participant has furnished evidence regarding the cause of the de-rating.

(b) [Reserved.]

(c) A Lead Market Participant may elect: (i) to submit a critical path schedule as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.2, modified as appropriate, describing the measures that will be taken and showing that the Existing Generating Capacity Resource will be able to provide an amount of capacity consistent with the summer Qualified Capacity as calculated pursuant to Section by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (ii) to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity remain as calculated pursuant to Section for the Forward Capacity Auction. For an Existing Generating Capacity Resource subject to this election, the critical path schedule monitoring provisions of Section III.13.3 shall apply.

III.13.1.2.2.5. **Adjustment for Certain Significant Increases in Capacity.**
Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is not a Settlement Only Resource, meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.3(a) but not the requirements of Section III.13.1.1.1.3(b), the Lead Market Participant may elect to have the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s summer Qualified Capacity be the sum of [the median of that Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s positive summer Seasonal Claimed Capability ratings from the most recent five years, as of the fifth Business Day in October of each year, calculated in a manner consistent with Section III.13.1.2.2.1.1] plus [the amount of incremental capacity as described in Section III.13.1.1.1.3(a)]; provided, however, that the Lead Market Participant must abide by all other provisions of this Section III.13 applicable to a resource that is a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.3. Such an election must be made in writing and must be received by the ISO no later than the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window. If the incremental amount of capacity seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction meets the requirements of this Section, but the incremental amount of capacity does not span the entire Capacity Commitment Period, then the ISO shall match the incremental amount of capacity with excess Qualified Capacity at that same resource, not to exceed the Qualified Capacity of the existing portion of the resource, in order to cover the entire Capacity Commitment Period. This provision shall not apply to Intermittent Power Resources or Intermittent Settlement Only Resources.

III.13.1.2.2.5.1. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.2.5.2. Requirements for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource Having a Higher Summer Qualified Capacity than Winter Qualified Capacity.

Where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Demand Resource, or Existing Import Capacity Resource (other than an Intermittent Power Resource or an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource) has a summer Qualified Capacity that exceeds its winter Qualified Capacity, both as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.2, then that resource must either: (i) offer its summer Qualified Capacity as part of an offer composed of separate resources, as discussed in Section III.13.1.5; or (ii) have its FCA Qualified Capacity administratively set by the ISO to the lesser of its summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity.

III.13.1.2.3. Qualification Process for Existing Generating Capacity Resources.

For each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, no later than 20 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO will notify the resource’s Lead Market Participant of the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity and the Load Zone in which the
Existing Generating Capacity Resource is located. If the Lead Market Participant believes that an ISO- 
determined summer Qualified Capacity or winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Generating Capacity 
Resource does not accurately reflect the determination described in Section III.13.1.2.2, then the Lead 
Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the Qualified Capacity 
notification. The ISO shall notify the Lead Market Participant of the outcome of any such challenge no 
later than 10 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. If an Existing Generating 
Capacity Resource does not submit a Static De-List Bid, an Export Bid, an Administrative Export De-List 
Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, or a Retirement De-List Bid in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification 
process, then the resource shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section 
III.13.2.3.2(c).

III.13.1.2.3.1. Existing Capacity Retirement Package and Existing Capacity Qualification 
Package.

A resource that previously has been deactivated pursuant to Section I.3.9 of the Transmission, Markets 
and Services Tariff (or its predecessor provisions) and seeks to reactivate and participate in the Forward 
Capacity Market as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource must submit a reactivation plan no later 
than 15 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, as described in Section 
III.13.1.1.1.6(b). All Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity 
Auction must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Retirement Package submitted to the ISO no later than 
the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. All Static De-List Bids, Export Bids and Administrative 
Export De-List Bids in the Forward Capacity Auction must be detailed in an Existing Capacity 
Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline. 
Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids may not be modified or withdrawn after the 
Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, except as provided for in Section III.13.1.2.4.1. All Static De-List 
Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative Export De-List Bids submitted in the qualification process may not 
be modified or withdrawn after the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, except as provided for in 
Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1. An Existing Generating Capacity Resource may not submit a Static De-List Bid, 
Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid for an 
amount of capacity greater than its summer Qualified Capacity, unless the submittal is for the entire 
resource. Where a resource elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 to have 
the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity 
Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, the capacity 
associated with any resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to any type of de-list or 
export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the
Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply. For a single resource, a Lead Market Participant may combine a Static De-List Bid, an Export Bid, and an Administrative Export De-List Bid; neither a Permanent De-List Bid nor a Retirement De-List Bid may be combined with any other type of de-list or export bid.

Static De-List Bids and Export Bids may elect to be rationed (as described in Section III.13.2.6, however, an Export Bid is always subject to potential rationing where the associated external interface binds). Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Static De-List Bid and Export Bid for a single resource, each of those bids must have the same rationing election. Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, and Administrative Export De-List Bid for a single resource, none of the prices in a set of price-quantity pairs associated with a bid may be the same as any price in any other set of price-quantity pairs associated with another bid for the same resource.

III.13.1.2.3.1.A Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold.
The Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold for a Forward Capacity Auction is $5.50/kW-month. The Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold shall be recalculated no less often than once every three years. When the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold is recalculated, the Internal Market Monitor will review the results of the recalculation with stakeholders.

III.13.1.2.3.1.1 Static De-List Bids.
A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource, or a portion thereof, seeking to specify a price below which it would not accept a Capacity Supply Obligation for that resource, or a portion thereof, at prices at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold during a single Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Static De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. A Static De-List Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. Each Static De-List Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. All Static De-List Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5. Static De-List Bids are subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that section. With the submission of a Static De-List Bid, the Lead Market Participant must
notify the ISO if the Existing Capacity Resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period (except for necessary audits or tests).

No later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(b), a Lead Market Participant that submitted a Static De-List Bid may: (a) lower the price of any price-quantity pair of a Static De-List Bid, provided that the revised price is greater than or equal to the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, or; (b) withdraw any price-quantity pair of a Static De-List Bid.

III.13.1.2.3.1.2. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.3.1.3. Export Bids.
An Existing Generating Capacity Resource within the New England Control Area other than an Intermittent Power Resource, an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource or a Renewable Technology Resource seeking to export all or part of its capacity during a Capacity Commitment Period may submit an Export Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. An Export Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. All Export Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5. Export Bids at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold are subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and must include the additional information described in that Section. Each Export Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs) associated with a specific Existing Generating Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. Each price-quantity pair must be less than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for each Export Bid must also specify the interface over which the capacity will be exported. Export Bids shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(b).

III.13.1.2.3.1.4. Administrative Export De-List Bids.
An Existing Generating Capacity Resource other than an Intermittent Power Resource, an Intermittent Settlement Only Resource or a Renewable Technology Resource subject to a multiyear contract to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the Capacity Commitment Period that either: (i) cleared as an Export Bid in a previous Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period
within the duration of the contract; or (ii) entered into a contract prior to April 30, 2007 to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the Capacity Commitment Period, may submit an Administrative Export De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process. An Administrative Export De-List Bid may not result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit except where the resource submits de-list and export bids totaling the resource’s full summer Qualified Capacity. Unless reviewed as an Export Bid in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, an Administrative Export De-List Bid is subject to a reliability review prior to clearing in a Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor in the first Forward Capacity Auction in which it participates, pursuant to Section III.13.1.7. Both the reliability review and the review by the Internal Market Monitor shall be conducted once and shall remain valid for the multiyear contract period. Each Administrative Export De-List Bid must be detailed in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline, must be associated with a specific Existing Generating Capacity Resource, and must indicate the quantity of capacity subject to the bid. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for each Administrative Export De-List Bid must also specify the interface over which the capacity will be exported, and must include documentation demonstrating a contractual obligation to sell capacity outside of the New England Control Area during the whole Capacity Commitment Period. Administrative Export De-List Bids shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.4.

III.13.1.2.3.1.5. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(a) A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource seeking to specify a price at or below which it would not accept a Capacity Supply Obligation permanently for all or part of a Generating Capacity Resource beginning at the start of a particular Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Permanent De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process.

(b) A Lead Market Participant with an Existing Capacity Resource seeking to specify a price at or below which it would retire all or part of a Generating Capacity Resource from all New England Markets beginning at the start of a particular Capacity Commitment Period may submit a Retirement De-List Bid in the associated Forward Capacity Auction qualification process.

(c) No Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid may result in a resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation being less than its Economic Minimum Limit unless the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement
De-List Bid is for the entire resource. Each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid must be
detailed in an Existing Capacity Retirement Package submitted to the ISO no later than the Existing
Capacity Retirement Deadline, and must be in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs)
associated with a specific Existing Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity
offered as the price decreases. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids are subject to review
by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1 and must include the additional
documentation described in that section. Once submitted, no Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-
List Bid may be withdrawn, except as provided in Section III.13.1.2.4.1.

III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1. Reliability Review of Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids
During the Qualification Process.

During the qualification process, the ISO will review the following de-list bids to determine if the
resource is needed for reliability: (1) Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bids and
Internal Market Monitor- accepted Retirement De-List Bids that are at or above the Forward Capacity
Auction Starting Price; and (2) Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for which the Lead
Market Participant has opted to have the resource reviewed for reliability as described in Section
III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b). The reliability review will be conducted according to
Section III.13.2.5.2.5, except as follows:

(a) Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids that cannot be priced (for example, due to
the expiration of an operating license) will be reviewed first.

(b) System needs associated with Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for resources
found needed for reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 will be reviewed with the
Reliability Committee no later than 30 days after the ISO submits to the Commission the retirement filing
described in Section III.13.8.1(a). The Lead Market Participant shall be notified as soon as practicable
following the ISO’s consultation with the Reliability Committee that the capacity associated with a
Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is needed for reliability reasons.

(c) If the capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is needed for
reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, the de-list bid shall be rejected and the
resource shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c) and
compensated according to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, unless the resource declines to be retained for reliability, as provided in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).

(d) No later than 10 Business Days after being informed that a resource is needed for reliability reasons pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, a Lead Market Participant may notify the ISO that it declines to provide the associated capacity for reliability. Such an election will be binding. A resource for which a Lead Market Participant has made such an election will not be eligible for compensation pursuant to Sections III.13.2.5.2.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5.2.

(e) Where a resource is determined not to be needed for reliability or where a Lead Market Participant notifies the ISO that it declines to provide capacity for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d), the capacity associated with the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid will be treated as follows:

(i) For a Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, or a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for which a Lead Market Participant has elected to retire the resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a), the portion of the resource subject to the de-list bid will be retired as permitted by applicable law coincident with the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the de-list bid was submitted, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a).

(ii) For a Permanent De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the portion of the resource subject to the de-list bid will be permanently de-listed coincident with the commencement of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the de-list bid was submitted, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b).

(iii) For a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for which a Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the de-list bid will be continue to receive conditional treatment as described in Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii), and Section III.13.2.5.2.1.

Where Existing Generating Capacity Resources at a Station having Common Costs elect to submit Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, or Retirement De-List Bids, the provisions of this Section III.13.1.2.3.1.6 shall apply.

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.1. Submission of Cost Data.
In addition to the information required elsewhere in this Section III.13.1.2.3, Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, or Retirement De-List Bids submitted by an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs and seeking to delist must include detailed cost data to allow the ISO to determine the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for each asset associated with the Station and the Station Going Forward Common Costs.

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.2. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.2.3.1.6.3. Internal Market Monitor Review of Stations having Common Costs.
The Internal Market Monitor will review each Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bids from an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs pursuant to the following methodology:

(i) Calculate the average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs of each asset at the Station.

(ii) Order the assets from highest average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs to lowest average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs; this is the preferred de-list order.

(iii) Calculate and assign to each asset a station cost that is equal to the average cost of the assets remaining at the Station, including Station Going Forward Common Costs, assuming the successive de-listing of each individual asset in preferred de-list order.

(iv) Calculate a set of composite costs that is equal to the maximum of the cost associated with each asset as calculated in (i) and (iii) above.

The Internal Market Monitor will adjust the set of composite costs to ensure a monotonically non-increasing set of bids as follows: any asset with a composite cost that is greater than the composite cost of the asset with the lowest composite cost and that has average Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs that are less than its composite costs will have its composite cost set equal to that of the asset with the lowest
composite cost. The bids of the asset with the lowest composite cost and of any assets whose composite costs are so adjusted will be considered a single non-rationable bid for use in the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Internal Market Monitor will compare a de-list bid developed using the adjusted composite costs to the de-list bid submitted by the Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs. If the Internal Market Monitor determines that the submitted de-list bid is less than or equal to the bid developed using the adjusted composite costs, then the bid shall be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b). If the Internal Market Monitor determines that the submitted de-list bid is greater than the bid developed using the adjusted composite costs or is not consistent with the submitted supporting cost data, then the Internal Market Monitor will establish an Internal Market Monitor-determined or Internal Market Monitor– accepted price for the bid as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.

III.13.1.2.3.2. Review by Internal Market Monitor of Bids from Existing Capacity Resources.

The Internal Market Monitor shall review bids for Existing Capacity Resources as follows.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1. Static De-List Bids and Export Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, and Retirement De-List Bids at or Above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold.

The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Static De-List Bid and each Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold to determine whether the bid is consistent with: (1) the Existing Capacity Resource’s net going forward costs (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.A); (2) reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3); (3) reasonable risk premium assumptions (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.4); and (4) the resource’s reasonable opportunity costs (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.5).

The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Permanent De-List Bid greater than 20 MW that is above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold and each Retirement De-List Bid greater than 20 MW that is above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold to determine whether the bid is consistent with: (1) the net present value of the resource’s expected cash flows (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B); (2) reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3); and (3) the resource’s reasonable opportunity costs (as determined pursuant to
Section III.13.2.3.2.1.5). If more than one Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is submitted by a single Lead Market Participant or its Affiliates (as used in Section III.A.24), the Internal Market Monitor shall review each such bid above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold if the sum of all such bids above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold is greater than 20 MW. The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Permanent De-List Bid and each Retirement De-List Bid submitted at any price pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.1(b) if the sum of the Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids submitted by the Lead Market Participant or its Affiliates (as used in Section III.A.24) is greater than 20 MW. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids that are not reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall be included in the retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a) and in the filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(a).

Sufficient documentation and information about each bid component must be included in the Existing Capacity Retirement Package or the Existing Capacity Qualification Package to allow the Internal Market Monitor to make the requisite determinations. If a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid is submitted pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.1(b), all relevant updates to previously submitted documentation and information must be provided to support the newly submitted price and allow the Internal Market Monitor to make updated determinations. The updated information may include a request to discontinue the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid such that it will not be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction, in which case the update must include sufficient supporting information on the nature of resource investments that were undertaken, or other materially changed circumstances, to allow the Internal Market Monitor to determine whether discontinuation is appropriate.

The entire de-list submittal shall be accompanied by an affidavit executed by a corporate officer attesting to the accuracy of its content, including reported costs, the reasonableness of the estimates and adjustments of costs that would otherwise be avoided if the resource were not required to meet the obligations of a listed resource, and the reasonableness of the expectations and assumptions regarding Capacity Performance Payments, cash flows, opportunity costs, and risk premiums, and shall be subject to audit upon request by the ISO.

III.13.2.3.2.1.1. Internal Market Monitor Review of De-List Bids.

The Internal Market Monitor may seek additional information from the Lead Market Participant (including information about the other existing or potential new resources controlled by the Lead Market Participant) after the qualification deadline to address any questions or concerns regarding the data submitted, as appropriate. The Internal Market Monitor shall review all relevant information (including
data, studies, and assumptions) to determine whether the bid is consistent with the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs. In making this determination, the Internal Market Monitor shall consider, among other things, industry standards, market conditions (including published indices and projections), resource-specific characteristics and conditions, portfolio size, and consistency of assumptions across that portfolio.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.1. Review of Static De-List Bids and Export Bids.

If the Internal Market Monitor determines, after due consideration and consultation with the Lead Market Participant, as appropriate, that a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid is not consistent with the sum of the resource’s net going forward costs plus reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments plus reasonable risk premium assumptions plus reasonable opportunity costs, then the Internal Market Monitor will establish an Internal Market Monitor-determined price for the bid that is consistent with its determination of the foregoing. If an Internal Market Monitor-determined price is established for a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, both the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4 and the informational filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(c) shall include an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-determined price based on the Internal Market Monitor review and the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs as determined by the Internal Market Monitor.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.1.2. Review of Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

The Internal Market Monitor shall review those Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids identified in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1 and, after due consideration and consultation with the Lead Market Participant, as appropriate, shall develop an Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bid or an Internal Market Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid. The Internal Market Monitor-accepted Permanent De-List Bid and Internal Market Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid shall be equal to the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant unless the de-list bid price(s) submitted by the Lead Market Participant are more than 10% greater than the Internal Market Monitor-accepted de-list bid price(s) for the same de-list bid. If the de-list bid price(s) submitted by the Lead Market Participant are more than 10% greater than the Internal Market Monitor-accepted de-list bid price(s), the Internal Market Monitor shall calculate an Internal Market Monitor-
accepted Permanent De-List Bid or Internal Market-Monitor-accepted Retirement De-List Bid that is consistent with the sum of the net present value of the resource’s expected cash flows plus reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments plus reasonable opportunity costs.

The retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a) and the filing made to the Commission as described in Section III.13.8.1(a) shall include an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-accepted price and the Internal Market Monitor determination on any request to discontinue the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid.

### III.13.1.2.3.1.2.1.A. Static De-List Bid and Export Bid Net Going Forward Costs.

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall report net going forward costs in a manner and format specified by the Internal Market Monitor, and may supplement this information with other evidence. A Static De-List Bid or Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold shall be considered consistent with the Existing Capacity Resource’s net going forward costs based on a review of the data submitted in the following formula. To the extent possible, all costs and operational data used in this calculation shall be the cumulative actual data for the Existing Capacity Resource from the most recent full Capacity Commitment Period available.

\[
GFC - (IMR - PER) \times \text{InfIndex} \times (\text{CQ}_{\text{Summer}, \text{kw}} \times 12, \text{months})
\]

Where:

GFC = annual going forward costs, in dollars. These are costs that might otherwise be avoided or not incurred if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Period (i.e., maintaining a constant condition of being ready to respond to commitment and dispatch orders). Costs that are not avoidable in a single Capacity Commitment Period and costs associated with the production of energy are not to be included. Service of debt is not a going forward cost. Staffing, maintenance, capital expenses, and other normal expenses that would be avoided only in the absence of a Capacity Supply Obligation may be included. Staffing, maintenance, capital expenses, and other normal expenses that would be avoided only if the resource were not participating in the energy and ancillary services markets may not be included, except in the case of a resource that has indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy
and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period. To the extent that the Capacity Commitment Period data used to calculate these data do not reflect known and measurable costs that would or are likely to be incurred in the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, the Internal Market Monitor shall also consider adjustments submitted, provided the costs are based on known and measurable conditions and supported by appropriate documentation to reflect those costs.

\[ CQ_{\text{Summer}} \text{kW} = \text{capacity seeking to de-list in kW. In no case shall this value exceed the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity.} \]

\[ \text{IMR} = \text{annual infra-marginal rents, in dollars. In the case of a resource that has indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period, this value shall be calculated by subtracting all submitted cost data representing the cumulative actual cost of production (total expenses related to the production of energy, e.g. fuel, actual consumables such as chemicals and water, and, if quantified, incremental labor and maintenance) from the Existing Generating Capacity Resource’s total ISO market revenues. In the case of a resource that has not indicated in the submission of a Static De-List Bid that the resource will not be participating in the energy and ancillary services markets during the Capacity Commitment Period, this value shall be $0.00. As soon as practicable, the resource’s total ISO market revenues used in this calculation shall be calculated by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant upon request.} \]

\[ \text{PER} = \text{resource-specific annual peak energy rents, in dollars. As soon as practicable, this value shall be calculated by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant upon request.} \]

At the option of the Lead Market Participant, the cumulative production costs for each of the most recent three Capacity Commitment Periods may be submitted and the annual infra-marginal rents calculated for each year. The Lead Market Participant may then specify two of the three years to be averaged and subsequently used as the IMR value. Upon exercising such option, the PER value used shall be an average of the PER values for the two years selected

\[ \text{InfIndex} = \text{inflation index. infIndex} = (1 + i)^4 \]
Where: “i” is the most recent reported 4- Year expected inflation number published by the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland at the beginning of the qualification period. The specific value to be used shall be specified by the ISO and available to the Lead Market Participant.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid Net Present Value of Expected Cash Flows.

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall report all expected costs, revenues, prices, discount rates and capital expenditures in a manner and format specified by the Internal Market Monitor, and may supplement this information with other evidence. The Internal Market Monitor will review the Lead Market Participant’s submitted data to ensure that it is consistent with overall market conditions and reflects expected values.

The Internal Market Monitor will adjust any data that are inconsistent with overall market conditions or do not reflect expected values. The Internal Market Monitor shall enter all relevant expected costs, revenues, prices, discount rates and capital expenditures into a capital budgeting model and shall determine the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s expected cash flows as follows:

The net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s expected cash flows is equal to (i) the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flows over the resource’s remaining economic life (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.C) plus the net present value of the resource’s expected terminal value, using the resource’s discount rate, divided by (ii) the product of the resource’s Qualified Capacity (in kilowatts) and 12 months.

The Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flow for the first Capacity Commitment Period of the resource’s remaining economic life is the resource’s expected annual net operating profit excluding expected capacity revenues less its expected capital expenditures in the Capacity Commitment Period.

The Existing Capacity Resource’s net annual expected cash flow for each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life is the resource’s expected annual net operating profit less its expected capital expenditures in the Capacity Commitment Period.

Where:
Expected net operating profit, in dollars, is the Lead Market Participant’s expected annual profit that might otherwise be avoided or not accrued if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Period. Expected labor, maintenance, taxes, insurance, administrative and other normal expenses that can be avoided or not incurred if the resource is retired or permanently de-listed may be included. Service of debt is not an avoidable cost and may not be included.

Expected capacity revenues, in dollars, are the forecasted annual expected capacity revenues based on the Lead Market Participant’s forecasted expected capacity prices for each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life. The Lead Market Participant shall provide the Internal Market Monitor with documentation supporting the forecasted expected capacity prices. The supporting documentation must include a detailed description and sources of the Lead Market Participant’s assumptions about expected resource additions, resource retirements, estimated Installed Capacity Requirements, estimated Local Sourcing Requirements, expected market conditions, and any other assumptions used to develop the forecasted expected capacity price in each Capacity Commitment Period.

If the Internal Market Monitor determines the Lead Market Participant has not provided adequate supporting documentation for the forecasted expected capacity prices, the Internal Market Monitor will replace the Lead Market Participant’s forecasted expected capacity prices with the Internal Market Monitor’s estimate thereof in each of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods of the resource’s remaining economic life.

Expected capital expenditures, in dollars, are the Lead Market Participant’s expected capital investments that might otherwise be avoided or not incurred if the resource were not subject to the obligations of a listed capacity resource during the Capacity Commitment Periods.

Expected terminal value, in dollars, for resources with five years or less of remaining economic life, is the Lead Market Participant’s expected revenue less expected costs associated with retiring or permanently de-listing the resource. For resources with more than five years of remaining economic life, the expected terminal value in the fifth year of the evaluation period is the Lead Market Participant’s expected revenue less expected costs associated with retiring or permanently de-listing the resource at the end of the resource’s economic life plus the net present value of the Existing Capacity Resource’s net
annual expected cash flows from the sixth year of the evaluation period through the end of the resource’s remaining economic life, using the resource’s discount rate.

**Discount rate** is a value reflecting the Lead Market Participant’s weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted to reflect the risk to cash flows calculated pursuant to the net present value of expected cash flows analysis in this Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B.

The Lead Market Participant shall provide the Internal Market Monitor with documentation supporting the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk. The supporting documentation must include a detailed description and sources of the Lead Market Participant’s assumptions associated with the cost of capital, risks and any other assumptions used to develop the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk. If the Internal Market Monitor determines the Lead Market Participant has not provided adequate supporting documentation for the weighted average cost of capital for the Existing Capacity Resource adjusted for risk, the Lead Market Participant has included risks not associated with cash flows calculated pursuant to the net present value of expected cash flows analysis in this Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.B or the Lead Market Participant has submitted costs, revenues, capital expenditures or prices that are not reflective of expected values, the Internal Market Monitor will replace the Lead Market Participant’s discount rate with a value determined by the Internal Market Monitor.

**III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.C Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid Calculation of Remaining Economic Life.**

The Internal Market Monitor shall calculate the Existing Capacity Resource’s remaining economic life, using evaluation periods ranging from one to five years. For each evaluation period, the Internal Market Monitor will calculate the net present value of (a) the annual expected net operating profit minus annual expected capital expenditures assuming the Capacity Clearing Price for the first year is equal to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price and (b) the expected terminal value of the resource at the end of the given evaluation period. The economic life is the maximum evaluation period in which a resource’s net present value is non-negative.

**III.13.1.2.3.2.1.3. Expected Capacity Performance Payments.**

The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid
Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall also provide documentation separately detailing the expected Capacity Performance Payments for the resource. This documentation must include expectations regarding the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio, the number of hours of reserve deficiency, and the resource’s performance during reserve deficiencies.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.4.  Risk Premium.
The Lead Market Participant for an Existing Capacity Resource that submits a Static De-List Bid, or an Export Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold that is to be reviewed by the Internal Market Monitor shall also provide documentation separately detailing any risk premium included in the bid. This documentation should address all components of physical and financial risk reflected in the bid, including, for example, catastrophic events, a higher than expected amount of reserve deficiencies, and performing scheduled maintenance during reserve deficiencies. Any risk that can be quantified and analytically supported and that is not already reflected in the formula for net going forward costs described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2.1.2.A may be included in this risk premium component. In support of the resource’s risk premium, the Lead Market Participant may also submit an affidavit from a corporate officer attesting that the risk premium submitted is the minimum necessary to ensure that the overall level of risk associated with the resource’s participation in the Forward Capacity Market is consistent with the participant’s corporate risk management practices.

III.13.1.2.3.2.1.5.  Opportunity Costs.
To the extent that an Existing Capacity Resource submitting a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid, Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold has additional opportunity costs that are not reflected in the net going forward costs, net present value of expected cash flows, expected Capacity Performance Payments, discount rate, or risk premium components of the bid, the Lead Market Participant must include in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package evidence supporting such costs. Opportunity costs associated with major repairs necessary to restore decreases in capacity as described in Section III.13.1.2.2.4, capital projects required to operate the plant as a capacity resource or other uses of the resource shall be considered, provided such costs are substantiated by evidence of a repair plan, documented business plan and fundamental market analysis, or other independent and transparent trading index or indices as applicable. Substantiation of opportunity costs relying on sales in reconfiguration auctions or risk aversion premiums shall not be considered sufficient justification.

III.13.1.2.3.2.2.  [Reserved.]
III.13.1.2.3.2.3. **Administrative Export De-List Bids.**

The Internal Market Monitor shall review each Administrative Export De-List Bid associated with a multi-year contract entered into prior to April 30, 2007 in the first Forward Capacity Auction in which it clears. An Administrative Export De-List Bid shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).

III.13.1.2.3.2.4. **Static De-List Bids for Reductions in Ratings Due to Ambient Air Conditions.**

A Lead Market Participant may submit a Static De-List Bid for up to the megawatt amount that the Lead Market Participant expects will not be physically available due to the difference between the summer Qualified Capacity at 90 degrees and the expected rating of the resource at 100 degrees. The ISO shall verify during the qualification process that the rating is accurate. Such Static De-List Bids may be entered into the Forward Capacity Market at prices up to and including the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, subject to validation of the physical limit. Static De-List Bids for reductions in ratings due to ambient air conditions shall not be subject to the review described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2 and need not include documentation for that purpose.

III.13.1.2.3.2.5. **Static De-List Bid Incremental Capital Expenditure Recovery Schedule.**

Except as described below, the Internal Market Monitor shall review all Static De-List Bids using the following cost recovery schedule for incremental capital expenditures, which assumes an annual pre-tax weighted average cost of capital of 10 percent.

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A Market Participant may request that a different pre-tax weighted average cost of capital be used to determine the resource’s annual rate of capital cost recovery by submitting the request, along with supporting documentation, in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package. The Internal Market Monitor shall review the request and supporting documentation and may, at its sole discretion, replace the annual rate of capital cost recovery from the table above with a resource-specific value based on an adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital. If the Internal Market Monitor uses an adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital for the resource, then the resource’s annual rate of capital cost recovery will be determined according to the following formula:

\[
\frac{Cost\ Of\ Capital}{(1 - (1 + Cost\ Of\ Capital)^{-Remaining\ Life})}
\]

Where:

Cost Of Capital = the adjusted pre-tax weighted average cost of capital.

Remaining Life = the remaining life of the existing resource, based on the age of the resource, as indicated in the table above.

III.13.1.2.4. Retirement Determination Notification for Existing Capacity and Qualification Determination Notification for Existing Capacity.

(a) No later than 90 days after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO shall send notification to the Lead Market Participant that submitted each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid concerning the result of the Internal Market Monitor’s review conducted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2. This retirement determination notification shall not include the results of the reliability review pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5.

(b) No later than 127 days before the Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to the Lead Market Participant that submitted each Static De-List Bid and Export Bid concerning the result of the Internal Market Monitor’s de-list bid review conducted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2. The qualification determination shall not include the results of the reliability review pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.

III.13.1.2.4.1. Participant-Elected Retirement or Conditional Treatment.
No later than ten Business Days after the issuance by the ISO of the retirement determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a), a Lead Market Participant that submitted a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid may make an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b). If the Lead Market Participant does not make an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the prices provided by the Internal Market Monitor in the retirement determination notifications shall be the finalized prices used in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b) (unless otherwise directed by the Commission).

(a) A Lead Market Participant may elect to retire the resource, or portion thereof, for which it has submitted a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid subject to this election will not be subject to reliability review and will be retired pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a); provided, however, that when making the retirement election pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) the Lead Market Participant may opt to have the resource reviewed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, in which case the Lead Market Participant may have the opportunity (but will not be obligated) to provide capacity from the resource if the ISO determines that the resource is needed for reliability reasons, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).

(b) A Lead Market Participant may elect conditional treatment for the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The capacity associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid subject to this election will be treated as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii), Section III.13.2.5.2.1, and Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3; provided, however, that in making this election the Lead Market Participant may opt to have the resource reviewed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, in which case the Lead Market Participant may have the opportunity (but will not be obligated) to provide capacity from the resource if the ISO determines that the resource is needed for reliability reasons, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d).

III.13.1.2.5. Optional Existing Capacity Qualification Package for New Generating Capacity Resources Previously Counted as Capacity.

A resource seeking to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) may elect to submit an Existing Capacity Qualification Package in addition to the New Capacity Show of Interest Form and New Capacity Qualification Package that it is required to submit pursuant to Section
III.13.1.2. The bids contained in an Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.5 must clearly indicate which New Generating Capacity Resource the Existing Capacity Qualification Package is associated with, and if accepted in accordance with Section III.13.1.2.3, would only be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction where: (i) the new resource is not accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2; or (ii) no offer from that New Generating Capacity Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(e). An Existing Capacity Qualification Package submitted pursuant to this Section III.13.1.2.5 must conform in all other respects to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.2.

III.13.1.3. **Import Capacity.**

The qualification requirements for import capacity shall depend on whether the import capacity is an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource. Both Existing Import Capacity Resources and New Import Capacity Resources clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction must be backed by one or more External Resources or by an external Control Area throughout the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. An external Demand Resource may not be an Existing Import Capacity Resource or a New Import Capacity Resource. External nodes shall be established and mapped to Capacity Zones pursuant to the provisions in Attachment K to Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

An Elective Transmission Upgrade with an Interconnection Request for Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service under Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be included in the FCM (1) after it has established a contractual association with an Import Capacity Resource and that Import Capacity Resource has met the Forward Capacity Market qualification requirements or (2) after it has met the requirements of an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Long Lead Time Facility treatment pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. An external node for such an Elective Transmission Upgrade will be modeled for participation in the Forward Capacity Market after the Import Capacity Resource meets the requirements to participate in the FCA. The Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade shall not exceed the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request. In order for an Elective Transmission Upgrade to maintain its Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service, an associated Import Capacity Resource must meet the Forward Capacity Market qualification requirements and offer into each Forward Capacity Auction. Otherwise, the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service will revert to Network Import Interconnection Service for the
portion of the Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service for which no Import Capacity Resource is offered into the Forward Capacity Auction and the Elective Transmission Upgrade’s Interconnection Agreement will be revised. The provisions in Sections III.13.1.3.5.4, permitting a Capacity Commitment Period Election, and in Section III.13.1.3.5.8, permitting a rationing election, shall apply to a New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade seeking to reestablish Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service if the threshold to be treated as a new resource in Section III.13.1.1.1.4 is met. If the threshold to be treated as a new increment in Section III.13.1.1.1.3 is met, only the increment will be eligible for the provisions in Sections III.13.1.3.5.4, permitting a Capacity Commitment Period Election, and in Section III.13.1.3.5.8, permitting a rationing election.

III.13.1.3.1. **Definition of Existing Import Capacity Resource.**
Capacity associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for a period including the whole Capacity Commitment Period, or capacity from an External Resource that is owned or directly controlled by the Lead Market Participant and which is committed for at least two whole consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods by the Lead Market Participant in the New Capacity Qualification Package, shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as an Existing Import Capacity Resource, except that if that Existing Import Capacity Resource has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then the import capacity shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.3.2. **Qualified Capacity for Existing Import Capacity Resources.**
The summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity of an Existing Import Capacity Resource shall be based on the data provided to the ISO during the qualification process, subject to ISO review and verification.

The qualified capacity for the Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with the VJO and NYPA contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) as of the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2014 shall be equal to the lesser of the stated amount in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) or the median amount of the energy delivered from the Existing Import Capacity Resource during the New England system coincident peak over the previous five Capacity Commitment Periods at the time of qualification.
III.13.1.3.3.A Qualification Process for Existing Import Capacity Resources that are not associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service.

Existing Import Capacity Resources shall be subject to the same qualification process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3, except as follows:

(a) The Qualified Capacity shall be the lesser of the multi-year contract values as documented in the new resource qualification determination notification and the capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction to which the new resource qualification determination notification applied.

(b) The rationing election described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1 shall not apply.

(c) The Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in the table below may qualify to receive the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3 for the duration of the contracts as listed. For each Forward Capacity Auction after the first Forward Capacity Auction, in order for an Existing Import Capacity Resource associated with a contract listed below to qualify for the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3, no later than 15 Business Days prior to the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the Market Participant submitting the Existing Import Capacity Resource must also submit to the ISO documentation verifying that the contract will remain in effect throughout the Capacity Commitment Period and that it has not been amended. For the first Forward Capacity Auction, Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in the table below are qualified to receive the treatment described in Section III.13.2.7.3.

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In addition to the review described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2, the Internal Market Monitor shall review each bid from Existing Import Capacity Resources. A bid from an Existing Import Capacity Resource shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).

III.13.1.3.3.B. Qualification Process for Existing Import Capacity Resources that are associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Import Interconnection Service. Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with Capacity Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be subject to the same qualification process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources as described in Section III.13.1.2.3, except the Qualified Capacity shall be the lesser of the multi-year contract values as documented in the new resource qualification determination notification and the capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction to which the new resource qualification determination notification applied.

III.13.1.3.4. Definition of New Import Capacity Resource. Capacity not associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside the New England Control Area for the whole Capacity Commitment Period, but that meets the requirements of Section III.13.1.3.5.1, shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource. For capacity associated with a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside the New England Control Area for a period including the whole Capacity Commitment Period, or capacity from an External Resource that is owned or directly controlled by the Lead Market Participant and which is committed for at least two whole consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods by the Lead Market Participant in the New Capacity Qualification Package, if the import capacity has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, then the import capacity shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Import Capacity Resource.

III.13.1.3.5. Qualification Process for New Import Capacity Resources. The qualification process for a New Import Capacity Resource, whether backed by a new External Resource, by one or more existing External Resources, or by an external Control Area, shall be the same
as the qualification process for a New Generating Capacity Resource, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2, except as follows:

**III.13.1.3.5.1. Documentation of Import.**

(a) For each New Import Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor submitting the import capacity must also submit: (i) documentation of a one-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract; (ii) documentation of a multi-year contract entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the contract period including the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract; (iii) proof of ownership or direct control over one or more External Resources that will be used to back the New Import Capacity Resource during the Capacity Commitment Period, including information to establish the summer and winter ratings of the resource(s) backing the import; or (iv) documentation for system-backed import capacity that the import capacity will be supported by the Control Area and that the energy associated with that system-backed import capacity will be afforded the same curtailment priority as that Control Area’s native load. For each New Import Capacity Resource, the Project Sponsor must specify the interface over which the capacity will be imported. The Project Sponsor must indicate whether the import is associated with any investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with an Interconnection Request for Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff. The Project Sponsor must submit a contract confirming its association with the Elective Transmission Upgrade Interconnection Customer and the ISO will confirm that relationship. If the import will be backed by a single new External Resource, the Project Sponsor submitting the import capacity must also submit a general description of the project’s equipment configuration, including a description of the resource type (such as those listed in the table in Section III.A.21.1 or some other type).

(b) To qualify for Capacity Commitment Periods prior to the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for which the import capacity is qualifying, the Project Sponsor must submit documentation of one or more one-year contracts for each prior Capacity Commitment Period, entered into before the New Capacity Qualification Deadline to provide capacity in
the New England Control Area from outside of the New England Control Area for the entire Capacity Commitment Period, including documentation of the MW value of the contract(s); the Project Sponsor must also satisfy the relevant requirements of Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(a), III.13.1.3.5.1, III.13.1.9, and III.13.3.1.1.

### III.13.1.3.5.2. Import Backed by Existing External Resources.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by one or more External Resources existing at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall not apply, and the Project Sponsor shall instead submit a description of how the New Import Capacity Resource will meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period(s) for which it seeks to qualify.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by one or more External Resources existing at the time of the Forward Capacity Auction and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall apply in addition to the requirement that the Project Sponsor submit a description of how the New Import Capacity Resource will meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period(s) for which it seeks to qualify.

The description must indicate specifically which External Resources will back the New Import Capacity Resource during the Capacity Commitment Period, and if those External Resources are not owned or controlled directly by the Project Sponsor, the description must include a commitment that the External Resources will have sufficient capacity that is not obligated outside the New England Control Area to fully satisfy the New Import Capacity Resource’s potential Capacity Supply Obligation during the Capacity Commitment Period and demonstrate how that commitment will be met.

### III.13.1.3.5.3. Imports Backed by an External Control Area.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by an external Control Area and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall not apply, and the Project
Sponsor shall instead submit system load and capacity projections for the external Control Area showing sufficient excess capacity during the Capacity Commitment Period to back the New Import Capacity Resource.

If the New Import Capacity Resource will be backed by an external Control Area and the capacity will be imported over an Elective Transmission Upgrade and the capacity will be imported over an interface that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, the provisions regarding site control (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.1) and critical path schedule (Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2) shall apply in addition to the requirement that the Project Sponsor submit system load and capacity projections for the external Control Area showing sufficient excess capacity during the Capacity Commitment Period to back the New Import Capacity Resource for the length of the multi-year contract.

III.13.1.3.5.3.1. Imports Crossing Intervening Control Areas.
The preceding rules define requirements associated with the import of capacity from a Control Area, or resources located in a Control Area, directly adjacent to the New England Control Area. Imports of capacity from a Control Area or resources located in a Control Area where such import crosses an intervening Control Area or Control Areas shall comply with the following additional requirements: (1) For imports crossing a single intervening Control Area, the Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate, as detailed in the ISO New England Manuals, that the remote Control Area will afford the energy export to the adjacent intervening Control Area the same curtailment priority as its native load, that the adjacent intervening Control Area has procedures in place to explicitly recognize the linkage between the import and re-export of energy in support of the import contract, and that the energy export to the ISO will not be curtailed (except pro-rata with a curtailment of native load) so long as the linked import is flowing. (2) For imports crossing more than one intervening Control Area, in addition to the requirements above, the Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate, as detailed in the ISO New England Manuals, by the New Capacity Qualification Deadline, that explicit market and operating procedures exist among the intervening Control Areas to ensure that the energy required to be delivered to the New England Control Area will be guaranteed the same curtailment priority as the intervening native loads, and that none of the intervening Control Areas will curtail the transaction except in conjunction with a curtailment of native load. (3) The Project Sponsor entering the import contract shall demonstrate that capacity it supplies to the New England Control Area will not be recalled or curtailed to satisfy the load of the external Control Area, or that the external Control Area in which it is
located will afford New England Control Area load the same curtailment priority that it affords its own Control Area native load.

III.13.1.3.5.4. **Capacity Commitment Period Election.**

The provisions regarding Capacity Commitment Period election (Section III.13.1.2.2.4) shall only apply to a New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request. All other New Import Capacity Resources clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction shall have a Capacity Supply Obligation and shall receive payments only for the one-year Capacity Commitment Period associated with that Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.3.5.5. **Initial Interconnection Analysis.**

The provisions regarding initial interconnection analysis (Section III.13.1.2.3) shall not apply unless the capacity will be imported over an Elective Transmission Upgrade pursuing Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff that has not achieved Commercial Operation as defined in Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

III.13.1.3.5.5.A. **Cost Information.**

The offer information described in Section III.13.1.2.2.3 and Section III.A.21.2 may be submitted in the form of a curve (up to five price-quantity pairs) associated with a specific New Import Capacity Resource. The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. Each price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21 and must include the additional documentation described in that Section.

III.13.1.3.5.6. **Review by Internal Market Monitor of Offers from New Import Capacity Resources.**

In addition to the review described in Section III.13.1.2.2.3 and Section III.A.21, the Internal Market Monitor shall review each offer from New Import Capacity Resources. An offer from a New Import Capacity Resource shall be rejected if the Internal Market Monitor determines that the bid may be an attempt to manipulate the Forward Capacity Auction, and the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)).
III.13.1.3.5.7. **Qualification Determination Notification for New Import Capacity Resources.**

For New Import Capacity Resources, the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8 shall be modified to reflect the differences in the qualification process described in this Section III.13.1.3.5.

No later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, a Lead Market Participant with a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is (i) backed by a single new External Resource and associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, or (ii) associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) that submitted a request to submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices that are below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price as described in Sections III.13.1.1.2.2.3 and III.13.1.3.5 may: (a) lower the requested offer price of any price-quantity pair submitted to the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3, provided that the revised price is greater than or equal to the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, or (b) withdraw any price-quantity pair of a requested offer price.

III.13.1.3.5.8. **Rationing Election.**

New Import Capacity Resources are subject to rationing except New Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request, which are eligible for the rationing election described in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3(b).

III.13.1.4. **Demand Resources.**

III.13.1.4.1. **Demand Resources.**

To participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a Demand Resource, a resource must meet the requirements of this Section III.13.1.4.1. No resource shall be permitted to qualify or participate in the Forward Capacity Market as a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource beginning with the 2021-2022 Capacity Commitment Period. Prior to June 1, 2018, the ISO shall convert any Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource that remains in the New England markets beyond June 1, 2018 to a Demand Response Capacity Resource. The Qualified Capacity and any Capacity Supply Obligation of the former Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource shall become the Qualified Capacity and the Capacity Supply Obligation of the converted Demand Response Capacity Resource. No resource shall be
permitted to participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a Demand Response Capacity Resource prior to
the Forward Capacity Auction for the 2017-2018 Capacity Commitment Period. A Demand Response
Capacity Resource with a Commercial Operation Date before June 1, 2018, or a Demand Response
Capacity Resource that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the 2017-2018 Capacity
Commitment Period, shall be considered a Real-Time Demand Response Resource for any Capacity
Commitment Period commencing prior to June 1, 2018. No resource shall be permitted to participate in a
Forward Capacity Auction as a Real-Time Demand Response Resource beginning with the Forward
Capacity Auction for the 2017-2018 Capacity Commitment Period. The amount of capacity offered by a
Demand Resource shall be a minimum of 100 kW aggregated in a Dispatch Zone. A Demand Resource
may continue to offer capacity into Forward Capacity Auctions and reconfiguration auctions for Capacity
Commitment Periods in an amount less than or equal to its remaining Measure Life. Demand Resources
must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulatory, siting, and tariff requirements,
including interconnection tariff requirements related to siting, interconnection, and operation of the
Demand Resource. Demand Resources are not permitted to submit import or export bids or
Administrative Export De-list Bids.

For purposes of this Section III.13.1.4, references to the Lead Market Participant for a resource shall
include the Enrolling Participant for a Demand Resource.

III.13.1.4.1.1. Existing Demand Resources.
Demand Resources that previously have been in service and registered with the ISO, and which are not
otherwise New Demand Resources, shall be Existing Demand Resources. Existing Demand Resources
shall include and are limited to Demand Resources that have been in service and registered with the ISO
to fulfill a Capacity Supply Obligation created by clearing in a past Forward Capacity Auction before the
Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction. Except as
specified in Section III.13.1.4.1, Existing Demand Resources shall be subject to the same qualification
process as Existing Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.1.2.3. Existing Demand
Resources shall be subject to Section III.13.1.2.2.5.2. An Existing Demand Resource may submit a
Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5,
provided, however, that neither a Permanent De-List Bid nor a Retirement De-List Bid shall be used as a
mechanism to inappropriately qualify assets associated with Existing Demand Resources as New Demand
Resources. Existing Demand Resources may de-list consistent with Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1. Existing
Demand Response Capacity Resources shall be subject to Section III.13.7.1.1.5.
III.13.1.4.1.2.  New Demand Resources.
A New Demand Resource is a Demand Resource that has not been in service prior to the applicable
Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the Forward Capacity Auction, or Distributed Generation that
has operated only to address an electric power outage due to failure of the electrical supply, on-site
disaster, local equipment failure, or public service emergencies such as flood, fire, or natural disaster, or
excessive deviations from standard voltage from the electrical supplier to the premises during the 12-
month period prior to the applicable Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline of the Forward Capacity
Auction, and is not an Existing Demand Resource. A Demand Resource that has previously been defined
as an Existing Demand Resource shall be considered a New Demand Resource if it meets one of the
conditions listed in Section III.13.1.1.2.

III.13.1.4.1.2.1.  Qualified Capacity of New Demand Resources.
For Forward Capacity Auctions a New Demand Resource shall have a summer Qualified Capacity and
winter Qualified Capacity based on the resource’s Demand Reduction Values as submitted and reviewed
pursuant to this Section III.13.1.4.

The documentation, analysis, studies and methodologies used to support the estimates described in this
Section III.13.1.4.1.2.1 must be submitted as part of the Measurement and Verification Plan, which shall
be reviewed by the ISO to ensure consistency with the measurement and verification requirements
pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.1.2.2.  Initial Analysis for Certain New Demand Resources
For each New Demand Resource that is a Demand Response Capacity Resource, the ISO shall perform an
analysis based on the information provided in the New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form to
determine the amount of capacity that the resource could provide by the start of the associated Capacity
Commitment Period. This analysis shall be performed consistent with the criteria and conditions
described in ISO New England Planning Procedures. Where, as a result of this analysis, the ISO
determines that because of overlapping interconnection impacts, such a New Demand Resource that is
otherwise accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the other
provisions and requirements of this Section III.13.1 cannot deliver any of the capacity that it would
otherwise be able to provide (in the absence of the other relevant Existing Capacity Resources), then that
New Demand Resource will not be accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.2.  Show of Interest Form for New Demand Resources.
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form as described in this Section III.13.1.4.2 during the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, as described in Section III.13.1.10. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project. The New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form is available on the ISO website.

(a) A completed New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form shall include, but is not limited to, the following information: project name; Load Zone within which the Demand Resource project will be located; the Dispatch Zone within which a Demand Response Capacity Resource will be located; estimated summer and winter Demand Reduction Values (MW) per measure and/or per customer facility (measured at the customer meter and not including losses) expected to be achieved five weeks prior to the first and second annual Forward Capacity Auctions after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award would be made, if applicable, and on the Commercial Operation date; estimated total summer and winter Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project; supporting documentation (e.g., engineering estimates or documentation of verified savings from comparable projects) to substantiate the reasonableness of the estimated Demand Reduction Values; Demand Resource type (On-Peak Demand Resource, Seasonal Peak Demand Resource, or Demand Response Capacity Resource); brief Demand Resource project description including measure type (i.e., Energy Efficiency, Load Management, and/or Distributed Generation); types of facilities at which the measures will be implemented; customer classes and end-uses served; expected Commercial Operation date – i.e., the date by which the Project Sponsor expects to reach Commercial Operation (Commercial Operation for a Demand Resource shall mean the demonstration to the ISO by the Project Sponsor that the Demand Resource described in the Project Sponsor's New Demand Resource Qualification Package has achieved its full Demand Reduction Value); ISO Market Participant status and ISO customer identification (if applicable); status under Schedules 22 or 23 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (if applicable); project/technical and credit/financial contacts; and for individual Distributed Generation projects and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand Reduction Value equal to or greater than 5 MW, the Pnode and service address at which the end-use facility is located; capability and experience of the Project Sponsor.

III.13.1.4.2.1. Qualification Package for Existing Demand Resources.

For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as an Existing Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit an Existing Capacity Qualification Package no later
than the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. The Existing Capacity Qualification Package for an Existing Demand Resource shall conform to the requirements of Section III.13.1.4.1. All Existing Demand Resources must provide a Measurement and Verification Plan which complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.2. **Qualification Package for New Demand Resources.**
For each resource that a Project Sponsor seeks to offer in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Demand Resource, the Project Sponsor must submit a New Demand Resource Qualification Package no later than the New Capacity Qualification Deadline. The New Demand Resource Qualification Package shall conform to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.4.2.2. The ISO may waive the submission of any information not required for evaluation of a project.

III.13.1.4.2.2.1. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.2.2.2. **Source of Funding.**
The Project Sponsor must provide source of funding which includes, but is not limited to, the following information: The source(s) of public benefits funding or private financing, or a funding plan supplemented by information on how previous projects were funded; A completed ISO credit application.

III.13.1.4.2.2.3. **Measurement and Verification Plan.**
For all Demand Resources other than Demand Response Capacity Resources, the Project Sponsor must provide a Measurement and Verification Plan which complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3, Section III.8A and III.8B and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4. **Customer Acquisition Plan.**
A Project Sponsor with more than a single customer must provide a description of its plan to acquire customers that includes, but is not limited to, the following information: a description of proposed customer market; the estimated size of target market and supporting documentation; a marketing plan with supporting documentation describing the manner in which customers will be recruited; and evidence supporting the viability of the marketing plan.
III.13.1.4.2.2.4.1. Individual Distributed Generation Projects and Demand Resource Projects From a Single Facility With A Demand Reduction Value Greater Than or Equal to 5 MW.

For individual Distributed Generation projects and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand Reduction Value greater than or equal to 5 MW the critical path schedule requirements and the monitoring and milestones are the same as those required for New Generating Capacity Resources as set forth in Section III.13.1.2.2.2.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4.2. Demand Resource Projects Involving Multiple Facilities and Demand Resource Projects From a Single Facility With A Demand Reduction Value Less Than 5 MW.

A critical path schedule for Demand Resource projects installed at multiple facilities and Demand Resource projects from a single facility with a Demand Reduction Value of less than 5 MW shall be comprised of a delivery schedule of the share of total offered Demand Reduction Value achieved as of target dates which are: (i) The cumulative percentage of total Demand Reduction Value achieved on target date 1 occurring five weeks prior to the first annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award was made; (ii) The cumulative percentage of total Demand Reduction Value achieved on target date 2 occurring five weeks prior to the second annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s capacity award was made; and (iii) target date 3 which is the expected Commercial Operation date, which must be on or before the first day of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period and by which date 100% of total Demand Reduction Value must be complete.

III.13.1.4.2.2.4.3. Additional Requirement For Demand Resource Project Sponsor Proposing Total Demand Reduction Value of 30 Percent or Less by the Second Target Date.

If a Demand Resource Project Sponsor proposes in its New Demand Resource Qualification Package a cumulative Percent of Total Demand Reduction Value Complete that is 30 percent or less by the second critical path schedule target date, then a pipeline analysis must be submitted to the ISO five weeks prior to the second annual Forward Capacity Auction after the Forward Capacity Auction in which the award was made. A pipeline analysis demonstrates the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s ability to fulfill its obligation to deliver capacity that cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction by the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. Such an analysis must list the customers that have made a commitment to participate in the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s program to deliver capacity to meet the Demand
Resource Project Sponsor’s Forward Capacity Auction obligations, and must include each customer’s projected summer and winter Demand Reduction Values, and expected measure installation date; provided, however, that a Demand Resource Project Sponsor targeting customer facilities with under 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility shall have the option of using a targeting and marketing plan based on past performance in that market to determine the Project Sponsor’s ability to fulfill its obligation by the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. To the extent that the Demand Resource Project Sponsor is unable to demonstrate through its pipeline analysis that it has sufficient customers to meet its Capacity Supply Obligation by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, the Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall be subject to the ISO’s critical path schedule monitoring procedures, as specified in Section III.13.3 of Market Rule 1.

III.13.1.4.2.2.5. Capacity Commitment Period Election.
In the New Demand Resource Qualification Package, the Project Sponsor must specify whether, if its New Demand Resource offer clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) shall continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to six additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period increments only. If no such election is made in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package, the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price associated with the New Demand Resource offer shall apply only for the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the New Demand Resource offer clears. If the Project Sponsor elects to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, then the Project Sponsor may not change the Demand Resource type as long as that Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply. If an offer from a New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the capacity associated with the resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to any type of de-list or export bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to this Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5.

III.13.1.4.2.2.6. Rationing Election.
The Project Sponsor for a New Demand Resource must indicate in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package if an offer from the New Demand Resource may be rationed. A Project Sponsor may specify a single MW quantity to which offers may be rationed. Without such indication, offers will
only be accepted or rejected in whole. This rationing election shall apply for the entire Forward Capacity Auction.

### III.13.1.4.2.3. Consistency of the New Demand Resource Qualification Package and New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form.

The ISO shall review the Project Sponsor’s New Demand Resource Qualification Package for consistency with its New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form. The New Demand Resource Qualification Package may not contain material changes relative to the New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form. A material change may include, but is not limited to the following: (i) a change in the designation of the Demand Resource type; (ii) a change in the Project Sponsor, subject to review by the ISO of the capability and experience of the new Project Sponsor; (iii) a change in the Load Zone within which the project is located, and a change in the Dispatch Zone within which the Demand Response Capacity Resource is located; (iv) a change in the total summer or winter Demand Reduction Value of the project by more than 30 percent; (v) a change in the general type of measure being implemented (e.g., Energy Efficiency, Load Management, Distributed Generation); (vi) a change in the treatment as an Existing Demand Resource for the first Forward Capacity Auction; or (viii) a misrepresentation of the interconnection status of a Distributed Generation project.

### III.13.1.4.2.4. Offers From New Demand Resources.

All New Demand Resources that might submit offers in the Forward Capacity Auction at prices below the relevant Offer Review Trigger Price must include in the New Demand Resource Qualification Package the lowest price at which the resource requests to offer capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and supporting documentation justifying that price as competitive in light of the resource’s costs (as described in Section III.A.21). This price is subject to review by the Internal Market Monitor pursuant to Section III.A.21.2 and must include the additional documentation described in that section.

### III.13.1.4.2.5. Notification of Qualification for Demand Resources.

#### III.13.1.4.2.5.1. Evaluation of Demand Resource Qualification Materials.

The ISO shall review the information submitted by Existing Demand Resources and New Demand Resources and shall determine whether the information submitted complies with the requirements set forth in this Section III.13.1.4 and whether, based on the information provided, the Demand Resource is accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction. In making these determinations, the ISO may consider, but is not limited to consideration of, the following:
(a) whether the information submitted by Existing Demand Resources and New Demand Resources is accurate and contains all of the elements required by this Section III.13.1.4;

(b) whether the critical path schedule submitted by New Demand Resources includes all necessary elements and is sufficiently developed;

(c) whether the milestones in the critical path schedule submitted by New Demand Resources are reasonable and likely to be met;

(d) whether, in the case of a resource previously counted as a capacity resource, the requirements for treatment as a New Demand Resource are satisfied; and

(e) whether the Measurement and Verification Plan complies with the ISO’s measurement and verification requirements pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.2.5.2. Notification of Qualification for Existing Demand Resources.

For each Existing Demand Resource, the ISO will notify the Resource’s Lead Market Participant no later than 20 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline of: (i) Demand Resource type; and (ii) summer and winter Demand Reduction Values and estimates of summer and winter Qualified Capacity as defined in Section III.13.1.4.3 and the Load Zone in which the Capacity Resource is located, and the Dispatch Zone within which a Demand Response Capacity Resource is located. If the Lead Market Participant believes that an ISO-determined summer Qualified Capacity or winter Qualified Capacity for an Existing Demand Resource does not accurately reflect the determination described in Section III.13.1.4.3, then the Lead Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the Qualified Capacity notification. If an Existing Demand Resource is not submitting a change in its Demand Resource type, a Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement De-List Bid or Static De-List Bid for the Forward Capacity Auction, then no further submissions or actions for that resource are necessary, and the resource shall participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(c) with Qualified Capacity as indicated in the ISO’s notification, and may not elect to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction. If a Market Participant believes that the Demand Reduction Value or Qualified Capacity for an Existing Demand Resource is inaccurate or wishes to change its Demand Resource type, the Market Participant must notify the ISO within 5 Business Days of receipt of the
Qualified Capacity notification and submit an Updated Measurement and Verification Plan to reflect the change in its Demand Resource type, if applicable. Updated Measurement and Verification Plans must be received by the ISO no later than 5 Business Days after receipt of the Qualified Capacity notification. Designation of the Demand Resource type may not be changed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3. Notification of Qualification for New Demand Resources.
No later than 127 days prior to the relevant Forward Capacity Auction, the ISO shall send notification to Project Sponsors for each New Demand Resource indicating whether the New Demand Resource has been accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3.1. Notification of Acceptance to Qualify of a New Demand Resource.
For a New Demand Resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the notification will specify the Demand Resource’s summer and winter Demand Reduction Value and summer and winter Qualified Capacity. Designation of the Demand Resource type may not be changed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.2.5.3.2. Notification of Failure to Qualify of a New Demand Resource.
For a New Demand Resource not accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction, the notification will provide an explanation as to why the resource did not meet the requirements set forth in this Section III.13.1.4 and was not accepted.

III.13.1.4.3. Measurement and Verification Applicable to All Demand Resources.
To demonstrate the Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Resource project, as defined in Section III.13.1.4.1, all Demand Resources participating in the Forward Capacity Auction, Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals or reconfiguration auctions shall submit to the ISO the Demand Resource project Measurement and Verification Documents in accordance with this Section III.13.1.4.3, Sections III.8A and III.8B and the ISO New England Manuals. Demand Response Capacity Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources participating in the Forward Capacity Auction, Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals or reconfiguration auctions must estimate Demand Reduction Values pursuant to the requirements of Sections III.8A, Section III.8B, Section III.13.6.1.5.4, and Section III.E1 and Section III.E2. To the extent that a Demand Response Capacity Resource consists, in whole or in part, of assets capable of delivering Net Supply, the estimated Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Response Capacity Resource may include an estimate of Net Supply. The ISO shall review such Measurement and Verification Documents to determine whether they are consistent with the measurement and verification
requirements set forth in this Section III.13.1.4.3, Section III.8A, Section III.8B, and the ISO New England Manuals.

**III.13.1.4.3.1. Measurement and Verification Documents Applicable to On-Peak Demand Resources, and Seasonal Peak Demand Resources.**

Measurement and Verification Documents for On-Peak Demand Resources, and Seasonal Peak Demand Resources must demonstrate both availability and performance of Demand Resource projects in reducing demand coincident with Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours such that the reported monthly Demand Reduction Value shall achieve at least a ten percent relative precision and an eighty percent confidence interval as described and applied in the ISO New England Manual on Measurement and Verification of Demand Reduction Value from Demand Resources. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall serve as the basis for the claimed Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Resource project. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall document the measurement and verification performed to verify the achieved Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall contain a projection of the Demand Resource project’s Demand Reduction Value for each month of the Capacity Commitment Period and over the expected Measure Life of the Demand Resource project. A Demand Resource’s Measurement and Verification Documents must describe the methodology used to calculate electrical energy load reduction or output during Demand Resource On-Peak Hours, or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours. The Measurement and Verification Documents shall include a Measurement and Verification Plan submitted in the Forward Capacity Auction Qualification, as described in Section III.13.1.4.3 and a monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Report during the Capacity Commitment Period. The monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports shall reference the measurement and verification protocols and performance data documented in the Measurement and Verification Plan or the Measurement and Verification Reference Report(s). Such monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports will document the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s total Demand Reduction Value from eligible pre-existing measures and new measures, and the Project Sponsor’s total Demand Reduction Value from both eligible pre-existing measures and new measures, for all measures it had in operation as of the end of the previous month. The monthly Measurement and Verification Summary Reports shall be based on Measurement and Verification Documents determined in accordance with Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals, and shall be the basis for monthly settlement with Demand Resource Project Sponsors. All Measurement and Verification Documents shall conform to the ISO’s specifications with
respect to content, format and delivery methodology, and shall be submitted in accordance with the timelines and deadlines set forth in Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals.

III.13.1.4.3.1.1. **Optional Measurement and Verification Reference Reports.**
At the option of the Demand Resource Project Sponsor, the Measurement and Verification Documents may also include one or more Measurement and Verification Reference Report(s) submitted during the Capacity Commitment Period subject to the schedule in the Measurement and Verification Plan and consistent with the schedule and reporting standards set forth in the ISO New England Manuals. Measurement and Verification Reference Reports shall update the prospective Demand Reduction Value of the Demand Resource project based on measurement and verification studies performed during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.4.3.1.2. **Updated Measurement and Verification Documents.**
At the option of the Demand Resource Project Sponsor, an Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may be submitted during a subsequent Forward Capacity Auction qualification process prior to the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period of the Demand Resource project. The Updated Measurement and Verification Plan may include updated Demand Resource project specifications, measurement and verification protocols, and performance data. However, the Updated Measurement and Verification Plan shall not modify for the duration of the Capacity Commitment Period the total Demand Reduction Value and the Demand Resource type from the applicable Forward Capacity Auction in which the Demand Resource Project Sponsor’s offer cleared. Additionally, the Updated Measurement and Verification Plan shall provide measurement and verification consistent with the requirements specified in the ISO New England Manuals, and shall be comparable to the quality of the original Measurement and Verification Plan accepted during the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process in which the Demand Resource project cleared the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.1.4.3.1.3. **Annual Certification of Accuracy of Measurement and Verification Documents.**
Demand Resource Project Sponsors for On-Peak Demand Resources, or Seasonal Peak Demand Resources and Real-Time Demand Response Resources shall submit no less frequently than once per year, a statement certifying that the Demand Resource projects for which the Project Sponsor is requesting compensation continue to perform in accordance with the submitted Measurement and Verification Documents reviewed by the ISO. One such statement must be received by the ISO no later than 10 Business Days before the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline.
III.13.1.4.3.1.4.  Record Requirement of Retail Customers Served.

For Demand Resource projects targeting customer facilities with greater than or equal to 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, Demand Resource Project Sponsors shall maintain records of retail customers served including, at a minimum, the retail customer’s address, the customer’s utility distribution company, utility distribution company account identifier, measures installed, and corresponding monthly Demand Reduction Values. For Demand Resource projects targeting customer facilities with under 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, the Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall maintain records as described above for customer facilities with greater than or equal to 10 kW of Demand Reduction Value per facility, or shall maintain records of aggregated Demand Reduction Value and measures installed by Load Zone and meter domain. Demand Resource Project Sponsors shall maintain such records until the end of the Measure Life, or until the Demand Resource is permanently delisted from the Forward Capacity Market, and shall submit such records to the ISO upon request in a readable electronic format.

III.13.1.4.3.2.   Measurement and Verification Documentation of Demand Reduction Values Applicable to All Demand Resources.

The Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall designate the specific methodology used to establish Demand Reduction Values, including the specification of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours for On-Peak Demand Resources, Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours for Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, or Real-Time Demand Response Event Hours for Real-Time Demand Response Resources, in its Measurement and Verification Plan pursuant to Section III.13.1.4.3. For Demand Response Capacity Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources, the Demand Resource Project Sponsor shall provide an estimate of Demand Reduction Values consistent with the baseline calculation methodology in Section III.8A and Section III.8B. To the extent that a Demand Response Capacity Resource consists, in whole or in part, of assets capable of delivering Net Supply, the estimated Demand Reduction Value of a Demand Response Capacity Resource may include an estimate of Net Supply. Distributed Generation, Demand Response Capacity Resource, Real-Time Demand Response, and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource projects must include individual metering or a metering protocol consistent with the measurement and verification requirements set forth in Market Rule 1 and the ISO New England Manuals to monitor and verify the Demand Reduction Values of the Demand Resource project.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, all Demand Response Assets must be metered at the Retail Delivery Point.
For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, if the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset cannot operate synchronized to the grid, and there is no Demand Response Asset at the same facility, the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset can be metered at the Retail Delivery Point or at the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset. If the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is capable of operating synchronized to the grid or there is a Demand Response Asset at the same facility then both the Retail Delivery Point and the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must be metered. For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets must utilize a remote terminal unit for communicating telemetry and receiving Dispatch Instructions, and the metering equipment used to measure the performance of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must meet the requirements of Section E2.2.1(a), (b), and (c), must be tested pursuant to Section E2.2.3, and are subject to auditing pursuant to Section E2.2.4.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing on or after June 1, 2018, if a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is metered at the generator, the associated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource’s Demand Reduction Value shall be calculated using the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset’s Average Hourly Output. If a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset is only metered at the Retail Delivery Point, the associated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource’s Demand Reduction Value shall be calculated using the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset’s Average Hourly Load Reduction.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing before June 1, 2018, the output of the generators comprising a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset must be directly metered and reported to the ISO as a single set of interval meter data, provided that if there is no other Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset, Real-Time Demand Response Asset or other generator whose output can be controlled at the same facility, the Market Participant may instead meter the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset at the retail delivery point. Meter data associated with the Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset shall be recorded and reported by the Market Participant to the ISO in Real-Time at an interval of five minutes.

For Capacity Commitment Periods commencing before June 1, 2018, the output of generators comprising a Real-Time Demand Response Asset located behind the retail delivery point must be directly metered and reported to the ISO in Real-Time as a single set of interval meter data at an interval of five-minutes.

III.13.1.4.3.2.1. No Performance Data to Determine Demand Reduction Values.
Should a new Demand Resource, other than a Demand Response Capacity Resource, enter service at a time such that there is no performance data for June, July, August, December or January upon which to establish summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Values, and the Demand Resource has relieved itself of its Capacity Supply Obligation for those months through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or reconfiguration auction, then the summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Values will be the simple average of its Demand Reduction Values for those months with a Capacity Supply Obligation.

For a new Demand Resource, other than a Demand Response Capacity Resource, that enters service outside of the summer DR Auditing Period or winter DR Auditing Period and the Demand Resource has relieved itself of its Capacity Supply Obligation for those months through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or reconfiguration auction, the Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit results shall be used in the determination of the summer or winter seasonal Demand Reduction Value.

III.13.1.4.3.3. ISO Review of Measurement and Verification Documents.
The ISO shall review the Measurement and Verification Documents and complete such review and identify any necessary modifications in accordance with the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process as described in Section III.13.1 and pursuant to the ISO New England Manuals. In its review of the Measurement and Verification Documents, the ISO may consult with the Project Sponsor to seek clarification, to gather additional necessary information, or to address questions or concerns arising from the materials submitted. At the discretion of the ISO, the ISO may consider revisions or additions to the Measurement and Verification Documents resulting from such consultation; provided, however, that in no case shall the ISO consider revisions or additions to the Measurement and Verification Documents if the ISO believes that such consideration cannot be properly accomplished within the time periods established for the qualification process.

III.13.1.4.3.4. Measurement and Verification Costs.
Costs associated with measurement and verification of the Demand Resource project shall be borne by the Demand Resource Project Sponsor. Demand Resource Project Sponsors submitting application materials and Measurement and Verification Documents for review during the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process shall be subject to the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, as described in Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.4.4. Dispatch of Active Demand Resources During Event Hours.

III.13.1.4.4.1. Notification of Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours.
The ISO shall issue notice to Market Participants concerning Demand Resource Forecast Peak Hours on the day before the relevant Operating Day. The notice issued pursuant to this section is for informational purposes only and shall not constitute a Dispatch Instruction.

III.13.1.4.4.2. Dispatch of Demand Resources During Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours.
The ISO shall issue Dispatch Instructions to Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Resources to curtail and restore loads during Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hours. Dispatch Instructions shall apply to Real-Time Demand Response Resources. The amount of Demand Resources dispatched for each Real-Time Demand Resource Dispatch Hour will be the amount that the ISO determines is necessary to meet the reserve deficiency. The ISO may issue Dispatch Instructions that reduce or increase the amount dispatched in each hour.

III.13.1.4.4.3. Dispatch of Demand Resources During Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours.
The ISO shall issue Dispatch Instructions to Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources to curtail and restore loads during Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hours. Dispatch Instructions shall apply to specific Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. The amount of Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources dispatched for each Real-Time Emergency Generation Event Hour will be the amount the ISO determines is necessary to meet the reserve deficiency.

III.13.1.4.5. Selection of Active Demand Resources For Dispatch.

A Market Participant must manage its Real-Time Demand Response Assets that are registered as a component of a Real-Time Demand Response Resource as of the first of a month so that the Real-Time Demand Response Resource complies with Dispatch Instructions. If the operation or potential operation of Real-Time Demand Response Assets cause, or potentially cause, a reliability problem, the ISO may direct Market Participants to not dispatch such assets or to restore the loads of such assets that have already been dispatched. If the ISO directs a Market Participant to not dispatch a Real-Time Demand Response Asset or to restore the load of a dispatched Real-Time Demand Response Asset, an adjustment to the dispatch and/or settlement process will be made to reflect the exclusion of that asset from dispatch or the restoration of that asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Assets shall report
to the ISO the load reduction and consumption, or generator output of each asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Demand Response Resources consisting of an aggregation of more than one Real-Time Demand Response Asset shall report the load reduction and consumption, or generator output of the resource, to the ISO as the sum of the load reduction, consumption, or generator output of the individual assets making up that resource. Real-Time Demand Response Resources shall be assigned a unique resource identification number. The load reduction and consumption, or generator output of a Real-Time Demand Response Resource is reported to the ISO as a single set of values. A Real-Time Demand Response Resource shall consist of one or more Real-Time Demand Response Assets that are located within the same Dispatch Zone.


A Market Participant must manage its Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets that are registered as a component of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource as of the first of a month so that the Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource complies with Dispatch Instructions. If the operation or potential operation of Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets causes, or potentially causes, a reliability problem, the ISO may direct Market Participants to not dispatch such assets or to discontinue the output of such assets that have already been dispatched. If the ISO directs a Market Participant to not dispatch a Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or to discontinue the output of a dispatched Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset, an adjustment to the dispatch and/or settlement process will be made to reflect the exclusion of that asset from dispatch or the discontinued output of that asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets shall report to the ISO the load reduction and consumption, or generator output of each asset. Market Participants with Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources consisting of an aggregation of more than one Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset shall report the generator output of the resource to the ISO as the sum of the generator outputs of the individual assets making up that resource. Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources shall be assigned a unique resource identification number. The generator output of a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource is reported to the ISO as a single set of values. A Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource shall consist of one or more Real-Time Emergency Generation Assets that are located within the same Dispatch Zone.

III.13.1.4.5.3. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.6. Conversion of Active Demand Resources Defined at the Load Zone to Active Demand Resources Defined at Dispatch Zones.

The ISO shall establish Dispatch Zones that reflect potential transmission constraints within a Load Zone that are expected to exist during each Capacity Commitment Period. Dispatch Zones shall be used to establish the geographic location and dispatch of Demand Response Capacity Resources, Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources. Dispatch Zones shall not change during a Capacity Commitment Period. For each Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall establish and publish Dispatch Zones by the beginning of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction. The ISO will review proposed Dispatch Zones with Market Participants prior to establishing and publishing final Dispatch Zones.

III.13.1.4.6.2. Disaggregation of Real-Time Demand Response Resources and Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources From Load Zones to Dispatch Zones.


Market Participants with a Capacity Supply Obligation that is being fulfilled using a Real-Time Demand Response Resource in a Load Zone shall, prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, disaggregate that Real-Time Demand Response Resource into one or more Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the original Load Zone. The sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the Load Zone must be equal to the initial Capacity Supply Obligation within the original Load Zone. If the sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Demand Response Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within a Load Zone is less than the initial Capacity Supply Obligation by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, and the Market Participant does not transfer the entire difference through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or an annual reconfiguration auction by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, then the Market Participant will be deemed to have failed to meet its Capacity Supply Obligation, in which case the ISO shall terminate the Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation associated with the resource in the amount of the difference, terminate the Market Participant’s right to any payments associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation, and retain any applicable financial assurance associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation.

Market Participants with a Capacity Supply Obligation that is being fulfilled using a Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource in a Load Zone shall, prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, disaggregate that Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource into one or more Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the original Load Zone. The sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within the Load Zone must be equal to the initial Capacity Supply Obligation within the original Load Zone. If the sum of the Capacity Values of the disaggregated Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources located within one or more Dispatch Zones within a Load Zone is less than the initial Capacity Supply Obligation by the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, and the Market Participant does not transfer the entire difference through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral or an annual reconfiguration auction by the beginning of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, then the Market Participant will be deemed to have failed to meet its Capacity Supply Obligation in which case the ISO shall terminate the Market Participant’s Capacity Supply Obligation associated with the resource in the amount of the difference, terminate the Market Participant’s right to any payments associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation, and retain any applicable financial assurance associated with the terminated Capacity Supply Obligation.

III.13.1.4.7. [Reserved.]

III.13.1.4.8. [Reserved.]


A Market Participant may not register and, if previously registered, must retire in accordance with Section III.13.1.4.9.1, a Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or asset associated with an On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource that is comprised of:

(a) the customers of Host Utilities that distributed more than 4 million MWh in the previous fiscal year if the relevant electric retail regulatory authority prohibits such customers’ demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs, or
(b) the customers of Host Utilities that distributed 4 million MWh or less in the previous fiscal year, unless the relevant electric retail regulatory authority permits such customers’ demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs.


A Market Participant must retire a previously registered Real-Time Demand Response Asset, Real-Time Emergency Generation Asset or asset associated with an On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource that is comprised of customers specified in subsections (a) or (b) of Section III.13.1.4.9 no later than 12 months from the date that the ISO receives notice that the relevant electric retail regulatory authority prohibits such customer’s demand response to be bid into the ISO-administered markets or programs or May 31, 2013, whichever is later.


If requested by a Market Participant with a registered Load Asset, the ISO will provide the following information about end-use customers served by the Market Participant: (a) whether the end-use customer’s facility is registered with the ISO as part of an asset and whether the asset is associated with a Demand Response Resource, Real-Time Demand Response Resource or Real-Time Emergency Generation Resource, and; (b) the load reduction capability of the asset, as specified in the ISO’s asset registration system, to which the end-use customer’s facility is registered.

III.13.1.4.11. Assignment of Demand Assets to a Demand Resource.

The following mapping provisions apply to Demand Resources other than Demand Response Capacity Resources, the mapping for which is addressed in Appendix E to Market Rule 1.

(a) When a demand asset can be mapped to more than one Demand Resource, any demand assets shall be mapped to a commercial Demand Resource whose demand reduction capability is less than the lower of (i) its commercial capacity, as reflected in the resource’s highest audit value or (ii) its highest Capacity Supply Obligation acquired for the current Capacity Commitment Period or any future Capacity Commitment Period, before being mapped to a non-commercial Demand Resource or non-commercial increment of a Demand Resource.
(b) A demand asset cannot be unmapped from a Demand Resource if, following the unmapping, the sum of the audit values of the remaining demand assets that are mapped to the Demand Resource would be lower than the resource’s highest Capacity Supply Obligation acquired for the current Capacity Commitment Period or any future Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.1.5. **Offers Composed of Separate Resources.**

Separate resources seeking to participate together in a Forward Capacity Auction shall submit a composite offer form no later than 10 Business Days after the date on which the ISO provides qualification determination notifications, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.8, Section III.13.1.2.4, and Section III.13.1.2.4.5.3. Offers composed of separate resources may not be modified or withdrawn after the deadline for submission of the composite offer form. Separate resources may together participate in a Forward Capacity Auction as a single resource if the following conditions are met:

(a) In all months of the summer period (June through September where the summer resource is not a Demand Resource, April through November where the summer resource is a Demand Resource) of the Capacity Commitment Period, only one resource may be used to supply the amount of capacity offered during the entire summer period. In all months of the winter period (October through May where the summer resource is not a Demand Resource, December through March where the summer resource is a Demand Resource) of the Capacity Commitment Period, multiple resources may be combined to supply the amount of capacity offered, provided that: (i) the resources together meet the amount of the offer in all months of the winter period; and (ii) to combine for a month, that month must be considered a winter month for both the summer resource and the resource combining with that summer resource in that month.

(b) Each resource that is part of an offer composed of separate resources must qualify in accordance with all of the provisions of this Section III.13.1.5 applicable to that resource type. An offer composed of separate resources participates in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the resource type of the resource providing capacity in the summer period. A resource electing (pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which its New Capacity Offer clears shall not be eligible to participate in an offer composed of separate resources as the resource providing capacity in the summer period in the Forward Capacity Auction in which the resource is a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource.
(c) The summer Qualified Capacity of an offer composed of separate resources shall be the summer Qualified Capacity of the single resource that will provide the Capacity Supply Obligation during the summer period. If the summer Qualified Capacity of an offer composed of separate resources is greater than the winter capacity for any month, then the provisions of Section III.13.1.2.5.2 shall apply, even where any of the resources comprising the offer composed of separate resources is an Intermittent Power Resource or Intermittent Settlement Only Resource. If the winter capacity of the offer composed of separate resources in any month is higher than the summer Qualified Capacity, then the capacity offered from the winter resources will be reduced pro-rata to equal the summer Qualified Capacity.

(d) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is intended to meet the Local Sourcing Requirement in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located in that import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(e) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is intended to meet the capacity requirement in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located in a Capacity Zone that is not export-constrained.

(f) If an offer is composed of separate resources, and is for capacity in an export-constrained Capacity Zone, then each resource comprising the offer must be located inside of the export-constrained Capacity Zone or be located in any non-export constrained Capacity Zone.

(g) [Reserved.]

(h) A Renewable Technology Resource may only participate in an offer composed of separate resources if its FCA Qualified Capacity has not been prorated pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.10.

III.13.1.5.A. Notification of FCA Qualified Capacity.
No later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources, the ISO shall notify the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant for each New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, and New Demand Resource of the resource’s final FCA Qualified Capacity for the Forward Capacity Auction. Such notification will detail the resource’s financial assurance requirements in accordance with Section III.13.1.9.
III.13.1.6. **Self-Supplied FCA Resources.**

Where a Project Sponsor elects to designate all or a portion of a New Generating Capacity Resource or an Existing Generating Capacity Resource as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, the Project Sponsor must make such designation in writing to the ISO no later than the date by which the Project Sponsor is required to submit the FCM Deposit and, if the Project Sponsor is not also the associated load serving entity, the Project Sponsor must at that time provide written confirmation from the load serving entity regarding the Self-Supplied FCA Resource designation. A New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource may be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource. All Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall be subject to the eligibility and locational requirements in this Section III.13.1.6. If designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource and otherwise accepted in the qualification process, the resource will clear in the Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(c) and, with the exception of demand programs for Self-Supplied FCA Resources, shall offset an equal amount of the load serving entity’s Capacity Load Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period. A load serving entity seeking to self-supply using a Demand Resource shall realize the benefit through the actual reduction in its annual system coincident peak load, shall not receive credit for a resource and, therefore, is not required to participate in the qualification process described in this Section III.13.1. All designations as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process are binding.

III.13.1.6.1. **Self-Supplied FCA Resource Eligibility.**

Where all or a portion of a resource is designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, it shall also maintain its status as a New Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource, and must satisfy the Forward Capacity Auction qualification process requirements set forth in the remainder of Section III.13.1 applicable to that resource type, in addition to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.6. Where an offer composed of separate resources is designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource, all of the requirements and deadlines specified in Section III.13.1.5 shall apply to that offer, in addition to the requirements of this Section III.13.1.6. The total quantity of capacity that an load serving entity designates as Self-Supplied FCA Resources may not exceed the load serving entity’s projected share of the Installed Capacity Requirement during the Capacity Commitment Period which shall be calculated by determining the load serving entity’s most recent percentage share of the Installed Capacity Requirement multiplied by the projected Installed Capacity Requirement for the commitment year. No resource may be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource for more MW than the lesser of that resource’s summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity.
III.13.1.6.2. **Locational Requirements for Self-Supplied FCA Resources.**

In order to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource for a load in an import-constrained Capacity Zone, the Self-Supplied FCA Resource must be located in the same Capacity Zone as the associated load, unless the Self-Supplied FCA Resource is a pool-planned unit or other unit with a special allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights. In order to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource in an export-constrained Capacity Zone for a load outside that export-constrained Capacity Zone, the Self-Supplied FCA Resource must be a pool-planned unit or other unit with a special allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights.

III.13.1.7. **Internal Market Monitor Review of Offers and Bids.**

In addition to the other provisions of this Section III.13.1, the Internal Market Monitor shall have the authority to review in the qualification process each resource’s summer and winter Seasonal Claimed Capability if it is significantly lower than historical values, and if the Internal Market Monitor determines that it may be an attempt to exercise physical withholding, the matter will be referred to the Commission in accordance with the protocols set forth in Appendix A to the Commission’s Market Monitoring Policy Statement (111 FERC ¶ 61,267 (2005)). Where an entity submits: (i) an offer as a New Generating Capacity Resource, a New Import Capacity Resource or a New Demand Resource; and (ii) a Static De-List Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, a Retirement De-List Bid, an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid in the same Forward Capacity Auction, the Internal Market Monitor shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the resource bid to de-list, retire or export in the Forward Capacity Auction is not inappropriately replaced by that new capacity in a subsequent reconfiguration auction or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral. In its review of any offer or bid pursuant to this Section III.13.1.7, the Internal Market Monitor may consult with the Project Sponsor or Market Participant, as appropriate, to seek clarification, or to address questions or concerns regarding the materials submitted.

III.13.1.8. **Publication of Offer and Bid Information.**

(a) Resource name, quantity and Load Zone (or interface, as applicable) in which the resource is located about each Permanent De-list Bid and Retirement De-List Bid will be posted no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(b) The quantity and Load Zone (or interface, as applicable) in which the resource is located of each Static De-List Bid will be posted no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.
(c) Name of submitter, quantity, and interface of Export Bids and Administrative Export Bids shall be published no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(d) Name of submitter, quantity, and interface about offers from New Import Capacity Resources shall be published no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted.

(e) No later than three Business Days after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, the ISO shall post on its website information concerning Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(f) The name of each Lead Market Participant submitting Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative Export De-List Bids, as well as the number and type of such de-list bids submitted by each Lead Market Participant, shall be published no later than three Business Days after the ISO issues the qualification determination notifications described in Sections III.13.1.2.8, III.13.1.2.4(b), and III.13.1.3.5.7. Authorized Persons of Authorized Commissions will be provided confidential access to full information about posted Static De-list Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, and Retirement De-List Bids upon request pursuant to Section 3.3 of the ISO New England Information Policy.

(g) No later than five Business Days after the close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, the ISO shall post on its website the aggregate quantity of supply offers and demand bids that have been elected to participate in the substitution auction by Capacity Zone (where the zones used are those being studied for inclusion in the associated Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.12.4).


Except as noted in this Section III.13.1.9, all financial assurance requirements associated with Forward Capacity Auctions and annual reconfiguration auctions and other payments and charges resulting from the Forward Capacity Market shall be governed by the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.


In order to participate in any Forward Capacity Auction, New Generating Capacity Resources (including Conditional Qualified New Resources) and New Demand Resources shall be required to meet the financial assurance requirements as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy. Timely payment of the FCM Deposit by the Project Sponsor for a New Generating Capacity Resource or
New Demand Resource accepted for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction constitutes a commitment to offer the full FCA Qualified Capacity of that New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. If the FCM Deposit is not received within the timeframe specified in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy, the New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource shall not be permitted to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction. If capacity offered by the New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, financial assurance required prior to the auction pursuant to FAP shall be applied toward the resource’s financial assurance obligation, as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy. If no capacity offered by that New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the financial assurance required prior to the auction pursuant to FAP will be released pursuant to the terms of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.


Where a New Generating Capacity Resource’s offer or a New Demand Resource’s offer is accepted in a Forward Capacity Auction, that resource must provide financial assurance as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.1.9.2.1. Failure to Provide Financial Assurance or to Meet Milestone.

If a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource: (i) fails to provide the required financial assurance as described in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy or (ii) has its Capacity Supply Obligation terminated by the ISO pursuant to Section III.13.3.4(c), it shall lose its Capacity Supply Obligation and its right to any payments associated with that Capacity Supply Obligation, and it shall forfeit any financial assurance provided with respect to that Capacity Supply Obligation.


Once a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource achieves Commercial Operation and is tested for its capacity rating, its financial assurance obligation shall be released pursuant to the terms of the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy and it shall have the same financial assurance requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as governed by the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy. If a New Generating Capacity Resource or New Demand Resource is only
capable of delivering less than the amount of capacity that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction, then the portion of its financial assurance associated with the shortfall shall be forfeited.

III.13.1.9.2.2.1. [Reserved.]

Where any financial assurance is forfeited pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13, there shall be no further coverage for such forfeit under the ISO New England Billing Policy. Any financial assurance that is forfeited pursuant to Section III.13 shall be used to reduce charges incurred by load in the relevant Capacity Zone to replace that capacity.

A New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a new External Resource or will be delivered over an Elective Transmission Upgrade with a Capacity Network Import Interconnection Service Interconnection Request pursuant to Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff shall be subject to the same financial assurance requirements as a New Generating Capacity Resource, as described in Section III.13.1.9.1 and Section III.13.1.9.2. Once the new External Resource or the Elective Transmission Upgrade achieves Commercial Operation, the New Import Capacity Resource shall be subject to the same financial assurance requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as described in Section III.13.1.9. A New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by one or more existing External Resources or by an external Control Area shall be subject to the same financial assurance requirements as an Existing Generating Capacity Resource, as governed by the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

For each New Capacity Show of Interest Form and New Demand Resource Show of Interest Form submitted for the purposes of qualifying for either a Forward Capacity Auction or reconfiguration auction, the Project Sponsor must submit to the ISO a refundable deposit in the amount shown in the table below (“Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit”). The Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit must be received in accordance with the ISO New England Billing Policy. Such deposit shall be used for costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owners, associated with the qualification process described in Section III.13.1 and with the critical path schedule monitoring described in Section III.13.3. An additional Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit is not required if: (i) the Project
Sponsor is actively seeking qualification for another Forward Capacity Auction or annual reconfiguration auction, or is having the project’s critical path schedule monitored pursuant to Section III.13.3; and (ii) the costs already incurred in the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring do not equal or exceed 90 percent of the amount of the previously-submitted Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit(s). The ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with an annual statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. In any case where resources are aggregated or disaggregated, the associated Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposits will be adjusted as appropriate. After aggregation or disaggregation of resources, historical data regarding the costs already incurred in the qualification process of the original resources will no longer be provided. Coincident with the issuance of the annual statement, where incurred costs are equal to or greater than 90 percent of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit(s) previously submitted, the ISO will issue an invoice in the amount determined pursuant to the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit table contained in Section III.13.1.9.3.1 plus any excess of costs incurred to date by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owners, associated with the qualification process described in Section III.13.1 and with the critical path schedule monitoring described in Section III.13.3. Any refunds that may result from aggregation of resources will be issued coincident with the annual statement. Payment on the invoice must be received in accordance with the ISO New England Billing Policy. If the Project Sponsor fails to pay the amount due by the stated due date, the ISO will consider the resources that were invoiced withdrawn by the Project Sponsor. Such a withdrawal shall be irrevocable, and payment on the invoice after the due date will not remedy the failure to pay or the withdrawal.

III.13.1.9.3.1. Partial Waiver Of Deposit.
A portion of the deposit shall be waived when there is an active Interconnection Request and an executed Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement or Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement under Schedule 22, 23 or 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff or where a resource modification does not require a revision to the Interconnection Agreement.

| New Generating Resources ≥ 20 MW or an Import Capacity Resource associated with an Elective Transmission | New Generating Resources < 20 MW and ≥ 2 MW | Imports and New Demand Resources (including Distributed Generation) | New Generating Resources < 2 MW |
III.13.1.9.3.2. Settlement of Costs.

III.13.1.9.3.2.1. Settlement Of Costs Associated With Resources Participating In A Forward Capacity Auction Or Reconfiguration Auction.

Upon the latter of: (i) the first day of the Capacity Commitment Period for which a resource offers into the Forward Capacity Market or (ii) the date on which the entire resource is accepted by the ISO for Commercial Operation, the ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with a statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. If any portion of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit exceeds the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s) associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring.
monitoring, the ISO shall refund to the Project Sponsor the excess including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). If the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of the affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring exceed the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, the Project Sponsor shall pay such excess, including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). For Demand Resources, the ISO shall provide all of the above concurrently with the annual statement required under Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.9.3.2.2. Settlement Of Costs Associated With Resources That Withdraw From A Forward Capacity Auction Or Reconfiguration Auction.

Upon the withdrawal or failure to meet the requirements of the qualification process set forth in Section III.13.1, the ISO shall provide the Project Sponsor with a statement in writing of the costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. A Project Sponsor that withdraws or is deemed to have withdrawn its request for qualification shall pay to the ISO all costs prudently incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring. The ISO shall refund to the Project Sponsor any portion of the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit that exceeds the costs associated with the qualification process and critical path schedule monitoring incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). The ISO shall charge the Project Sponsor the amount of such costs incurred by the ISO and its consultants, including the documented and reasonably-incurred costs of affected Transmission Owner(s), that exceeds the Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit, including interest calculated in accordance with 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2). For Demand Resources, the ISO shall provide all of the above concurrently with the annual statement required under Section III.13.1.9.3.

III.13.1.9.3.2.3. Crediting Of Reimbursements.

Cost reimbursements received (excluding amounts passed through to the ISO’s consultants and to affected Transmission Owner(s)) by the ISO pursuant to this Section III.13.1.9.3.2 shall be credited against revenues received by the ISO pursuant to Section IV.A.6.1 of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

Beginning with the timeline for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2017 (the eighth Forward Capacity Auction), and for each Capacity Commitment Period thereafter, the deadlines will be consistent for each Capacity Commitment Period, as follows:

(a) each Capacity Commitment Period shall begin in June;

(b) the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline will be in March, approximately four years and three months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(c) the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window will be in April, approximately four years and two months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(d) the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline will be in June, approximately four years before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period;

(e) the New Capacity Qualification Deadline will be in June or July that is just under four years before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period; and

(f) the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period will begin in February approximately three years and four months before the beginning of the Capacity Commitment Period.

The table below shows this generic timeline for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning in year “X”, where X is any year after 2015.

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III.13.1.11 Opt-Out for Resources Electing Multiple-Year Treatment.
Beginning in the qualification process for the ninth Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2018), any resource that had elected in a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the ninth Forward Capacity Auction (pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which its New Capacity Offer cleared may, by submitting a written notification to the ISO no later than the Existing Capacity Qualification Deadline (or, in the case of the ninth Forward Capacity Auction, no later than September 19, 2014), opt-out of the remaining years of the resource’s multiple-year election. A decision to so opt-out shall be irrevocable. A resource choosing to so opt-out will participate in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions in the same manner as other Existing Capacity Resources.
III.13.2. **Annual Forward Capacity Auction.**

### III.13.2.1. **Timing of Annual Forward Capacity Auctions.**

Except with respect to the first six Forward Capacity Auctions (as described in Section III.13.1.10), each Forward Capacity Auction will be conducted beginning on the first Monday in the February that is approximately three years and four months before the beginning of the associated Capacity Commitment Period (unless, no later than the immediately preceding December 1, an alternative date is announced by the ISO), or, where exigent circumstances prevent the start of the Forward Capacity Auction at that time, as soon as possible thereafter.

### III.13.2.2. **Amount of Capacity Cleared in Each Forward Capacity Auction.**

The total amount of capacity cleared in each Forward Capacity Auction shall be determined using the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve and the Capacity Zone Demand Curves for the modeled Capacity Zones pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3.

#### III.13.2.2.1. **System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve.**

The MRI Transition Period is the period from the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020 through the earlier of:

1. the Forward Capacity Auction for which the amount of the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) that is filed by the ISO with the Commission pursuant to Section III.12.3 for the upcoming Forward Capacity Auction is greater than or equal to the sum of: 34,151 MW, and: (a) 722 MW (for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020); (b) 375 MW (for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2021), or; (c) 150 MW (for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2022);

2. the Forward Capacity Auction for which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4, specifies a quantity at $7.03/kW-month in excess of the MW value determined under the applicable subsection (2)(b), (2)(c), or (2)(d), below, or;
(iii) the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2022.

During the MRI Transition Period, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall consist of the following three segments:

(1) at prices above $7.03/kW-month and below the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price for system capacity quantities based on the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4;

(2) at prices below $7.03/kW-month, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be linear between $7.03/kW-month and $0.00/kW-month and determined by the following quantities:
   (a) At the price of $0.00/kW-month, the quantity specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be 1616 MW plus the MW value determined under the applicable provision in (b), (c), or (d) of this subsection.
   (b) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2020, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:
      1. 35,437 MW; and
      2. 722 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month;
   (c) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2021, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:
      1. 35,090 MW; and
      2. 375 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month;
   (d) for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2022, at $7.03/kW-month, the quantity shall be the lesser of:
      1. 34,865 MW; and
      2. 150 MW plus the quantity at which the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value and the scaling factor yield a price of $7.03/kW-month.
(3) a price of $7.03/kW-month for all quantities between those curves segments.

In addition to the foregoing, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

Following the MRI Transition Period, the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price for system capacity quantities based on the product of the system-wide Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.1.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. For any system capacity quantity greater than 110% of the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero. The System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.2.2. Import-Constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curves.
For each import-constrained Capacity Zone, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price for all Capacity Zone quantities based on the product of the import-constrained Capacity Zone’s Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.1.3, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. The prices specified by an import-constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall be non-negative. At all quantities greater than the amount of capacity for which the Capacity Zone Demand Curve specifies a price of $0.01/kW-month, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero. The Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall not specify a price in excess of the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.2.3. Export-Constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curves.
For each export-constrained Capacity Zone, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price for all Capacity Zone quantities based on the product of the export-constrained Capacity Zone’s Marginal Reliability Impact value, calculated pursuant to Section III.12.2.2.1, and the scaling factor specified in Section III.13.2.2.4. The prices specified by an export-constrained Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall be non-positive. At all quantities less than the amount of capacity for which the Capacity Zone Demand Curve specifies a price of negative $0.01/kW-month, the Capacity Zone Demand Curve shall specify a price of zero.
III.13.2.4. **Capacity Demand Curve Scaling Factor.**
The demand curve scaling factor shall be set at the value such that, at the quantity specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve at a price of Net CONE, the Loss of Load Expectation is 0.1 days per year.

III.13.2.3. **Conduct of the Forward Capacity Auction.**
The Forward Capacity Auction shall include a descending clock auction, which will determine, subject to the provisions of Section III.13.2.7, the Capacity Clearing Price for each Capacity Zone modeled in that Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.12.4, and the Capacity Clearing Price for certain offers from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3(d). The Forward Capacity Auction shall determine the outcome of all offers and bids accepted during the qualification process and submitted during the auction. The descending clock auction shall be conducted as a series of rounds, which shall continue (for up to five consecutive Business Days, with up to eight rounds per day, absent extraordinary circumstances) until the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for all modeled Capacity Zones in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.2.3.3. Each round of the Forward Capacity Auction shall consist of the following steps, which shall be completed simultaneously for each Capacity Zone included in the round:

III.13.2.3.1. **Step 1: Announcement of Start-of-Round Price and End-of-Round Price.**
For each round, the auctioneer shall announce a single Start-of-Round Price (the highest price associated with a round of the Forward Capacity Auction) and a single (lower) End-of-Round Price (the lowest price associated with a round of the Forward Capacity Auction). In the first round, the Start-of-Round Price shall equal the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for all modeled Capacity Zones. In each round after the first round, the Start-of-Round Price shall equal the End-of-Round Price from the previous round.

III.13.2.3.2. **Step 2: Compilation of Offers and Bids.**
The auctioneer shall compile all of the offers and bids for that round, as follows:

(a) **Offers from New Generating Capacity Resources, New Import Capacity Resources, and New Demand Resources.**

   (i) The Project Sponsor for any New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an
investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade, or New Demand Resource accepted in the qualification process for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction may submit a New Capacity Offer indicating the quantity of capacity that the Project Sponsor would commit to provide from the resource during the Capacity Commitment Period at that round’s prices. A New Capacity Offer shall be defined by the submission of one to five prices, each strictly less than the Start-of-Round Price but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and an associated quantity in the applicable Capacity Zone. Each price shall be expressed in units of dollars per kilowatt-month to an accuracy of at most three digits to the right of the decimal point, and each quantity shall be expressed in units of MWs to an accuracy of at most three digits to the right of the decimal point. A New Capacity Offer shall imply a supply curve indicating quantities offered at all of that round’s prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii).

(ii) If the Project Sponsor of a New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability, New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade, or New Demand Resource elects to offer in a Forward Capacity Auction, the Project Sponsor must offer the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price in the first round of the auction. A New Capacity Offer for a resource may in no event be for greater capacity than the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity at any price. A New Capacity Offer for a resource may not be for less capacity than the resource’s Economic Minimum Limit at any price, except where the New Capacity Offer is for a capacity quantity of zero.

(iii) Let the Start-of-Round Price and End-of-Round Price for a given round be \( P_S \) and \( P_E \), respectively. Let the \( m \) prices (\( 1 \leq m \leq 5 \)) submitted by a Project Sponsor for a modeled Capacity Zone be \( p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_m \), where \( P_S > p_1 > p_2 > \ldots > p_m \geq P_E \), and let the associated quantities submitted for a New Capacity Resource be \( q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_m \). Then the Project Sponsor’s supply curve, for all prices strictly less than \( P_S \) but greater than or equal to \( P_E \), shall be taken to be:
where, in the first round, $q_0$ is the resource’s full FCA Qualified Capacity and, in subsequent rounds, $q_0$ is the resource’s quantity offered at the lowest price of the previous round.

(iv) Except for Renewable Technology Resources and except as provided in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(v), a New Capacity Resource may not include any capacity in a New Capacity Offer during the Forward Capacity Auction at any price below the resource’s New Resource Offer Floor Price. The amount of capacity included in each New Capacity Offer at each price shall be included in the aggregate supply curves at that price as described in Section III.13.2.3.3.

(v) Capacity associated with a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or a New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) shall be automatically included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 at prices at or above the resource’s offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2) and shall be automatically removed from the aggregate supply curves at prices below the resource’s offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2), except under the following circumstances:

In any round of the Forward Capacity Auction in which prices are below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, the Project Sponsor for a New Import Capacity Resource (other than a New Import Capacity Resource that is backed by a single new External Resource and that is associated with an investment in transmission that increases New England’s import capability or a New Import Capacity Resource that is associated with an Elective Transmission Upgrade) with offer prices (as they may be modified pursuant to Section III.A.21.2) that are less than the Dynamic Delist Bid Threshold may submit a New Capacity Offer indicating the quantity of capacity that the Project Sponsor would commit to provide from the resource during the Capacity Commitment Period at that round’s prices. Such an offer shall be defined by the submission of one to five

$$S(p) = \begin{cases} q_0, & \text{if } p > p_1, \\ q_1, & \text{if } p_2 < p \leq p_1, \\ q_2, & \text{if } p_3 < p \leq p_2, \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ q_m, & \text{if } p \leq p_m. \end{cases}$$
prices, each less than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold (or the Start-of-Round Price, if lower than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold) but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and a single quantity associated with each price. Such an offer shall be expressed in the same form as specified in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(i) and shall imply a curve indicating quantities at all of that round’s relevant prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii). The curve may not increase the quantity offered as the price decreases.

(b) **Bids from Existing Capacity Resources**

(i) Static De-List Bids, Permanent De-List Bids, Retirement De-List Bids, and Export Bids from Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources, as finalized in the qualification process or as otherwise directed by the Commission shall be automatically bid into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction, such that each such resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 until any Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement D-List Bid, or Export Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2, and is removed from the aggregate supply curves. In the case of a Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid at or above the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price, the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be reduced by the quantity of the de-list bid (unless the resource was retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.5.1) and the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid shall not be included in the Forward Capacity Auction. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids subject to an election under Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) or Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) shall not be bid into the Forward Capacity Auction and shall be treated according to Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(ii). In the case of a Static De-List Bid, if the Market Participant revised the bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the revised bid shall be used in place of the submitted bid; if the Market Participant withdrew the bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the capacity associated with the withdrawn bid shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c). If the amount of capacity associated with Export Bids for an interface exceeds the transfer limit of that interface (minus any accepted Administrative De-List Bids over that interface), then the set of Export Bids associated with that interface equal to the interface’s transfer limit (minus any accepted Administrative De-List Bids over that interface) having the highest bid prices shall be included in the auction as described above; capacity for which Export
Bids are not included in the auction as a result of this provision shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c).

(ii) For Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids, the ISO will enter a Proxy De-List Bid into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction in the following circumstances: (1) if the Lead Market Participant has elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) to retire the resource or portion thereof, the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the Internal Market Monitor has found a portfolio benefit pursuant to Section III.A.24; or (2) if the Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the price specified in the Commission-approved de-list bid is less than the price specified in the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant and less than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Proxy De-List Bid shall be non-rationable and shall be equal in price and quantity to, and located in the same Capacity Zone as, the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid, and shall be entered into the appropriate rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction such that the capacity associated with the Proxy De-List Bid will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3 until the Proxy De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, as described in Section III.13.2.5.2, and is removed from the aggregate supply curves. If the Lead Market Participant has elected conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), the resource has not been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1, and the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid is equal to or greater than the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant, no Proxy De-List Bid shall be used and the Commission-approved de-list bid shall be entered in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(b)(i).

(iii) For purposes of this subsection (b), if an Internal Market Monitor-determined price has been established for a Static De-List Bid and the associated resource’s capacity is pivotal pursuant to Sections III.A.23.1 and III.A.23.2, then (unless otherwise directed by the Commission) the lower of the Internal Market Monitor-determined price and any revised bid that is submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1 will be used in place of the initially submitted bid; provided, however, that if the bid was withdrawn pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.1, then the capacity associated with the withdrawn bid shall be entered into the auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2(c). If an Internal Market Monitor-determined price has been established for
an Export Bid and the associated resource’s capacity is pivotal pursuant to Sections III.A.23.1 and III.A.23.2, then the Internal Market Monitor-determined price (or price directed by the Commission) will be used in place of the submitted bid.

Any Static De-List Bid for ambient air conditions that has not been verified pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.2.4 shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection (b).

(c) **Existing Capacity Resources Without De-List or Export Bids and Self-Supplied FCA Resources.** Each Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, and Existing Demand Resource without a Static De-List Bid, a Permanent De-List Bid, a Retirement De-List Bid, an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid in its Existing Capacity Qualification Package, and each existing Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be automatically entered into each round of the Forward Capacity Auction at its FCA Qualified Capacity, such that the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3, except where such resource, if permitted, submits an appropriate Dynamic De-List Bid, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(d). Each new Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be automatically entered into each round of the Forward Capacity Auction at its designated self-supplied quantity at prices at or above the resource’s New Resource Offer Floor Price, such that the resource’s designated self-supply quantity will be included in the aggregate supply curves as described in Section III.13.2.3.3.

(d) **Dynamic De-List Bids.** In any round of the Forward Capacity Auction in which prices are below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold, any Existing Generating Capacity Resource, Existing Import Capacity Resource, or Existing Demand Resource (but not any Self-Supplied FCA Resources) may submit a Dynamic De-List Bid at prices below the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold. Such a bid shall be defined by the submission of one to five prices, each less than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold (or the Start-of-Round Price, if lower than the Dynamic De-List Bid Threshold) but greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price, and a single quantity associated with each price. Such a bid shall be expressed in the same form as specified in Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(i) and shall imply a curve indicating quantities at all of that round’s relevant prices, pursuant to the convention of Section III.13.2.3.2(a)(iii). The curve may in no case increase the quantity offered as the price decreases. A dynamic De-List Bid may not offer less capacity than the resource’s Economic Minimum Limit at any price, except where the amount of capacity offered is zero. All Dynamic De-List Bids are subject to a reliability review as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and if not rejected for reliability reasons, shall be included in the round in the same manner as Static De-List Bids as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(b). Where a resource elected pursuant to
Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5 to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, the capacity associated with any resulting Capacity Supply Obligation may not be subject to a Dynamic De-List Bid in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply. Where a Lead Market Participant submits any combination of Dynamic De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, and Administrative Export De-List Bid for a single resource, none of the prices in a set of price-quantity pairs associated with a bid may be the same as any price in any other set of price-quantity pairs associated with another bid for the same resource.

(e) **Repowering.** Offers and bids associated with a resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) shall be addressed in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13.2.3.2(e). The Project Sponsor shall offer such a New Generating Capacity Resource into the Forward Capacity Auction in the same manner and pursuant to the same rules as other New Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(a). As long as any capacity is offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, the amount of capacity offered is the amount that the auctioneer shall include in the aggregate supply curve at the relevant prices, and the quantity of capacity offered from the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall not be included in the aggregate supply curve. If any portion of the New Generating Capacity Resource clears in the Forward Capacity Auction, the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource shall be permanently de-listed as of the start of the associated Capacity Commitment Period. If at any price, no capacity is offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, then the auctioneer shall include capacity from the associated Existing Generating Capacity Resource at that price, subject to any bids submitted and accepted in the qualification process for that Existing Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5. Bids submitted and accepted in the qualification process for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5 shall only be entered into the Forward Capacity Auction after the associated New Generating Capacity Resource is fully withdrawn (that is, the Forward Capacity Auction reaches a price at which the resource’s New Capacity Offer is zero capacity), and shall only then be subject to the reliability review described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.

(f) **Conditional Qualified New Resources.** Offers associated with a resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a Conditional Qualified New Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f)
shall be addressed in the Forward Capacity Auction in accordance with the provisions of this Section III.13.2.3.2(f). The Project Sponsor shall offer such a Conditional Qualified New Resource into the Forward Capacity Auction in the same manner and pursuant to the same rules as other New Generating Capacity Resources, as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(a). An offer from at most one resource at a Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location will be permitted to clear (receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction. As long as a positive quantity is offered at the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction by the resource having a higher queue priority at the Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f), then no capacity from the Conditional Qualified New Resource shall clear. If at any price greater than or equal to the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction, zero quantity is offered from the resource having higher queue priority at the Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location, as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f), then the auctioneer shall consider capacity offered from the Conditional Qualified New Resource in the determination of clearing, including the application of Section III.13.2.7.

(g) **Mechanics.** Offers and bids that may be submitted during a round of the Forward Capacity Auction must be received between the starting time and ending time of the round, as announced by the auctioneer in advance. The ISO at its sole discretion may authorize a participant in the auction to complete or correct its submission after the ending time of a round, but only if the participant can demonstrate to the ISO’s satisfaction that the participant was making reasonable efforts to complete a valid offer submission before the ending time of the round, and only if the ISO determines that allowing the completion or correction will not unreasonably disrupt the auction process. All decisions by the ISO concerning whether or not a participant may complete or correct a submission after the ending time of a round are final.

**III.13.2.3.3. Step 3: Determination of the Outcome of Each Round.**
The auctioneer shall use the offers and bids for the round as described in Section III.13.2.3.2 to determine the aggregate supply curves for the New England Control Area and for each modeled Capacity Zone included in the round.

The aggregate supply curve for the New England Control Area, the Total System Capacity, shall reflect at each price the sum of the following:
(1) the amount of capacity offered in all Capacity Zones modeled as import-constrained Capacity Zones at that price (excluding capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources);

(2) the amount of capacity offered in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone at that price (excluding capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources);

(3) for each Capacity Zone modeled as an export-constrained Capacity Zone, the lesser of:
   (i) the amount of capacity offered in the Capacity Zone at that price (including the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources for each interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area mapped to the export-constrained Capacity Zone up to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits), or;
   (ii) the amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at zero minus that price, and;

(4) for each interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area mapped to an import-constrained Capacity Zone or the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, the lesser of:
   (i) that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits), or;
   (ii) the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources.

In computing the Total System Capacity, capacity associated with any New Capacity Offer at any price greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price will not be included in the tally of total capacity at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for that Capacity Zone. On the basis of these aggregate supply curves, the auctioneer shall determine the outcome of the round for each modeled Capacity Zone as follows:

(a) **Import-Constrained Capacity Zones.**

For a Capacity Zone modeled as an import-constrained Capacity Zone, if either of the following two conditions is met during the round:

(1) the aggregate supply curve for the import-constrained Capacity Zone, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), equals or is less than the quantity
determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the difference between the End-of-Round Price and the price specified by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve (at a quantity no less than Total System Capacity at the Start-of-Round Price), or;

(2) the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone;

then the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Zone is concluded and such Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Capacity Clearing Price for that Capacity Zone shall be set at the greater of: (1) the sum of the price specified by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the amount of capacity equal to the total amount that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation in the import-constrained Capacity Zone, and the Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, or; (2) the highest price of any offer or bid for a resource in the Capacity Zone that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If neither of the two conditions above are met in the round, then the auctioneer shall publish the quantity of capacity in the Capacity Zone from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price, and that Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone.

If the Total System Capacity at the End-of-Round Price, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), and adjusted to include the additional supply in the import-constrained Capacity Zone that may be cleared at a higher price, equals or is less than the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve, then the Forward Capacity Auction for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone is concluded and the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.
The Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone shall be set at the highest price at which the Total System Capacity is less than or equal to the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If the Forward Capacity Auction for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone is not concluded then the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction, and the auctioneer shall publish the Total System Capacity at the End-of-Round Price, adjusted to include the additional supply in the import-constrained Capacity Zone that may be cleared at a higher price, less the amount of capacity determined by the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve at the End-of-Round Price, and also shall publish the quantity of capacity from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price.

(c) **Export-Constrained Capacity Zones.** For a Capacity Zone modeled as an export-constrained Capacity Zone, if both of the following two conditions are met during the round:

1. the aggregate supply curve for the export-constrained Capacity Zone, adjusted as necessary in accordance with Section III.13.2.6 (Capacity Rationing Rule), is equal to or less than the maximum amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at a price of zero, and;

2. the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone;

then the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Zone is concluded and such Capacity Zone will not be included in further rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction.

The Capacity Clearing Price for that Capacity Zone shall be set at the greater of: (1) the sum of the price specified by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at the amount of capacity equal to the total amount that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation in the export-constrained Capacity Zone, and the Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, or; (2) the highest price of any offer or bid for a resource in the Capacity Zone that is awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation, and subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.

If it is not the case that both of the two conditions above are satisfied in the round, then the auctioneer shall publish the quantity of excess supply in the export-constrained Capacity Zone at the End-of-Round Price (the amount of capacity offered at the End-of-Round Price in the export-
constrained Capacity Zone minus the maximum amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve at a price of zero) and the quantity of capacity in the Capacity Zone from Demand Resources by type at the End-of-Round Price, and that Capacity Zone will be included in the next round of the Forward Capacity Auction.

(d) **Treatment of Import Capacity.** Where the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is less than or equal to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the capacity offers from those resources shall be treated as capacity offers in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with that interface. Where the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is greater than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the following provisions shall apply (separately for each such interface):

(i) For purposes of determining which capacity offers from the New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface shall clear and at what price, the offers over the interface shall be treated in the descending-clock auction as if they comprised a separately-modeled export-constrained capacity zone, with an aggregate supply curve consisting of the offers from the New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface.

(ii) The amount of capacity offered over the interface that will be included in the aggregate supply curve of the modeled Capacity Zone associated with the interface shall be the lesser of the following two quantities: the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface; and the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF).

(iii) The Forward Capacity Auction for New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface is concluded when the following two conditions are both satisfied: the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resource and Existing Import Capacity Resources over the interface is less than or equal to the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-
TF); and the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with the interface.

(e) **Treatment of Export Capacity.** Any Export Bid or any Administrative Export De-List Bid that is used to export capacity through an export interface connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone from another Capacity Zone, or through an export interface connected to the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone from an export-constrained Capacity Zone in the Forward Capacity Auction will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the export interface that is identified in the Existing Capacity Qualification Package is located. The Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid clears in the Capacity Zone where the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid is modeled.

(i) Then the MW quantity equal to the relevant Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid from the resource associated with the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid will be de-listed in the Capacity Zone where the resource is located. If the export interface is connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone, the MW quantity procured will be in addition to the amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curve for the import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(ii) If the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid does not clear, then the resource associated with the Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid will not be de-listed in the Capacity Zone where the resource is located.

**III.13.2.3.4. Determination of Final Capacity Zones.**

(a) For all Forward Capacity Auctions up to and including the sixth Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2015), after the Forward Capacity Auction is concluded for all modeled Capacity Zones, the final set of distinct Capacity Zones that will be used for all purposes associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, shall be those having distinct Capacity Clearing Prices as a result of constraints between modeled Capacity Zones binding in the running of the Forward Capacity Auction. Where a modeled constraint does not bind in the Forward Capacity Auction, and as a result adjacent modeled Capacity Zones clear at the same Capacity Clearing Price, those modeled Capacity Zones shall be a single Capacity Zone used for all purposes of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals.
(b) For all Forward Capacity Auctions beginning with the seventh Forward Capacity Auction (for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016) the final set of distinct Capacity Zones that will be used for all purposes associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, including for the purposes of reconfiguration auctions and Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, shall be those described in Section III.12.4.

III.13.2.4. **Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price and the Cost of New Entry.**

The Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price is max \([1.6 \times \text{Net CONE}, \text{CONE}]\). References in this Section III.13 to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price shall mean the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for the Forward Capacity Auction associated with the relevant Capacity Commitment Period.

CONE for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2021 is $11.35/kW-month.

Net CONE for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2021 is $8.04/kW-month.

CONE and Net CONE shall be recalculated using updated data coincident with the recalculation of Offer Review Trigger Prices pursuant to Section III.A.21.1.2. Whenever these values are recalculated, the ISO will review the results of the recalculation with stakeholders and the new values will be filed with the Commission prior to the Forward Capacity Auction in which the new value is to apply.

Between recalculations, CONE and Net CONE will be adjusted for each Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.A.21.1.2(e). Prior to applying the annual adjustment for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2019, Net CONE will be reduced by $0.43/kW-month to reflect the elimination of the PER adjustment. The adjusted CONE and Net CONE values will be published on the ISO’s web site.

III.13.2.5. **Treatment of Specific Offer and Bid Types in the Forward Capacity Auction.**
III.13.2.5.1. Offers from New Generating Capacity Resources, New Import Capacity Resources, and New Demand Resources.

A New Capacity Offer (other than one from a Conditional Qualified New Resource) clears (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction if the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than or equal to the price specified in the offer, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6. An offer from a Conditional Qualified New Resource clears (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) in the Forward Capacity Auction, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6, if all of the following conditions are met: (i) the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than or equal to the price specified in the offer; (ii) capacity from that resource is considered in the determination of clearing as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(f); and (iii) such offer minimizes the costs for the associated Capacity Commitment Period, subject to Section III.13.2.7.7(c).

The amount of capacity that receives a Capacity Supply Obligation through the Forward Capacity Auction shall not exceed the quantity of capacity offered from the New Generating Capacity Resource, New Import Capacity Resource, or New Demand Resource at the Capacity Clearing Price.

III.13.2.5.2. Bids and Offers from Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources.

III.13.2.5.2.1. Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids.

(a) Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, a Permanent De-List Bid, Retirement De-List Bid or Proxy De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6.

(b) Unless the bid has been retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, if all or part of a resource with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid does not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation), the Lead Market Participant shall enter the uncleared portion of the bid into the qualification process for the following Forward Capacity Auction as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.
(c) If the Capacity Clearing Price is greater than the price specified in a de-list bid submitted by a Lead Market Participant that elected conditional treatment for the de-list bid pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b), and there is an associated Proxy De-List Bid that does not clear (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation), the resource will receive a Capacity Supply Obligation at the Capacity Clearing Price.

(d) The process by which the primary auction is cleared (but not the compilation of offers and bids pursuant to Sections III.13.2.3.1 and III.13.2.3.2) will be repeated after the substitution auction is completed if one of the following conditions is met: (1) if any Proxy De-List Bid entered as a result of a Lead Market Participant electing to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) does not clear (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process and retains some portion of its Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction; or (2) if any Proxy De-List Bid entered as a result of a Lead Market Participant electing conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) does not clear (receives a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process, the de-list bid submitted by the Lead Market Participant is at or above the Capacity Clearing Price, and the Proxy De-List Bid retains some portion of its Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction. The second run of the primary auction-clearing process: (i) excludes all Proxy De-List Bids, (ii) includes the offers and bids of resources compiled pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.2 that did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process but excluding the offers and bids, or portion thereof, associated with resources that acquired or shed a Capacity Supply Obligation in the substitution auction, and (iii) includes the capacity of resources, or portion thereof, that retain a Capacity Supply Obligation after the first run of the primary auction-clearing process and the substitution auction. The second run of the primary auction-clearing process shall not affect the Capacity Clearing Price of the Forward Capacity Auction (which is established by the first run of the primary auction-clearing process).

(e) Resources (other than those still subject to a multi-year Capacity Commitment Period election as described in Sections III.13.1.2.2.4 and III.13.1.4.2.2.5) that receive a Capacity Supply Obligation as a result of the first run of the primary auction-clearing process shall be paid the Capacity Clearing Price during the associated Capacity Commitment Period. Where the second run of the primary auction-clearing process procures additional capacity, the resulting price, paid during the associated Capacity Commitment Period (and subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods, as elected pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5) to the additionally procured capacity, shall be equal to or
greater than the adjusted price resulting from the first run of the primary auction-clearing process for that Capacity Zone.

III.13.2.5.2.2. **Static De-List Bids and Export Bids.**
Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.5, a Static De-List Bid or an Export Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6.

III.13.2.5.2.3. **Dynamic De-List Bids.**
A Dynamic De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) if the Capacity Clearing Price is less than or equal to the price specified in the bid, except possibly as a result of the Capacity Rationing Rule described in Section III.13.2.6. If more Dynamic De-List Bids are submitted at a price than are needed to clear the market, such Dynamic De-List Bids shall be cleared pro-rata, but in no case less than a resource’s Economic Minimum Limit.

III.13.2.5.2.4. **Administrative Export De-List Bids.**
An Administrative Export De-List Bid clears in the Forward Capacity Auction (does not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period) regardless of the Capacity Clearing Price.

III.13.2.5.2.5. **Reliability Review.**
The ISO shall review each Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Dynamic De-List Bid, and substitution auction demand bid to determine whether the capacity associated with that bid is needed for reliability reasons during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction; Proxy De-List Bids shall not be reviewed.

(a) The reliability review will be conducted in descending price order using the price as finalized during qualification or as otherwise directed by the Commission. Bids with the same price will be reviewed in the order that produces the least negative impact to reliability; where bids are the same price and provide the same impact to reliability, they will be reviewed based on their submission time. If bids with the same price are from a single generating station, they will be reviewed in an order that seeks to
provide (1) the least-cost solution under Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(d) and (2) the minimum aggregate quantity required for reliability from the generating station. The capacity shall be deemed needed for reliability reasons if the absence of the capacity would result in the violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria, or ISO New England System Rules. Bids shall only be rejected pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5 for the sole purpose of addressing a local reliability issue, and shall not be rejected solely on the basis that acceptance of the bid may result in the procurement of less capacity than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) or the Local Sourcing Requirement for a Capacity Zone.

(b) If a Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, or Dynamic De-List Bid would otherwise clear in the Forward Capacity Auction, but the ISO has determined that some or all of the capacity associated with the de-list bid is needed for reliability reasons, then the de-list bid having capacity needed for reliability will not clear in the Forward Capacity Auction. If the ISO has determined that some or all of the capacity associated with a demand bid is needed for reliability reasons, then the entire demand bid will not be included in the substitution auction.

(c) The Lead Market Participant shall be notified that its bid did not clear for reliability reasons at the later of: (i) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the auction price reaches the price of the de-list bid; or (ii) as soon as practicable after the time at which the ISO has determined that the bid must be rejected for reliability reasons. In no event, however, shall a Lead Market Participant be notified that a bid submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.5 and accepted in the qualification process for an Existing Generating Capacity Resource did not clear for reliability reasons if the associated New Generating Capacity Resource remains in the Forward Capacity Auction. In such a case, the Lead Market Participant shall be notified that its bid did not clear for reliability reasons at the later of: (i) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the auction price reaches the price of the bid; (ii) immediately after the end of the Forward Capacity Auction round in which the associated New Generating Capacity Resource is fully withdrawn (that is, the Forward Capacity Auction reaches a price at which the resource’s New Capacity Offer is zero capacity); or (iii) as soon as practicable after the time at which the ISO has determined that the bid must be rejected for reliability reasons.

(d) A resource that has a de-list bid rejected for reliability reasons shall be compensated pursuant to the terms set out in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 and shall have a Capacity Supply Obligation as described in Section III.13.6.1.
(e) The ISO shall review the results of each annual reconfiguration auction and determine whether the reliability need which caused the ISO to reject the de-list bid has been met through the annual reconfiguration auction. The ISO may also attempt to address the reliability concern through other reasonable means (including transmission enhancements).

(f) If the reliability need that caused the ISO to reject a de-list bid is met through a reconfiguration auction or other means, the resource shall retain its Capacity Supply Obligation through the end of the Capacity Commitment Period for which it was retained for reliability (provided that resources that have Permanent De-List Bids or Retirement De-List Bids rejected for reliability shall be permanently de-listed or retired as of the first day of the subsequent Capacity Commitment Period (or earlier if the resource sheds the entirety of the Capacity Supply Obligation as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii) or Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(ii))).

(g) If a Permanent De-List Bid or a Retirement De-List Bid is rejected for reliability reasons, and the reliability need is not met through a reconfiguration auction or other means, that resource, or portion thereof, as applicable, is no longer eligible to participate as an Existing Capacity Resource in any reconfiguration auction, Forward Capacity Auction or Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for that and subsequent Capacity Commitment Periods. If the resource, or portion thereof, continues to be needed for reliability reasons, it shall be counted as capacity in the Forward Capacity Auction and shall be compensated as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1.

(h) The ISO shall review with the Reliability Committee (i) the status of any prior rejected de-list bids reported to the Commission in an FCA results filing pursuant to Section 13.8.2, and (ii) the status of any Retirement De-List Bid or Permanent De-List Bid that has been rejected for reliability reasons and has elected to continue to operate, prior to the New Capacity Qualification Deadline in accordance with Section 4.1(c) of Attachment K of the ISO OATT.

If an identified reliability need results in the rejection of a Retirement De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Static De-List Bid, or Dynamic De-List Bid while executing an FCA, the ISO shall (i) review each specific reliability need with the Reliability Committee in accordance with the timing provided for in the ISO New England Operating Documents and, (ii) update the current system Needs Assessments pursuant to Section 4.1(c) of Attachment K of the
ISO OATT. This review and update will follow ISO’s filing of the FCA results with the Commission pursuant to Section 13.8.2.

III.13.2.5.2.5.1. **Compensation for Bids Rejected for Reliability Reasons.**

(a) In cases where a Static De-List Bid, Export Bid, Administrative Export De-List Bid, Dynamic De-List Bid, partial Permanent De-List Bid, or partial Retirement De-List Bid has been rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, the resource will be paid by the ISO in the same manner as all other capacity resources, except that payment shall be made on the basis of its de-list bid as accepted for the Forward Capacity Auction for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period instead of the Forward Capacity Market Clearing Price. Under this Section, accepted Dynamic De-List Bids filed with the Commission as part of the FCA results filing are subject to review and approval by the Commission pursuant to the “just and reasonable” standard of Section 205 of the Federal Power Act. If a resource with a partial Permanent De-List Bid or partial Retirement De-List Bid continues to be needed for reliability in Capacity Commitment Periods following the Capacity Commitment Period for which the partial Permanent De-List Bid or partial Retirement De-List Bid was rejected, payment will continue to be pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(a).

(b) In cases where a Permanent De-List Bid or a Retirement De-List Bid for the capacity of an entire resource has been rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, the resource will be paid either (i) in the same manner as all other capacity resources, except that payment shall be made on the basis of its Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period instead of the Forward Capacity Market Clearing Price or (ii) under the terms of a cost-of-service agreement pursuant to Section III, Appendix I. Resources must notify the ISO of their election within six months after the ISO files the results of the relevant Forward Capacity Auction with the Commission. A resource that has had a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid rejected for reliability reasons and does not notify the ISO of its election as described in this paragraph will be paid on the basis of the resource’s Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid. Cost-of-service agreements must be filed with and approved by the Commission, and cost-of-service compensation may not commence until the Commission has approved the use of cost-of-service rates for the unit in question or has accepted the use of the cost-of-service rates subject to refund while the rate is reviewed. In no event will payment under the cost-of-service agreement start prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was submitted. If a resource continues to be needed for reliability in Capacity Commitment Periods following the Capacity
Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was rejected, payment will continue to be pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(b). Resources that elect payment based on the Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid or Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid may file with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act to update its Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid if the unit is retained for reliability for a period longer than the Capacity Commitment Period for which the Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid was originally submitted.

(c) The difference between payments based on resource de-list bids or cost-of-service compensation as detailed in this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 and payments based on the market clearing price for the Forward Capacity Market under this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1 shall be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region.

(d) Compensation for Existing Generating Capacity Resources at Stations with Common Costs that are Retained for Reliability. If a Static De-List Bid, Permanent De-List Bid, or Retirement De-List Bid from an Existing Generating Capacity Resource that is associated with a Station having Common Costs is rejected for reliability reasons, the Existing Generating Capacity Resource will be paid as follows: (i) if one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources at the Station assume a Capacity Supply Obligation through the normal clearing of the Forward Capacity Auction and one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources are retained for reliability, then the Existing Generating Capacity Resources retained for reliability will be paid the sum of the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for the assets comprising that Existing Generating Capacity Resource; or (ii) if no Existing Generating Capacity Resources at the Station assumes a Capacity Supply Obligation through the normal clearing of the Forward Capacity Auction and one or more Existing Generating Capacity Resources are retained for reliability, then each Existing Generating Capacity Resource retained for reliability will be paid the sum of the Asset-Specific Going Forward Costs for the assets associated with that Existing Generating Capacity Resource plus a portion of the Station Going Forward Common Costs (such that the full amount of Station Going Forward Common Costs are allocated to the Existing Generating Capacity Resources retained for reliability).

III.13.2.5.2.5.2. Incremental Cost of Reliability Service From Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid Resources.

In cases where an Existing Generating Capacity Resource or Existing Demand Resource has had a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid for the entire resource rejected for reliability reasons
pursuant to Sections III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1 or III.13.2.5.2.5, does not elect to retire pursuant to Section
III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1(d), and must make a capital improvement to the unit to remain in operation in order to
continue to operate to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO, the resource may make application
to the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act to receive just and reasonable
compensation of the capital investment pursuant to the following:

(a) **Notice to State Utility Commissions, the ISO and Stakeholder Committees of Expectation**
that a Capital Expense will be Necessary to Meet the Reliability Need Identified by the ISO: A
resource seeking to avail itself of the recovery mechanism provided in this Section must notify the state
utility commissions in the states where rate payers will fund the capital improvement, the ISO, and the
Participants Committee of its intent to make the capital expenditure and the need for the expenditure. This
notification must be made at least 120 days prior to the resource making the capital expenditure.

(b) **Required Showing Made to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission:** In order to receive
just and reasonable compensation for a capital expenditure under this Section, a resource must file an
explanation of need with the Commission that explains why the capital expenditure is necessary in order
to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO. This showing must demonstrate that the expenditure is
reasonably determined to be the least-cost commercially reasonable option consistent with Good Utility
Practice to meet the reliability need identified by the ISO. If the resource elects cost-of-service treatment
pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.1(b), the Incremental Cost of Reliability Service filing described in this
Section must be made separately from and may be made in advance of the resource’s cost-of-service
filing.

(c) **Allocation:** Costs of capital expenditures approved by the Commission under this provision shall
be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region.

III.13.2.5.2.5.3. **Retirement and Permanent De-Listing of Resources.**

(a)(i) A resource, or portion thereof, will be retired coincident with the commencement of the Capacity
Commitment Period for which the Retirement De-List Bid was submitted, or earlier as described in
Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii), if the resource: submitted a Retirement De-List Bid that was not included
in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5(d); elected to retire pursuant to
Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; was
subject to conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) for a Retirement De-List Bid with a
submitted price at or above the Capacity Clearing Price and was not retained for reliability pursuant to
Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; had a Commission-approved Retirement De-List Bid clear in the Forward Capacity Auction; or, for a resource, or portion thereof, that submitted a Permanent De-List Bid, elected to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1. In the case of a Retirement De-List Bid rejected for reliability, if the reliability need that resulted in the rejection for reliability is met, the resource, or portion thereof, will be retired coincident with the end of Capacity Supply Obligation (or earlier as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(ii)) unless the Commission directs that the obligation to retire be removed or the retirement date extended as part of an Incremental Cost of Reliability Service filing made pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.2. The interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource, or portion thereof, will be converted to retired on the date of retirement, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT.

(a)(ii) A resource, or portion thereof, that is to be retired pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(a)(i) may retire the resource, or portion thereof, earlier than the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Retirement De-List Bid was submitted if it is able to transfer the relevant Capacity Supply Obligation of the resource to another resource through one or more approved Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral transactions as described in Section III.13.5.1 or reconfiguration auctions as described in Section III.13.4.1. A resource, or portion thereof, electing to retire pursuant to this provision must notify the ISO in writing of its election to retire and the date of retirement. The interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource, or portion thereof, will be converted to retired on the date of retirement, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT.

(b)(i) A resource, or portion thereof, will be permanently de-listed from the Forward Capacity Market as of the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Permanent De-List Bid was submitted, or earlier as described in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(ii), if the resource: submitted a Permanent De-List Bid that was not included in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5(d); was subject to conditional treatment pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(b) for a Permanent De-List Bid with a submitted price at or above the Capacity Clearing Price and was not retained for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.3.1.5.1; or had a Commission-approved Permanent De-List Bid clear in the Forward Capacity Auction. The CNR Capability interconnection rights, or relevant portion thereof, for the resource will be adjusted downward to reflect the Permanent De-List Bid, consistent with the provisions of Schedules 22 and 23 of the OATT. A resource that permanently de-lists pursuant to this Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(i) is precluded from subsequent participation in the Forward Capacity Market unless it qualifies as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2.
(b)(ii) A resource, or portion thereof, that is to be permanently de-listed pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(b)(i) may be permanently de-listed earlier than the Capacity Commitment Period for which its Permanent De-List Bid was submitted if it is able to transfer the entire Capacity Supply Obligation of the resource to another resource through one or more approved Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral transactions as described in Section III.13.5.1 or reconfiguration auctions as described in Section III.13.4.

(c) A resource that has never been counted as a capacity resource may retire the asset by notifying the ISO in writing of its election to retire and the date of retirement. The date specified for retirement is subject to the limit for resource inactivity set out in Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3(d). The interconnection rights for the resource will terminate and the status of the resource will be converted to retired on the date of retirement.

(d) A resource that does not operate commercially for a period of three calendar years will be deemed by the ISO to be retired. The interconnection rights for the unit will terminate and the status of the unit will be converted to retired on the date of retirement. Where a generator has submitted an application to repower under Schedule 22 or 23 of the OATT, the current interconnection space will be maintained beyond the three years unless the application under Schedule 22 or 23 is withdrawn voluntarily or by the operation of those provisions. Where an application is withdrawn under Schedule 22 or 23, the three year period will be calculated from the last day of commercial operation of the resource.

Except for Dynamic De-List Bids, Export Bids, and offers from New Import Capacity Resources that are subject to rationing pursuant to Section III.13.1.3.5.8 and Existing Import Capacity Resources that are subject to rationing pursuant to Section III.13.1.3.3.A, offers and bids in the Forward Capacity Auction must clear or not clear in whole, unless the offer or bid specifically indicates that it may be rationed. A resource may elect to be rationed to either its Economic Minimum Limit or a level above its Economic Minimum Limit. These levels are submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.3. Offers from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources will not be rationed where such rationing would violate any applicable physical minimum flow requirements on the associated interface. Export Bids may elect to be rationed generally, but regardless of such election will always be subject to potential rationing where the associated external interface binds. If more Dynamic De-List Bids are submitted at a
price than are needed to clear the market, the bids shall be cleared pro-rata, subject to honoring the Economic Minimum Limit of the resources. Where an offer or bid may be rationed, such rationing may not result in procuring an amount of capacity that is below the associated resource’s Economic Minimum Limit.

III.13.2.7. Determination of Capacity Clearing Prices.
The Capacity Clearing Price in each Capacity Zone shall be the price established by the descending clock auction as described in Section III.13.2.3, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2. The Capacity Clearing Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone and the Capacity Clearing Price for each import-constrained Capacity Zone shall not exceed the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price. The Capacity Clearing Price for an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be less than zero.

III.13.2.7.1. Import-Constrained Capacity Zone Capacity Clearing Price Floor.
The Capacity Clearing Price in an import-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be lower than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. If after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted, the Capacity Clearing Price in an import-constrained Capacity Zone is less than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, all resources clearing in the import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be paid based on the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone during the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.2.7.2. Export-Constrained Capacity Zone Capacity Clearing Price Ceiling.
The Capacity Clearing Price in an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall not be higher than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. If after the Forward Capacity Auction is conducted, the Capacity Clearing Price in an export-constrained Capacity Zone is higher than the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone, all resources clearing in the export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be paid based on the Capacity Clearing Price in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone during the associated Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.2.7.3. Capacity Clearing Price Floor.
In the Forward Capacity Auctions for the Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2013, June 1, 2014, June 1, 2015, and June 1, 2016 only, the following additional provisions regarding the Capacity Clearing Price shall apply in all Capacity Zones (and in the application of Section III.13.2.3.3(d)(iii)):

(a) [Reserved.]
(b) The Capacity Clearing Price shall not fall below 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 below $3.15). Where the Capacity Clearing Price reaches 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 reaches $3.15), offers shall be prorated such that no more than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) is procured in the Forward Capacity Auction, as follows:

(i) The total payment to all listed capacity resources during the associated Capacity Commitment Period shall be equal to 0.6 times CONE (or in the case of the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period beginning June 1, 2016 shall be equal to $3.15) times the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) applicable in the Forward Capacity Auction.

(ii) Payments to individual listed resources shall be prorated based on the total number of MWs of capacity clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction (receiving a Capacity Supply Obligation for the associated Capacity Commitment Period).

(iii) Suppliers may instead prorate their bid MWs of participation in the Forward Capacity Market by partially de-listing one or more resources. Regardless of any such proration, the full amount of capacity that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction will be ineligible for treatment as new capacity in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions (except as provided under Section III.13.1.1.1.2).

(iv) Any proration shall be subject to reliability review. Where proration is rejected for reliability reasons, the resource’s payment shall not be prorated as described in subsection (ii) above, and the difference between its actual payment based on the Capacity Clearing Price and what its payment would have been had prorationing not been rejected for reliability reasons shall be allocated to Regional Network Load within the affected Reliability Region. In this case, the total payment described in subsection (i) above will increase accordingly.

(v) Any election to prorate bid MWs associated with a New Capacity Offer that clears in the Forward Capacity Auction shall also apply in subsequent Forward Capacity Auctions for Capacity Commitment Periods for which the Project Sponsor elected to have the Capacity Supply
Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price continue to apply pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4 or Section III.13.1.4.2.2.5.

III.13.2.7.3A. Treatment of Imports.
At the Capacity Clearing Price, if the amount of capacity offered from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources over an interface between an external Control Area and the New England Control Area is greater than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF):

(a) the full amount of capacity offered at that price from Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) shall clear, unless that amount of capacity is greater than the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), in which case the capacity offered at that price from Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) shall be rationed such that the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) is not exceeded; and

(b) if there is space remaining over the interface after the allocation described in subsection (a) above, then the capacity offered at that price from New Import Capacity Resources and Existing Import Capacity Resources other than Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with the contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) will be rationed such that the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) is not exceeded. If the capacity offered at that price by any single New Import Capacity Resource or Existing Import Capacity Resource that is not associated with the contracts listed in Section III.13.1.3.3(c) is greater than the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the capacity offered by that resource that is above the interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF) shall not be included in the rationing.

III.13.2.7.4. Effect of Capacity Rationing Rule on Capacity Clearing Price.
Where the requirement that offers and bids clear or not clear in whole (Section III.13.2.6) prohibits the descending clock auction in its normal progression from clearing one or more Capacity Zones at the precise amount of capacity determined by the Capacity Zone Demand Curves specified in Section III.13.2.2, then the auctioneer shall analyze the aggregate supply curve to determine cleared capacity.
offers and Capacity Clearing Prices that seek to maximize social surplus for the associated Capacity Commitment Period. The clearing algorithm may result in offers below the Capacity Clearing Price not clearing, and in de-list bids below the Capacity Clearing Price clearing.

### III.13.2.7.5. Effect of Decremental Repowerings on the Capacity Clearing Price.

Where the effect of accounting for certain repowering offers and bids (as described in Section III.13.2.3.2(e)) results in the auction not clearing at the lowest price for the required quantity of capacity, then the auctioneer will conduct additional auction rounds of the Forward Capacity Auction as necessary to minimize capacity costs.

### III.13.2.7.6. Minimum Capacity Award.

Each offer (excluding offers from Conditional Qualified New Resources that do not satisfy the conditions specified in Sections III.13.2.5.1(i)-(iii)) clearing in the Forward Capacity Auction shall be awarded a Capacity Supply Obligation at least as great as the amount of capacity offered at the End-of-Round Price in the final round of the Forward Capacity Auction. For Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources, the Capacity Supply Obligation for months in the winter period (as described in Section III.13.1.5) shall be adjusted based on its winter Qualified Capacity as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6 and Section III.13.1.2.2.2.

### III.13.2.7.7. Tie-Breaking Rules.

Where the provisions in this Section III.13.2 for clearing the Forward Capacity Auction (system-wide or in a single Capacity Zone) result in a tie – that is, where two or more resources offer sufficient capacity at prices that would clear the auction at the same minimum costs – the auctioneer shall apply the following rules (in sequence, as necessary) to determine clearing:

(a) [Reserved.]

(b) If multiple projects may be rationed, they will be rationed proportionately.

(c) Where clearing either the offer associated with a resource with a higher queue priority at a Conditional Qualified New Resource’s location or the offer associated with the Conditional Qualified New Resource would result in equal costs, the offer associated with the resource with the higher queue priority shall clear.
(d) The offer associated with the Project Sponsor having the lower market share in the capacity auction (including Existing Generating Capacity Resources, Existing Import Capacity Resources, and Existing Demand Resources) shall be cleared.


III.13.2.8.1. Administration of Substitution Auctions.

Following the completion of the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction as provided for in Section III.13.2, the ISO shall conduct a substitution auction, using a static double auction to clear supply offers (offers to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation) and demand bids (bids to shed a Capacity Supply Obligation). Supply offers and demand bids will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the associated resources are electrically interconnected.


The substitution auction shall maximize total social surplus as specified by the demand bids and supply offers used in the auction. The maximization is constrained as follows:

(i) By the external interface limits modeled in the primary auction-clearing process.

(ii) Such that the net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero.

(iii) Such that, for each import-constrained Capacity Zone, if the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction is less than the zone threshold quantity specified below, then the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero; otherwise, the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is greater than or equal to the zone threshold quantity specified below.

(iv) Such that, for each export-constrained Capacity Zone, if the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction is greater than the zone threshold quantity specified below, then the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is equal to zero; otherwise, the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations awarded...
Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is less than or equal to the zone threshold quantity specified below.

In applying constraint (iii), the zone threshold quantity for an import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be equal to the sum of its Capacity Zone Demand Curve truncation point quantity specified in Section III.13.2.2.2 and the total quantity of any Export Bids and any Administrative Export De-List for which the exporting resource is located outside the import-constrained Capacity Zone, that are used to export capacity across an external interface connected to the import-constrained Capacity Zone, and that cleared in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction.

In applying constraint (iv), the zone threshold quantity for an export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be equal to its Capacity Zone Demand Curve truncation point quantity specified in Section III.13.2.2.3 less the total quantity of any Export Bids and any Administrative Export De-List Bids for which the exporting resource is located in the export-constrained Capacity Zone, that are used to export capacity across an external interface connected to either the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone or an import-constrained Capacity Zone, and that cleared in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction.

In applying constraints (iii) and (iv), a zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction shall include the Capacity Supply Obligations of Import Capacity Resources at each external interface connected to the Capacity Zone.

In cases in which there are multiple clearing outcomes that would each maximize the substitution auction’s objective, the following tie-breaking rules will apply in the following sequence: (i) non-rationable demand bids associated with Lead Market Participants having the largest total FCA Qualified Capacity of Existing Capacity Resources will be cleared first; and (ii) rationable supply offers and demand bids associated with Proxy De-List Bids will be cleared in proportion to their offer or bid quantity.

For Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources, other than those participating as the summer resource in a Composite FCM Transaction, the cleared award for supply offers and demand bids shall be adjusted for the months in the winter period (as described in Section III.13.1.5) using the ratio of the resource’s cleared offer or bid amount divided by its FCA Qualified Capacity multiplied by its winter Qualified Capacity as determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.2.6.
and Section III.13.1.2.2. Provided the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity is not zero, the pro-rata adjustment will add to the amount of the cleared offer or bid award for the months in the winter period.

The cleared offer amount awarded to a Composite FCM Transaction in the substitution auction will be assigned to the summer and winter resources for their respective obligation months during the Capacity Commitment Period as described in Section III.13.1.5.

If, after the substitution auction, a resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation below its Economic Minimum Limit, it must meet the requirements of Section III.13.6.1.1.1.

**III.13.2.8.1.2. Substitution Auction Pricing.**

The substitution auction will specify clearing prices for Capacity Zones and external interfaces as follows.

For each import-constrained Capacity Zone, if the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is greater than its zone threshold quantity specified in Section III.13.2.8.1.1, then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction in the import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be treated as offers and bids in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

For each export-constrained Capacity Zone, if the sum of the zone’s total Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary auction-clearing process of the Forward Capacity Auction and the zone’s net cleared Capacity Supply Obligations (total acquired less total shed) in the substitution auction is less than its zone threshold quantity specified in Section III.13.2.8.1.1, then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction in the export-constrained Capacity Zone shall be treated as offers and bids in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

The substitution auction clearing prices for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone and for any constrained zones pooled with the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for pricing purposes shall be determined by the price of the demand bid or supply offer that is marginal. If a demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal, then the substitution auction clearing prices shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Prices.

The substitution auction clearing price for a constrained Capacity Zone that is not pooled with the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone for pricing purposes shall be determined by the price of the demand bid or supply offer associated with the separately-priced constrained Capacity Zone that is marginal. If a demand bid
associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal, then the substitution auction clearing price shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Price.

If the net quantity of Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary Forward Capacity Auction and substitution auction over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is less than that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction at the interface shall be treated as offers and bids in the modeled Capacity Zone associated with that interface for purposes of determining substitution auction clearing prices.

If the net quantity of Capacity Supply Obligations awarded in the primary Forward Capacity Auction and substitution auction over an interface between the New England Control Area and an external Control Area is equal to that interface’s approved capacity transfer limit (net of tie benefits, or net of HQICC in the case of the Phase I/II HVDC-TF), then the substitution auction clearing price for that interface will be determined by the demand bid or supply offer that is marginal at that interface. If a cleared demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal at the external interface, then the substitution auction clearing price for that interface shall be set equal to the Capacity Clearing Price for that interface.

The substitution auction clearing price at an external interface shall not exceed the substitution auction clearing price in the Capacity Zone connected to the external interface.

If, pursuant to the rules specified above, the substitution auction clearing price for any Capacity Zone or external interface would exceed the Capacity Clearing Price for that location, the substitution auction clearing price for that location only is set equal to its Capacity Clearing Price.

The substitution auction clearing price for any Capacity Zone or external interface cannot be less than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.8.2. Supply Offers in the Substitution Auction.

III.13.2.8.2.1. Supply Offers.

To participate as supply in the substitution auction, a Project Sponsor for a New Capacity Resource must meet the following criteria:
(a) The Project Sponsor and the New Capacity Resource must meet all the requirements for participation in the Forward Capacity Auction specified in Section III.13.1.

(b) The Project Sponsor must elect to have the resource participate in the substitution auction during the New Capacity Show of Interest Window. Pursuant to an election, the resource’s total amount of FCA Qualified Capacity will be obligated to participate in the substitution auction, regardless of whether the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity was prorated pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.10, and subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.8.2.

(c) The Project Sponsor must certify that the New Capacity Resource is a Sponsored Policy Resource as part of the submission of the New Capacity Qualification Package.

Substitution auction supply offers are rationable.

A resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction as a New Generating Capacity Resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 (resources previously counted as capacity resources) is not eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction.

A Composite FCM Transaction comprised of a summer resource that is a Sponsored Policy Resource is eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction.

A Conditional Qualified New Resource may participate in the substitution auction provided that the resource with which it has overlapping interconnection impacts: (i) did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation, fully or partially, in the primary auction-clearing process, and: (ii) is not eligible to participate in the substitution auction. A resource having a higher priority in the queue than a Conditional Qualified New Resource with which it has overlapping interconnection impact may participate in the substitution auction provided that the Conditional Qualified New Resource did not receive a Capacity Supply Obligation, fully or partially, in the primary auction-clearing process.

III.13.2.8.2.2. Supply Offer Prices.

Project Sponsors must submit substitution auction supply offer prices no later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources.
A substitution auction supply offer must be in the form of a curve (with up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may not decrease in quantity as the price increases. A supply offer price for the substitution auction may not be greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price or lower than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

If the offer quantity does not equal the resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity, the quantity for which no offer price was submitted will be assigned a price equal to the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.8.2.3. Supply Offers Entered into the Substitution Auction

Supply offers for resources that satisfy all of the criteria in Section III.13.2.8.2.1 to participate in the substitution auction may be adjusted prior to conducting the substitution auction-clearing process using the following adjustments:

(a) Any portion of a resource’s FCA Qualified Capacity that was cleared (received a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the primary auction-clearing process will be removed from the resource’s substitution auction supply offer beginning with the lowest priced price-quantity pairs.

(b) After performing the adjustment specified in Section III.13.2.8.2.3(a), any price-quantity pairs in a resource’s substitution auction supply offer with a price greater than the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface are removed from the offer.

III.13.2.8.3. Demand Bids in the Substitution Auction.

III.13.2.8.3.1. Demand Bids.

Market Participants with Existing Generating Capacity Resources or Existing Import Capacity Resources associated with External Elective Transmission Upgrades may elect to submit demand bids for the substitution auction for those resources by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline. The election must specify the total amount of the resource’s Qualified Capacity that will be associated with its demand bid.

A resource must have achieved all of the milestones specified in Section III.13.1.1.2.2. no later than seven days after the issuance by the ISO of the qualification determination notification described in Section III.13.1.2.4(b) in order to participate as demand in the substitution auction.
Regardless of whether an election is made, a demand bid is required for any portion of a resource that is associated with a Retirement De-List Bid.

A resource for which a demand bid election has been made cannot participate in a Composite FCM Transaction and cannot be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource.

Demand bids are non-rationable.

A demand bid will be entered into the substitution auction for the portion of the resource that receives a Capacity Supply Obligation in the primary auction-clearing process, subject to the other provisions of this Section III.13.2.8.3. A resource, or portion thereof, associated with a cleared demand bid shall be retired from all New England Markets (except that a resource, or portion thereof, associated with a cleared demand bid that is associated with a Proxy De-List Bid and a Permanent De-List Bid which has not been elected to retire pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1(a) shall be retired only from the capacity market) at the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction.

III.13.2.8.3.2. Demand Bid Prices.
Market Participants must submit substitution auction demand bid prices no later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources.

A substitution auction demand bid must be in the form of a curve (with up to five price-quantity pairs). The curve may not decrease in quantity as the price decreases. A demand bid price for the substitution auction may not be greater than the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price or lower than negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

If the bid quantity does not equal the total bid amount submitted by the Market Participant or required for a Retirement De-List Bid pursuant to Section III.13.2.8.3.1, the quantity for which no bid price was specified will be assigned a price equal to negative one multiplied by the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

III.13.2.8.3.3. Demand Bids Entered into the Substitution Auction.
If a resource is determined to be needed for reliability pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, then any demand bid associated with the resource will not be included in the substitution auction.
Demand bids for resources that satisfy all of the criteria in Section III.13.2.8.3.1 to participate in the substitution auction may be adjusted prior to conducting the substitution auction-clearing process using the following adjustments:

(a) Any portion of a resource’s demand bid that exceeds its Capacity Supply Obligation awarded in the primary auction-clearing process will be removed from the substitution auction demand bid beginning with the highest priced price-quantity pairs.

(b) After performing the modification specified in Section III.13.2.8.3.3(a), any price-quantity pairs in a resource’s substitution auction demand bid with a price greater than the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface will have its price reduced to the Capacity Clearing Price for the resource’s Capacity Zone or external interface.

Except as provided in Section III.13.2.5.2.1(c), a rationable demand bid will be entered into the substitution auction on behalf of any Proxy De-List Bid associated with a Permanent De-List Bid or Retirement De-List Bid. The demand bid quantity will equal the portion of the Proxy De-List Bid that was not cleared (received a Capacity Supply Obligation) in the first run of the primary auction-clearing process. The demand bid will have priority to clear before non-rationable demand bids.
III.13.4. Reconfiguration Auctions.

For each Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct annual and monthly reconfiguration auctions as described in this Section III.13.4. Reconfiguration auctions only permit the trading of Capacity Supply Obligations; load obligations are not traded in reconfiguration auctions. Each reconfiguration auction shall use a static double auction (respecting the interface limits and capacity requirements modeled as specified in Sections III.13.4.5 and III.13.4.7) to clear supply offers (i.e., offers to assume a Capacity Supply Obligation) and demand bids (i.e., bids to shed a Capacity Supply Obligation) for each Capacity Zone included in the reconfiguration auction. Supply offers and demand bids will be modeled in the Capacity Zone where the associated resources are electrically interconnected. Resources that are able to meet the requirements in other Capacity Zones shall be allowed to clear to meet such requirements, subject to the constraints modeled in the auction.

III.13.4.1. Capacity Zones Included in Reconfiguration Auctions.

Each reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period shall include each of, and only, the final Capacity Zones and external interfaces as determined through the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, as described in Section III.13.2.3.4.

III.13.4.2. Participation in Reconfiguration Auctions.

Each supply offer and demand bid in a reconfiguration auction must be associated with a specific resource, and must satisfy the requirements of this Section III.13.4.2. All resource types may submit supply offers and demand bids in reconfiguration auctions, except Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources which may only submit demand bids. In accordance with Section III.A.9.2 of Appendix A of this Market Rule 1, supply offers and demand bids submitted for reconfiguration auctions shall not be subject to mitigation by the Internal Market Monitor. A supply offer or demand bid submitted for a reconfiguration auction shall not be limited by the associated resource’s Economic Minimum Limit. Offers composed of separate resources may not participate in reconfiguration auctions. Participation in any reconfiguration auction is conditioned on full compliance with the applicable financial assurance requirements as provided in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy at the time of the offer and bid deadline. For annual reconfiguration auctions, the offer and bid deadline will be announced by the ISO no later than 30 days prior to that deadline. No later than 15 days before the offer and bid deadline for an annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall notify each resource of the amount of capacity that it may offer or bid in that auction, as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2. For monthly reconfiguration auctions, the offer and bid deadline will be announced by the ISO no later than 10
Business Days prior to that deadline. Upon issuance of the monthly bilateral results for the associated obligation month, the ISO shall notify each resource of the amount of capacity that it may offer or bid in that monthly auction, as calculated pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2. For monthly reconfiguration auctions in which the most recently approved Winter Seasonal Claimed Capability established as of the fifth Business Day in June of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period is greater than the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity for the third annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall apply the greater of these two values to offer limits starting with the first monthly reconfiguration auction in the winter delivery period for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability.

III.13.4.2.1. Supply Offers.
Submission of supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be governed by this Section III.13.4.2.1. All supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be submitted by the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant, and shall specify the resource, the amount of capacity offered in MW, and the price, in dollars per kW/month. In no case may capacity associated with a Retirement De-List Bid or a Permanent De-List Bid that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction, or a demand bid that cleared in a substitution auction, for a Capacity Commitment Period be offered in a reconfiguration auction for that, or any subsequent, Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof. In no case may capacity associated with an Export Bid or an Administrative Export De-List Bid that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period be offered in a reconfiguration auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof.

III.13.4.2.1.1. Amount of Capacity That May Be Submitted in a Supply Offer in an Annual Reconfiguration Auction.
For each month of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall calculate the difference between the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity, as applicable, and the amount of capacity from that resource that is already subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for the month. The minimum of these 12 values shall be the amount of capacity up to which a resource may submit a supply offer in the annual reconfiguration auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2. Calculation of Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
III.13.4.2.1.2.1. First Annual Reconfiguration Auction and Second Annual Reconfiguration Auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1. Generating Capacity Resources Other than Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the higher of the resource’s summer Qualified Capacity as calculated for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and any summer Seasonal Claimed Capability values for summer periods completed after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period and before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and where the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.1.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):
(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the higher of the resource’s winter Qualified Capacity as calculated for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and any winter Seasonal Claimed Capability values for winter periods completed after the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline for the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period and before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and where the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2. Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.
III.13.4.2.1.2.2.  Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.1.2.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.3.  Import Capacity Resources Backed By an External Control Area.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to its summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.3.1.  Import Capacity Resources Backed by One or More External Resources.

For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources shall be the greater of:

(a) the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period; and
(b) the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October and, if submitted for a New Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources, also subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(b), III.13.1.3.5.2, and III.13.3.1.1 and the relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4. Demand Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.1.4.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the first and second annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which
the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.  Third Annual Reconfiguration Auction.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.  Generating Capacity Resources other than Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.1.  Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s summer Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed summer period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.2.  Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Generating Capacity Resource that is not an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):
(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the resource’s winter Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed winter period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2. Intermittent Power Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.

For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of its most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity and its summer Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently competed summer period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.1(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Intermittent Power Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below, limited, as applicable, by the resource’s CNR Capability and any relevant overlapping interconnection impacts as described in Section III.13.1.2.3(f):

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of its most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity and its winter Seasonal Claimed Capability value in effect after the most recently completed winter period. The amount of capacity described in this Section III.13.4.2.1.2.2.2.2(a) shall be zero, however, where the resource cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period as a new resource pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2 and the project has not become commercial.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3. Import Capacity Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3.1 Import Capacity Resources Backed by an External Control Area.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to the lesser of its summer Qualified Capacity as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October. For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource shall be equal to the lesser of its winter Qualified Capacity as determined for the Forward Capacity Auction for that Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.3.2. Import Capacity Resources Backed by One or More External Resources.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of an Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources shall be the lesser of:

(a) the summer Qualified Capacity and winter Qualified Capacity, respectively, as determined by the most recent Forward Capacity Auction that does not reflect a change to the Import Capacity Resource applicable to that Capacity Commitment Period; and

(b) the amount of capacity available to back the import, if submitted by the Lead Market Participant and approved by the ISO by the fifth Business Day in October and, if submitted for a New Import Capacity Resource backed by one or more External Resources, also subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Sections III.13.1.3.5.1(b), III.13.1.3.5.2, and III.13.3.1.1 and the relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.4. Demand Resources.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.4.1. Summer ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Summer ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of: (i) its most recently-determined summer Qualified Capacity and (ii) its summer Seasonal DR Audit value in effect after the most recently completed summer season or its Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit performed during the most recently completed summer season, whichever is more recent.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.2.2.4.2. Winter ARA Qualified Capacity.
For the third annual reconfiguration auction associated with a Capacity Commitment Period, the Winter ARA Qualified Capacity of a Demand Resource shall be the sum of the values determined pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) below:

(a) For capacity that has achieved Commercial Operation, the lesser of: (i) its most recently-determined winter Qualified Capacity and (ii) its winter Seasonal DR Audit value in effect after the most recently completed winter season or its Demand Resource Commercial Operation Audit performed during the most recently completed winter season, whichever is more recent.

(b) Any amount of capacity that has not yet achieved Commercial Operation but: (i) is being monitored by the ISO pursuant to the provisions of Section III.13.3; (ii) has a Commercial Operation milestone date that is prior to the start of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (iii) for which the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor has met all relevant financial assurance requirements as described in Section III.13.1.9 and in the ISO New England Financial Assurance Policy.

III.13.4.2.1.3. Adjustment for Significant Decreases in Capacity.

For each month of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the third annual reconfiguration auction, for each resource that has achieved Commercial Operation, the ISO shall subtract the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity, as applicable, from the amount of capacity from the resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for the month. For the month associated with the greatest of these 12 values (for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or before June 1, 2019) or the least of these 12 values (for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2020), if the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity (as applicable) is below the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month by:

(1) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or before June 1, 2019, more than the lesser of:
   (i) 20 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or;
   (ii) 40 MW;

(2) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2020, June 1, 2021 and June 1, 2022, more than the lesser of:
   (i) the greater of 20 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;
(ii) 40 MW;

(3) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, more than the lesser of:

(i) the greater of 10 percent of the amount of capacity from that resource that is subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month or two MW, or;

(ii) 10 MW;

then the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The Lead Market Participant may submit a written plan to the ISO with any necessary supporting documentation describing the measures that will be taken and demonstrating that the resource will be able to provide an amount of capacity consistent with its total Capacity Supply Obligation for the Capacity Commitment Period by the start of all months in that Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation. If submitted, such a plan must be received by the ISO no later than 10 Business Days after the ISO has notified the Lead Market Participant of its Summer ARA Qualified Capacity and Winter ARA Qualified Capacity for the third annual reconfiguration auction.

(b) If no such plan as described in Section III.13.4.2.1.3(a) is timely submitted to the ISO, or if such a plan is timely submitted but the ISO determines that the plan does not demonstrate that the resource will be able to provide the necessary amount of capacity by the start of all months in the Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation, then the ISO shall enter a demand bid at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price on behalf of the resource (with all payments, charges, rights, obligations, and other results associated with such bid applying to the resource as if the resource itself had submitted the bid) in the third annual reconfiguration auction in an amount equal to:

(1) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning prior to June 1, 2020, the greatest of the 12 monthly values determined pursuant to this Section III.13.4.2.1.3;

(2) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on June 1, 2020, June 1, 2021 and June 1, 2022, where the Capacity Supply Obligation and Qualified Capacity values are those for the month in which the values as determined pursuant to Section III.13.4.2.1.3 vary the least, the greater of:

(i) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus (Qualified Capacity divided by 0.8), and;

(ii) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus Qualified Capacity minus 40 MW;

(3) for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023, where the Capacity Supply Obligation and Qualified Capacity values are those for the month in which the values as determined pursuant to Section III.13.4.2.1.3 vary the least, the greater of:
(i) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus (Qualified Capacity divided by 0.9), and;
(ii) the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation minus Qualified Capacity minus 10 MW.

(c) For Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020, if the ISO determines that the resource is not able to provide the necessary amount of capacity by the start of all months in the Capacity Commitment Period in which the resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation, and if the resource was part of an offer composed of separate resources when it qualified to participate in the relevant Forward Capacity Auction, then before a demand bid is entered for the resource pursuant to subsection (b) above, the resource may submit monthly Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals, subject to the satisfaction of the requirements in Section III.13.5, to cover the deficiency for the months of the Capacity Commitment Period in which the Capacity Supply Obligation is associated with participation in an offer composed of separate resource prior to the third annual reconfiguration auction, but in no case may such a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral for a month be for an amount of capacity greater than the difference between the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the month and the resource’s lowest monthly Capacity Supply Obligation during the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.2.1.4. Amount of Capacity That May Be Submitted in a Supply Offer in a Monthly Reconfiguration Auction.

A resource that has not achieved Commercial Operation may not submit a supply offer for that reconfiguration auction, unless the resource has a negative Capacity Supply Obligation, in which case it may submit a supply offer for that reconfiguration auction in an amount up to the absolute value of its Capacity Supply Obligation. The amount of capacity up to which a resource may submit a supply offer in a monthly reconfiguration auction shall be the difference (but in no case less than zero) between (i) the resource’s Summer ARA Qualified Capacity or Winter ARA Qualified Capacity as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.4.2, as applicable, for the auction month for the third annual reconfiguration auction for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period; and (ii) the amount of capacity from that resource that is already subject to a Capacity Supply Obligation for that month. However, a resource may not submit a supply offer for a monthly reconfiguration auction if it is on an approved outage during that month.

III.13.4.2.1.5. ISO Review of Supply Offers.

Supply offers in reconfiguration auctions shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure the regional and local adequacy achieved through the Forward Capacity Auction and other reliability needs are maintained. The ISO’s reviews will consider the location and operating and rating limitations of resources associated with
cleared supply offers to ensure reliability standards will remain satisfied if the offer is accepted. The ISO shall reject supply offers that would otherwise clear in a reconfiguration auction that will result in a violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria, or ISO New England System Rules during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the reconfiguration auction. The ISO’s reliability reviews will assess such offers, beginning with the marginal resource, based on operable capacity needs while considering any approved or interim approved transmission outage information and any approved generation or Demand Response Resource outage information, and will include transmission security studies. Supply offers that cannot meet the applicable reliability needs will be rejected in their entirety and the resource will not be rejected in part. Rejected resources will not be further included in clearing the reconfiguration auction and the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor, as appropriate, shall be notified as soon as practicable after the reconfiguration auction of the rejection and of the reliability need prompting such rejection.

III.13.4.2.2. Demand Bids in Reconfiguration Auctions.
Submission of demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be governed by this Section III.13.4.2.2. All demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be submitted by the Project Sponsor or Lead Market Participant, and shall specify the amount of capacity bid in MW, and the price, in dollars per kW/month.

(a) To submit a demand bid in a reconfiguration auction, a resource must have a Capacity Supply Obligation for the Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) associated with that reconfiguration auction. Where capacity associated with a Self-Supplied FCA Resource that cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period is offered in a reconfiguration auction for that Capacity Commitment Period, or any portion thereof, a resource acquiring a Capacity Supply Obligation shall not as a result become a Self-Supplied FCA Resource.

(b) Each demand bid submitted to the ISO for reconfiguration auction shall be no greater than the amount of the resource’s capacity that is already obligated for the Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) as of the offer and bid deadline for the reconfiguration auction.

(c) All demand bids in reconfiguration auctions shall be reviewed by the ISO to ensure the regional and local adequacy achieved through the Forward Capacity Auction and other reliability needs are maintained. The ISO’s reviews will consider the location and operating and rating limitations of resources associated with demand bids that would otherwise clear to ensure reliability standards will remain satisfied if the committed capacity is withdrawn. The ISO shall reject demand bids that would otherwise
clear in a reconfiguration auction that will result in a violation of any NERC or NPCC criteria or ISO New England System Rules during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the reconfiguration auction, provided that for annual reconfiguration auctions associated with a Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2018, the ISO shall not reject a demand bid solely on the basis that acceptance of the demand bid may result in the procurement of less capacity than the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs). For monthly reconfiguration auctions, the ISO shall obtain and consider information from the Local Control Center regarding whether the capacity associated with demand bids that would otherwise clear from resources with a Capacity Supply Obligation is needed for local system conditions. The ISO’s reliability reviews will assess such bids, beginning with the marginal resource, based on operable capacity needs while considering any approved or interim approved transmission outage information and any approved generation or Demand Response Resource outage information, and will include transmission security studies. Where the applicable reliability needs cannot be met if a Demand Bid is cleared, such Demand Bids will be rejected in their entirety and the resource will not be rejected in part. Demand Bids from rejected resources will not be further included in clearing the reconfiguration auction, and the Lead Market Participant or Project Sponsor, as appropriate, shall be notified as soon as practicable after the reconfiguration auction of the rejection and of the reliability need prompting such rejection.

III.13.4.3.  ISO Participation in Reconfiguration Auctions.

Section III.13.4.3 is applicable for reconfiguration auctions associated with Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020.

The ISO shall not submit supply offers or demand bids in monthly reconfiguration auctions. The ISO shall submit supply offers and demand bids in annual reconfiguration auctions as appropriate to address year-to-year changes in the Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), Local Sourcing Requirements and Maximum Capacity Limits for the associated Capacity Commitment Period, to procure capacity not purchased in the Forward Capacity Auction as a result of the “Inadequate Supply” rule for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015, to procure any shortfall in capacity resulting from a resource’s achieving Commercial Operation at a level less than that resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation or other significant decreases in capacity, and to address any changes in external interface limits, as follows:

(a) For each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or before June 1, 2017, the ISO shall submit supply offers and demand bids in annual reconfiguration auctions as appropriate to ensure that the
applicable Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs), Local Sourcing Requirements, Maximum Capacity Limits, and external interface limits are respected. Where less capacity than needed is obligated, the ISO shall submit demand bids as appropriate to procure the additional needed capacity in each subsequent annual reconfiguration auction until the need is met. Where more capacity than needed is obligated, the ISO may in its discretion submit supply offers in subsequent annual reconfiguration auctions to release the excess capacity, but in any case the ISO shall be required to submit supply offers as appropriate in the third annual reconfiguration auction for a Capacity Commitment Period to release the excess capacity.

(b) For each Capacity Commitment Period that begins on or after June 1, 2018, the ISO shall submit demand bids for the amount of additional capacity needed to meet the Local Sourcing Requirements and shall submit supply offers in the third annual reconfiguration auction for a Capacity Commitment Period to release capacity exceeding the Maximum Capacity Limits or external interface limits.

(c) No later than 15 days before the offer and bid deadline for an annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall provide notice regarding whether the ISO will be submitting supply offers or demand bids in that auction.

(d) Any demand bid submitted by the ISO in an annual reconfiguration auction shall be at the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price.

(e) Any supply offer submitted by the ISO in an annual reconfiguration auction shall be in the form of a supply curve having the following characteristics:

(i) at prices equal to or greater than 0.75 times the Capacity Clearing Price, as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b), from the Forward Capacity Auction for the Capacity Commitment Period covered by the annual reconfiguration auction, the ISO shall offer the full amount of the surplus;

(ii) at prices between 0.75 times such Capacity Clearing Price and 0.25 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the amount of the surplus offered by the ISO shall decrease linearly (for example, at 0.5 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the ISO shall offer half of the amount of the surplus); and
(iii) At prices equal to or below 0.25 times such Capacity Clearing Price, the ISO shall offer no capacity.

(f) For purposes of this Section III.13.4.3, the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price shall be the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for the same Capacity Commitment Period addressed by the reconfiguration auction, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.4.

(g) Supply offers and demand bids submitted by the ISO in annual reconfiguration auctions are not subject to the requirements and limitations described in Section III.13.4.2.

(h) Supply offers and demand bids submitted by the ISO in annual reconfiguration auctions are not associated with a resource.

III.13.4.4. Clearing Offers and Bids in Reconfiguration Auctions.

All supply offers and demand bids may be cleared in whole or in part in all reconfiguration auctions. If after clearing, a resource has a Capacity Supply Obligation below its Economic Minimum Limit, it must meet the requirements of Section III.13.6.1.1.1.

III.13.4.5. Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.

Except as provided below, after the Forward Capacity Auction for a Capacity Commitment Period, and before the start of that Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct three annual reconfiguration auctions for capacity commitments covering the whole of that Capacity Commitment Period. For each annual reconfiguration auction, the capacity demand curves, New England Control Area and Capacity Zone capacity requirements and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled in the auction consistent with the Forward Capacity Auction for the associated Capacity Commitment Period. For purposes of the annual reconfiguration auctions, the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price used to define the System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve shall be the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price associated with the Forward Capacity Auction for the same Capacity Commitment Period addressed by the reconfiguration auction.

III.13.4.5.1. Timing of Annual Reconfiguration Auctions.

The first annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of June that is approximately 24 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The second
annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of August that is approximately 10 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The third annual reconfiguration auction for the Capacity Commitment Period shall be held in the month of March that is approximately 3 months before the start of the Capacity Commitment Period.

III.13.4.5.2.  Acceleration of Annual Reconfiguration Auction.
If the difference between the forecasted Installed Capacity Requirement (net of HQICCs) for a Capacity Commitment Period and the amount of capacity obligated for that Capacity Commitment Period is sufficiently large, then the ISO may, upon reasonable notice to Market Participants, conduct an annual reconfiguration auction as much as six months earlier than its normally-scheduled time.

III.13.4.6.  [Reserved.]

Prior to each month in the Capacity Commitment Period, the ISO shall conduct a monthly reconfiguration auction for whole-month capacity commitments during that month. For each monthly reconfiguration auction for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning before June 1, 2020, the Local Sourcing Requirement and Maximum Capacity Limit applicable for each Capacity Zone and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled as constraints in the auction. For each monthly reconfiguration auction for Capacity Commitment Periods beginning or after June 1, 2020, the truncation points for import-constrained Capacity Zones and export-constrained Capacity Zones specified in Section III.13.2.2.2 and Section III.13.2.2.3, and external interface limits, as updated pursuant to Section III.12, shall be modeled as constraints in the auction. The System-Wide Capacity Demand Curve is not modeled in monthly reconfiguration auctions.

III.13.4.8.  Adjustment to Capacity Supply Obligations.
For each supply offer that clears in a reconfiguration auction, the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) shall be increased by the amount of capacity that clears. For each demand bid that clears in a reconfiguration auction, the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period (or portion thereof, as applicable) shall be decreased by the amount of capacity that clears.
III.13.7. Performance, Payments and Charges in the FCM.
Revenue in the Forward Capacity Market for resources providing capacity shall be composed of Capacity Base Payments as described in Section III.13.7.1 and Capacity Performance Payments as described in Section III.13.7.2, adjusted as described in Section III.13.7.3 and Section III.13.7.4. Market Participants with a Capacity Load Obligation will be subject to charges as described in Section III.13.7.5.

In the event of a change in the Lead Market Participant for a resource that has a Capacity Supply Obligation, the Capacity Supply Obligation shall remain associated with the resource and the new Lead Market Participant for the resource shall be bound by all provisions of this Section III.13 arising from such Capacity Supply Obligation. The Lead Market Participant for the resource at the start of an Obligation Month shall be responsible for all payments and charges associated with that resource in that Obligation Month.

Resources acquiring or shedding a Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month shall receive a Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month reflecting the payments and charges described in Section III.13.7.1.1, as adjusted to account for peak energy rents as described in Section III.13.7.1.2.

Each resource that has: (i) cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction, except for the portion of resources designated as Self-Supplied FCA Resources; (ii) cleared in a reconfiguration auction; or (iii) entered into a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral shall be entitled to a monthly payment or charge during the Capacity Commitment Period based on the following amounts:

(a) **Forward Capacity Auction.** For a resource whose offer has cleared in a Forward Capacity Auction, the monthly capacity payment shall equal the product of its cleared capacity (or in the case of a New Generating Capacity Resource that has cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and has completed construction but due to a planned transmission facility (e.g., a radial interconnection) not being in service is not able to achieve Commercial Operation, and is able to conduct a capability audit, the lesser of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation or its audited amount) and the Capacity Clearing Price in the appropriate Capacity Zone in the New England Control Area as adjusted by applicable indexing for resources with additional Capacity Commitment Period elections pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.4 in the manner described below. For a resource that has elected to have the Capacity Clearing Price and the Capacity Supply Obligation apply for more than one Capacity Commitment Period, payments associated
with the Capacity Supply Obligation and Capacity Clearing Price (indexed using the Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs in effect as of December 31 of the year preceding the Capacity Commitment Period) shall continue to apply after the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction in which the offer clears, for up to six additional and consecutive Capacity Commitment Periods, in whole Capacity Commitment Period increments only.

(b) **Reconfiguration Auctions.** For a resource whose offer or bid has cleared in an annual or monthly reconfiguration auction, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of its cleared capacity and the appropriate reconfiguration auction clearing price in the Capacity Zone in which the resource cleared.

(c) **Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals.** For resources that have acquired or shed a Capacity Supply Obligation through a Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of the Capacity Supply Obligation being assumed or shed and price associated with the Capacity Supply Obligation Bilateral.

(d) **Substitution Auctions.** For a resource whose offer or bid has cleared in a substitution auction, the monthly capacity payment or charge shall be equal to the product of its cleared capacity and the substitution auction clearing price. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the monthly capacity charge for a demand bid cleared at a substitution auction clearing price above its bid price shall be calculated using its bid price.

III.13.7.1.2 **Peak Energy Rents.**

Capacity Base Payments to resources with Capacity Supply Obligations, except for (1) On-Peak Demand Resources, (2) Seasonal Peak Demand Resources, and (3) New Generating Capacity Resources that have cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and have completed construction but due to a planned transmission facility (e.g., a radial interconnection) not being in service are not able to achieve Commercial Operation, shall be decreased by Peak Energy Rents (“PER”) calculated in each Capacity Zone, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4 in the Forward Capacity Auction, as provided below. The PER calculation shall utilize hourly integrated Real-Time LMPs. For each Capacity Zone in the Forward Capacity Auction, as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4, PER shall be computed based on the load-weighted Real-Time LMPs for each Capacity Zone, using the Real-Time Hub Price for the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall not be subject to a PER adjustment on the portion of the resource that is self-supplied.
III.13.7.1.2.1 Hourly PER Calculations.

(a) For hours with a positive difference between the hourly Real-Time energy price and a strike price, the ISO shall compute PER for each hour ("Hourly PER") equal to this positive difference in accordance with the following formula, which includes scaling adjustments for system load and availability:

\[
\text{Hourly PER} \$/\text{kW} = (\text{LMP} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Scaling Factor} \times \text{Availability Factor}
\]

Where:

- Strike Price = the heat rate x fuel cost of the PER Proxy Unit described below.
- Scaling Factor = the ratio of actual hourly integrated system load (calculated as the sum of Real-Time Load Obligations for the system as calculated in the settlement of the Real-Time Energy Market and adjusted for losses and including imports delivered in the Real-Time Energy Market) and the 50/50 predicted peak system load reduced appropriately for Demand Capacity Resources, used in the most recent calculation of the Installed Capacity Requirement for that Capacity Commitment Period, capped at an hourly ratio of 1.0.
- Availability Factor = 0.95.

(b) PER Proxy Unit characteristics shall be as follows:

(i) The PER Proxy Unit shall be indexed to the marginal fuel, which shall be the higher of ultra low-sulfur No. 2 oil measured at New York Harbor plus a seven percent markup for transportation or day-ahead gas measured at the Algonquin City Gate, as determined on a daily basis;

(ii) The PER Proxy Unit shall be assumed to have no start-up, ramp rate or minimum run time constraints;

(iii) The PER Proxy Unit shall have a 22,000 Btu/kWh heat rate. This assumption shall be periodically reviewed after the first Capacity Commitment Period by the ISO to ensure that the heat rate continues to reflect a level slightly higher than the marginal generating unit in the region.
that would be dispatched as the system enters a scarcity condition. Any changes to the heat rate of the PER Proxy Unit shall be considered in the stakeholder process in consultation with the state utility regulatory agencies, shall be filed pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, and shall be applied prospectively to the settlement of future Forward Capacity Auctions.

### III.13.7.1.2.2. Monthly PER Application.

The Hourly PER shall be summed for each calendar month to determine the total PER for that month ("Monthly PER"). The ISO shall then calculate the Average Monthly PER earned by the proxy unit. The Average Monthly PER shall be equal to the average of the Monthly PER values for the 12 months prior to the Obligation Month. The PER deduction for each resource shall be calculated as the Average Monthly PER multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month (less any Capacity Supply Obligation MW from any portion of a Self-Supplied FCA Resource); provided, however, that in no case shall a resource’s PER deduction for an Obligation Month be less than zero or greater than the product of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation and the relevant Forward Capacity Auction Capacity Clearing Price.

### III.13.7.1.3. Export Capacity.

If there are any Export Bids or Administrative Export De-list Bids from resources located in an export-constrained Capacity Zone or in the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone that have cleared in the Forward Capacity Auction and if the resource is exporting capacity at an export interface that is connected to an import-constrained Capacity Zone or the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone that is different than the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located, then charges and credits are applied as follows (for the following calculation, the Capacity Clearing Price will be the value prior to PER adjustments).

\[
\text{Charge Amount to Resource Exporting} = [\text{Capacity Clearing Price} \text{ location of the interface} - \text{Capacity Clearing Price} \text{ location of the resource}] \times \text{Cleared MWs of Export Bid or Administrative Export De-List Bid}
\]

\[
\text{Credit Amount to Capacity Load Obligations in the Capacity Zone where the export interface is located} = [\text{Capacity Clearing Price} \text{ location of the interface} - \text{Capacity Clearing Price} \text{ location of the resource}] \times \text{Cleared MWs of Export Bid or Administrative Export De-list Bid}
\]

Credits and charges to load in the applicable Capacity Zones, as set forth above, shall be allocated in proportion to each LSE’s Capacity Load Obligation as calculated in Section III.13.7.5.1.
III.13.7.1.4. [Reserved.]

III.13.7.2 Capacity Performance Payments.

III.13.7.2.1 Definition of Capacity Scarcity Condition.
A Capacity Scarcity Condition shall exist in a Capacity Zone for any five-minute interval in which the Real-Time Reserve Clearing Price for that entire Capacity Zone is set based on the Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing for: (i) the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement; (ii) the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement; or (iii) the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement, each as described in Section III.2.7A(c); provided, however, that a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall not exist if the Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing results only because of resource ramping limitations that are not binding on the energy dispatch.

III.13.7.2.2 Calculation of Actual Capacity Provided During a Capacity Scarcity Condition.
For each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists, the ISO shall calculate the Actual Capacity Provided by each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, in any Capacity Zone that is subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition. For resources not having a Capacity Supply Obligation (including External Transactions), the Actual Capacity Provided shall be calculated using the provision below applicable to the resource type.

(a) A Generating Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the sum of the resource’s output during the interval plus the resource’s Real-Time Reserve Designation (including any regulation capability available but not used for energy) during the interval; provided, however, that if the resource’s output was limited during the Capacity Scarcity Condition as a result of a transmission system limitation, then the resource’s Actual Capacity Provided may not be greater than the sum of the resource’s Desired Dispatch Point during the interval, plus the resource’s Real-Time Designation (including any regulation capability available but not used for energy) during the interval. Where the resource is associated with one or more External Transaction sales submitted in accordance with Section III.1.10.7(f), the resource will have its hourly Actual Capacity Provided reduced by the hourly integrated delivered MW for the External Transaction sale or sales.
(b) An Import Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the net energy delivered (but not less than zero) during the interval in which the Capacity Scarcity Condition occurred. Where a single Market Participant owns more than one Import Capacity Resource, then the difference between the total net energy delivered from those resources and the total of the Capacity Supply Obligations of those resources shall be allocated to those resources pro rata.

(c) An On-Peak Demand Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the resource’s Average Hourly Output or Average Hourly Load Reduction, where the MWhs of reduction, other than MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses.

(d) A Seasonal Peak Demand Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the resource’s Average Hourly Output or Average Hourly Load Reduction, where the MWhs of reduction, other than MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses.

(e) [Reserved.]

(f) An Active Demand Capacity Resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during a Capacity Scarcity Condition shall be the sum of the Real-Time demand reduction of each associated Demand Response Resource (where the MWhs of reduction, other than the MWhs associated with Net Supply, are increased by average avoided peak transmission and distribution losses) plus the resource’s Real-Time Reserve Designation (adjusted as described in III.9.6.5(h)).

III.13.7.2.3 Capacity Balancing Ratio.

For each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists, the ISO shall calculate a Capacity Balancing Ratio using the following formula:

\[
\frac{(\text{Load} + \text{Reserve Requirement})}{\text{Total Capacity Supply Obligation}}
\]

(a) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement such that the associated system-wide Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:
Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the New England Control Area during the interval.

Reserve Requirement = the Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement during the interval.

Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the New England Control Area during the interval.

(b) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement such that the associated system-wide Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:

Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the New England Control Area during the interval.

Reserve Requirement = the Ten-Minute Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval plus the Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement during the interval.

Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the New England Control Area during the interval.

(c) If the Capacity Scarcity Condition is a result of a violation of the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement such that the associated Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing applies, then the terms used in the formula above shall be calculated as follows:

Load = the total amount of Actual Capacity Provided (excluding reserve designations) from all resources in the Capacity Zone during the interval plus the net amount of energy imported into the Capacity Zone from outside the New England Control Area during the interval (but not less than zero).

Reserve Requirement = the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement minus any reserve support coming into the Capacity Zone over the internal transmission interface.
Total Capacity Supply Obligation = the total amount of Capacity Supply Obligations in the Capacity Zone during the interval.

(d) The following provisions shall be used to determine the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio where more than one of the conditions described in subsections (a), (b), and (c) apply in a Capacity Zone.

(i) In any Capacity Zone subject to Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing associated with both the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement and either the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement or the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement, then for resources in that Capacity Zone the Capacity Balancing Ratio shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.7.2.3(c).

(ii) In any Capacity Zone subject to both the minimum Thirty-Minute Operating Reserve requirement sub-category of the system-wide Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement and the system-wide Ten-Minute Non-Spinning Reserve requirement, but not to Reserve Constraint Penalty Factor pricing associated with the local Thirty-Minute Operating Reserves requirement, then for resources in that Capacity Zone the Capacity Balancing Ratio shall be calculated as described in Section III.13.7.2.3(a).

III.13.7.2.4 Capacity Performance Score.
Each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, will be assigned a Capacity Performance Score for each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists in the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located. A resource’s Capacity Performance Score for the interval shall equal the resource’s Actual Capacity Provided during the interval minus the product of the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation and the applicable Capacity Balancing Ratio; provided, however, that for an On-Peak Demand Resource or a Seasonal Peak Demand Resource, if the Capacity Scarcity Condition occurs in an interval outside of Demand Resource On-Peak Hours or Demand Resource Seasonal Peak Hours, as applicable, then the Actual Capacity Provided and Capacity Supply Obligation associated with any On-Peak Demand Resource or Seasonal Peak Demand Resource comprised exclusively of Energy Efficiency measures shall be excluded from the calculation of the resource’s Capacity Performance Score. The resulting Capacity Performance Score may be positive, zero, or negative.
III.13.7.2.5 Capacity Performance Payment Rate.
For the three Capacity Commitment Periods beginning June 1, 2018 and ending May 31, 2021, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $2000/MWh. For the three Capacity Commitment Periods beginning June 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2024, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $3500/MWh. For the Capacity Commitment Period beginning on June 1, 2024 and ending on May 31, 2025 and thereafter, the Capacity Performance Payment Rate shall be $5455/MWh. The ISO shall review the Capacity Performance Payment Rate in the stakeholder process as needed and shall file with the Commission a new Capacity Performance Payment Rate if and as appropriate.

III.13.7.2.6 Calculation of Capacity Performance Payments.
For each resource, whether or not it has a Capacity Supply Obligation, the ISO shall calculate a Capacity Performance Payment for each five-minute interval in which a Capacity Scarcity Condition exists in the Capacity Zone in which the resource is located. A resource’s Capacity Performance Payment for an interval shall equal the resource’s Capacity Performance Score for the interval multiplied by the Capacity Performance Payment Rate. The resulting Capacity Performance Payment for an interval may be positive or negative.

III.13.7.3 Monthly Capacity Payment and Capacity Stop-Loss Mechanism.
Each resource’s Monthly Capacity Payment for an Obligation Month, which may be positive or negative, shall be the sum of the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month plus the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month, except as provided in Section III.13.7.3.1 and Section III.13.7.3.2 below.

III.13.7.3.1 Monthly Stop-Loss.
If the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (excluding any Capacity Performance Payments associated with Actual Capacity Provided above the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation in any interval) for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month is negative, the amount subtracted from the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the product of the applicable Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month (or, in the case of a resource subject to a multi-year Capacity Commitment Period election made in a Forward Capacity Auction prior to the ninth Forward Capacity Auction as described in Sections III.13.1.1.2.2.4 and III.13.1.4.1.1.2.7, the amount subtracted from the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the...
product of the applicable Capacity Clearing Price (indexed for inflation) multiplied by the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month).

III.13.7.3.2 Annual Stop-Loss.

(a) For each Obligation Month, the ISO shall calculate a stop-loss amount equal to:

\[ \text{MaxCSO} \times [3 \text{ months} \times (\text{FCAcp} - \text{FCAsp}) - (12 \text{ months} \times \text{FCAcp})] \]

Where:

MaxCSO = the resource’s highest monthly Capacity Supply Obligation in the Capacity Commitment Period to date.

FCAcp = the Capacity Clearing Price for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction.

FCAsp = the Forward Capacity Auction Starting Price for the relevant Forward Capacity Auction.

(b) For each Obligation Month, the ISO shall calculate each resource’s cumulative Capacity Performance Payments as the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments for all months in the Capacity Commitment Period to date, with those monthly amounts limited as described in Section III.13.7.3.1.

(c) If the sum of the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments (excluding any Capacity Performance Payments associated with Actual Capacity Provided above the resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation in any interval) for all five-minute intervals in the Obligation Month is negative, the amount subtracted from the resource’s Capacity Base Payment for the Obligation Month will be limited to an amount equal to the difference between the stop-loss amount calculated as described in Section III.13.7.3.2(a) and the resource’s cumulative Capacity Performance Payments as described in Section III.13.7.3.2(b).

III.13.7.4 Allocation of Deficient or Excess Capacity Performance Payments.
For each type of Capacity Scarcity Condition as described in Section III.13.7.2.1 and for each Capacity Zone, the ISO shall allocate deficient or excess Capacity Performance Payments as described in
subsections (a) and (b) below. Where more than one type of Capacity Scarcity Condition applies, then the provisions below shall be applied in proportion to the duration of each type of Capacity Scarcity Condition.

(a) If the sum of all Capacity Performance Payments to all resources subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition in the Capacity Zone in an Obligation Month is positive, the deficiency will be charged to resources in proportion to each such resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month, excluding any resources subject to the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3 for the Obligation Month. If the charge described in this Section III.13.7.4(a) causes a resource to reach the stop-loss limit described in Section III.13.7.3, then the stop-loss cap described in Section III.13.7.3 will be applied to that resource, and the remaining deficiency will be further allocated to other resources in the same manner as described in this Section III.13.7.4(a).

(b) If the sum of all Capacity Performance Payments to all resources subject to the Capacity Scarcity Condition in the Capacity Zone in an Obligation Month is negative, the excess will be credited to all such resources in proportion to each resource’s Capacity Supply Obligation for the Obligation Month. For a resource subject to the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3 for the Obligation Month, any such credit shall be reduced (though not to less than zero) by the amount not charged to the resource as a result of the application of the stop-loss mechanism described in Section III.13.7.3, and the remaining excess will be further allocated to other resources in the same manner as described in this Section III.13.7.4(b).

III.13.7.5. Charges to Market Participants with Capacity Load Obligations.
A load serving entity with a Capacity Load Obligation as of the end of the Obligation Month shall be subject to a charge equal to the product of: (a) its Capacity Load Obligation in the Capacity Zone; and (b) the applicable Net Regional Clearing Price. The Net Regional Clearing Price is defined as the sum of the total payments as defined in Section III.13.7 paid to resources with Capacity Supply Obligations in the Capacity Zone (excluding any capacity payments and charges made for Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals and excluding any Capacity Performance Payments), less PER adjustments for resources in the zone as defined in Section III.13.7.1.2, and including any applicable export charges or credits as determined pursuant to Section III.13.7.1.3 divided by the sum of all Capacity Supply Obligations (excluding (i) the quantity of capacity subject to Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals and (ii) the quantity of capacity clearing as Self-Supplied FCA Resources) assumed by resources in the zone. A load
serving entity satisfying its Capacity Load Obligation by a Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall not receive a credit for any PER payment for its Capacity Load Obligation so satisfied.

**III.13.7.5.1. Calculation of Capacity Requirement and Capacity Load Obligation.**

The ISO shall assign each load serving entity a Capacity Requirement prior to the commencement of each Obligation Month for each Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4. The Capacity Requirement for each month and Capacity Zone shall equal the product of: (i) the total of the system-wide Capacity Supply Obligations (excluding the quantity of capacity subject to Capacity Supply Obligation Bilaterals) plus HQICCs; and (ii) the ratio of the sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year two years prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period to the system-wide sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load from the calendar year two years prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period. The following loads are assigned a peak contribution of zero for the purposes of assigning obligations and tracking load shifts: load associated with pumping of pumped hydro generators, if the resource was pumping; Station service load that is modeled as a discrete Load Asset and the Resource is complying with the maintenance scheduling procedures of the ISO; load that is modeled as an Asset Related Demand or discrete load asset and is exclusively related to an Alternative Technology Regulation Resource following AGC dispatch instructions; and transmission losses associated with delivery of energy over the Control Area tie lines.

A load serving entity’s Capacity Requirement for each month and Capacity Zone shall equal the product of: (i) the Capacity Zone’s Capacity Requirement as calculated above and (ii) the ratio of the sum of the load serving entity’s annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period to the sum of all load serving entities’ annual coincident contributions to the system-wide annual peak load in that Capacity Zone from the calendar year prior to the start of the Capacity Commitment Period.

A load serving entity’s Capacity Load Obligation shall be its Capacity Requirement, adjusted as appropriate to account for any relevant Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICCs, and Self-Supply FCA Resource designations. A Capacity Load Obligation can be a positive or negative value. A Market Participant that is not a load serving entity shall have a Capacity Load Obligation equal to the net obligation resulting from Capacity Load Obligation Bilaterals, HQICC, and Self-Supply FCA Resource designations.
A load serving entity’s Capacity Requirement will not be reconstituted to include the demand reduction of a Demand Capacity Resource or Demand Response Resource.

**III.13.7.5.1.1. HQICC Used in the Calculation of Capacity Requirements.**

In order to treat HQICCs as a load reduction, each holder of HQICCs shall have its Capacity Requirement in the Capacity Zone in which the HQ Phase I/II external node is located as specified in Section III.13.1.3 adjusted by its share of the total monthly HQICC amount.

**III.13.7.5.1.2. Charges Associated with Self-Supplied FCA Resources.**

The capacity associated with a Self-Supplied FCA Resource shall be treated as a credit toward the Capacity Load Obligation of the load serving entity so designated by such resources as described in Section III.13.1.6. The amount of Self-Supplied FCA Resources shall be determined pursuant to Section III.13.1.6.

**III.13.7.5.1.3. Charges Associated with Dispatchable Asset Related Demands.**

Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resources will not receive Forward Capacity Market payments, but instead each Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource will receive an adjustment to its share of the associated Coincident Peak Contribution based on the ability of the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource to reduce consumption. The adjustment to a load serving entity’s Coincident Peak Contribution resulting from Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource reduction in consumption shall be based on the Nominated Consumption Limit submitted for the Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource. The Nominated Consumption Limit value of each Dispatchable Asset Related Demand resource is subject to adjustment as further described in the ISO New England Manuals, including adjustments based on the results of Nominated Consumption Limit audits performed in accordance with the ISO New England Manuals.

**III.13.7.5.2. Excess Revenues.**

Revenues collected from load serving entities in excess of revenues paid by the ISO to resources shall be paid by the ISO to the holders of Capacity Transfer Rights, as detailed in Section III.13.7.5.3.

**III.13.7.5.3. Capacity Transfer Rights.**

**III.13.7.5.3.1. Definition and Payments to Holders of Capacity Transfer Rights.**
The ISO shall create Capacity Transfer Rights (“CTRs”) for each internal interface associated with a Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4). Based upon results of the Forward Capacity Auction and reconfiguration auctions, the total CTR fund will be calculated as the difference between the charges to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations and the payments to Capacity Resources as follows: The system-wide sum of the product of each Capacity Zone’s Net Regional Clearing Price and absolute value of each Capacity Zone’s Capacity Load Obligations, as calculated in Section III.13.7.5.1, minus the sum of the monthly capacity payments to Capacity Resources within each zone, as adjusted for PER.

Each Capacity Zone established in the Forward Capacity Auction (as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4) will be assigned its portion of the CTR fund.

For CTRs resulting from an export constrained zone, the assignment will be calculated as the product of: (i) the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the difference between the absolute value of the total Capacity Supply Obligations obtained in the exporting Capacity Zone, adjusted for Capacity Supply Obligations associated with Self-Supply FCA Resources, and the absolute value of the total Capacity Load Obligations in the exporting Capacity Zone.

For CTRs resulting from an import constrained zone, the assignment will be calculated as the product of: (i) the Net Regional Clearing Price for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Net Regional Clearing Price for the absolute value of the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the difference between absolute value of the total Capacity Load Obligations in the importing Capacity Zone and the total Capacity Supply Obligations obtained in the importing Capacity Zone, adjusted for Capacity Supply Obligations associated with Self-Supply FCA Resources.

The value of CTRs specifically allocated pursuant to Sections III.13.7.5.3.2(c), III.13.7.5.3.4, and III.13.7.5.3.6 shall be calculated as the product of: (i) the Capacity Clearing Price (as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b)), or, if applicable, the lower of (1) the Capacity Clearing Price and (2) the administratively-determined payment rate (due to “Inadequate Supply” or “Insufficient Competition”) that applies to certain resources for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015 for the Capacity Zone to which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity minus the Capacity
Clearing Price (as adjusted pursuant to Section III.13.2.7.3(b)), or, if applicable, minus the lower of (1) the Capacity Clearing Price and (2) the administratively-determined payment rate (due to “Inadequate Supply” or “Insufficient Competition”) that applies to certain resources for Forward Capacity Auctions conducted prior to June 2015 for the Capacity Zone from which the applicable interface limits the transfer of capacity; and (ii) the MW quantity of the specifically allocated CTRs across the applicable interface. The value of the specifically allocated CTRs will be deducted from the associated Capacity Zone’s portion of the CTR fund. The balance of the CTR fund will then be allocated to the load serving entities as set forth in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.

III.13.7.5.3.2. Allocation of Capacity Transfer Rights.

For Capacity Zones established in the Forward Capacity Auction as determined pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.4, the CTR fund shall be allocated among load serving entities using their Capacity Load Obligation (net of HQICCs) described in Section III.13.7.5.1. Market Participants with CTRs specifically allocated under Section III.13.7.5.3.6 will have their specifically allocated CTR MWs netted from their Capacity Load Obligation used to establish their share of the CTR fund.

(a) Connecticut Import Interface. The allocation of the CTR fund associated with the Connecticut Import Interface shall be made to load serving entities based on their Capacity Load Obligation in the Connecticut Capacity Zone.

(b) NEMA/Boston Import Interface. Except as provided in Section III.13.7.5.3.6 of Market Rule 1, the allocation of the CTR fund associated with the NEMA/Boston Import Interface shall be made to load serving entities based on their Capacity Load Obligation in the NEMA/Boston Capacity Zone.

(c) Maine Export Interface. Casco Bay shall receive specifically allocated CTRs of 325 MW across the Maine Export Interface for as long as Casco Bay continues to pay to support the transmission upgrades. Each municipal utility entitlement holder of a resource constructed as a Pool-Planned Unit in Maine shall receive specifically allocated CTRs across the Maine Export Interface equal to the applicable seasonal claimed capability of its ownership entitlements in such unit as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.6. The balance of the CTR fund associated with the Maine Export Interface shall be allocated to load serving entities with a Capacity Load Obligation on the import-constrained side of the Maine Export Interface.

III.13.7.5.3.3. Allocations of CTRs Resulting From Revised Capacity Zones.
The portion of the CTR fund associated with revised definitions of Capacity Zones shall be fully allocated to load serving entities after deducting the value of applicable CTRs that have been specifically allocated. Allocations of the CTR fund among load serving entities will be made using their Capacity Load Obligations (net of HQICCs) as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.1. Market Participants with CTRs specifically allocated under Section III.13.7.5.3.6 will have their specifically allocated CTR MWs netted from the Capacity Load Obligation used to establish their share of the CTR fund.

(a) **Import Constraints.** The allocation of the CTR fund associated with newly defined import-constrained Capacity Zones restricting the transfer of capacity into a single adjacent import-constrained Capacity Zone shall be allocated to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations in that import-constrained Capacity Zone.

(b) **Export Constraints.** The allocation of the CTR fund associated with newly defined export-constrained Capacity Zones shall be allocated to load serving entities with Capacity Load Obligations on the import-constrained side of the interface.

### III.13.7.5.3.4. Specifically Allocated CTRs Associated with Transmission Upgrades.

(a) A Market Participant that pays for transmission upgrades not funded through the Pool PTF Rate and which increase transfer capability across existing or potential Capacity Zone interfaces may request a specifically allocated CTR in an amount equal to the number of CTRs supported by that increase in transfer capability.

(b) The allocation of additional CTRs created through generator interconnections completed after February 1, 2009 shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the ISO generator interconnection or planning standards. In the event the ISO interconnection or planning standards do not address this issue, the CTRs created shall be allocated in the same manner as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.

(c) Specifically allocated CTRs shall expire when the Market Participant ceases to pay to support the transmission upgrades.

(d) CTRs resulting from transmission upgrades funded through the Pool PTF Rate shall not be specifically allocated but shall be allocated in the same manner as described in Section III.13.7.5.3.2.

### III.13.7.5.3.5. [Reserved.]
III.13.7.5.3.6. Specifically Allocated CTRs for Pool Planned Units.
In import-constrained Capacity Zones, in recognition of longstanding life of unit contracts, the municipal utility entitlement holder of a resource constructed as Pool-Planned Units shall receive an initial allocation of CTRs equal to the applicable seasonal claimed capability of the ownership entitlements in such unit. Municipal utility entitlements are set as shown in the table below and are not transferrable.
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This allocation of CTRs shall expire on December 31, 2040. If a resource listed in the table above retires prior to December 31, 2040, however, its allocation of CTRs shall expire upon retirement. In the event that the NEMA zone either becomes or is forecast to become a separate zone for Forward Capacity Auction purposes, National Grid agrees to discuss with Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company ("MMWEC") and Wellesley Municipal Light Plant, Reading Municipal Light Plant and Concord Municipal Light Plant ("WRC") any proposal by National Grid to develop cost effective transmission improvements that would mitigate or alleviate the import constraints and to work cooperatively and in good faith with MMWEC and WRC regarding any such proposal. MMWEC and WRC agree to support any proposals advanced by National Grid in the regional system planning process to construct any such transmission improvements, provided that MMWEC and WRC determine that the proposed improvements are cost effective (without regard to CTRs) and will mitigate or alleviate the import constraints.

III.13.7.5.4. **Forward Capacity Market Net Charge Amount.**
The Forward Capacity Market net charge amount for each Market Participant as of the end of the Obligation Month shall be equal to the sum of: (a) its Capacity Load Obligation charge; (b) its revenues from any applicable specifically allocated CTRs; (c) its share of the CTR fund; and (d) any applicable export charges.
III.13.8. Reporting and Price Finality


(a) For each Forward Capacity Auction, no later than 20 Business Days after the issuance of retirement determination notifications described in Section III.13.1.2.4(a), the ISO shall make a filing with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act describing the Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids. The ISO will file the following information confidentially: the determinations made by the Internal Market Monitor with respect to each Permanent De-List Bid and Retirement De-List Bid, and supporting documentation for each such determination. The confidential filing shall indicate those resources that will permanently de-list or retire prior to the Forward Capacity Auction and those Permanent De-List Bids and Retirement De-List Bids for which a Lead Market Participant has made an election pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.4.1.

(b) The Forward Capacity Auction shall be conducted using the determinations as approved by the Commission (unless the Commission directs otherwise), and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c).

(c) For each Forward Capacity Auction, no later than 90 days prior to the first day of the auction, the ISO shall make an informational filing with the Commission detailing the following determinations made by the ISO with respect to that Forward Capacity Auction, and providing supporting documentation for each such determination, provided, however, that the determinations in subsections (vi), (vii), and (viii) below shall be filed confidentially with the Commission in the informational filing, except determinations on which new resources have been rejected due to overlapping interconnection impacts (the determinations in subsections (vi), (vii), and (viii) shall be published by the ISO no later than 15 days after the Forward Capacity Auction), with the exception of de-list bid price information, which shall remain confidential):

(i) which Capacity Zones shall be modeled in the Forward Capacity Auction;

(ii) the transmission interface limits as determined pursuant to Section III.12.5;
(iii) which existing and proposed transmission lines the ISO determines will be in service by the start of the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction;

(iv) the expected amount of installed capacity in each modeled Capacity Zone during the Capacity Commitment Period associated with the Forward Capacity Auction, and the Local Sourcing Requirement for each modeled import-constrained Capacity Zone and the Maximum Capacity Limit for each modeled export-constrained Capacity Zone;

(v) the multipliers applied in determining the Capacity Value of a Demand Resource, as described in Section III.13.7.1.5.1;

(vi) which new resources are accepted and rejected in the qualification process to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction;

(vii) the Internal Market Monitor’s determinations regarding each requested offer price from a new resource submitted pursuant to Section III.13.1.2.2.3 or Section III.13.1.4.2, including information regarding each of the elements considered in the Internal Market Monitor’s determination of expected net revenues (other than revenues from ISO-administered markets) and whether that element was included or excluded in the determination of whether the offer is consistent with the resource’s long run average costs net of expected net revenues other than capacity revenues;

(viii) the Internal Market Monitor’s determinations regarding offers or Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative De-List Bids submitted during the qualification process made according to the provisions of this Section III.13, including an explanation of the Internal Market Monitor-determined prices established for any Static De-List Bids, Export Bids, and Administrative De-List Bids as described in Section III.13.1.2.3.2 based on the Internal Market Monitor review and the resource’s net going forward costs, reasonable expectations about the resource’s Capacity Performance Payments, reasonable risk premium assumptions, and reasonable opportunity costs as determined by the Internal Market Monitor. The filing shall identify to the extent possible the components of the bid which were accepted as justified, and shall also identify to the extent possible the components of the bid which were not justified and which resulted in the Internal Market Monitor establishing an Internal Market Monitor-determined price for the bid;
(ix) which existing resources are qualified to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction (this information will include resource type, capacity zone, and qualified MW);

(x) aggregate MW from new resources qualified to participate in the Forward Capacity Auction and aggregate de-list bid amounts; and

(xi) aggregate quantity of supply offers and demand bids qualified to participate in the substitution auction.

(d) Any comments or challenges to the determinations contained in the informational filing described in Section III.13.8.1(c) or in the qualification determination notifications described in Sections III.13.1.1.2.8, III.13.1.2.4(b) and III.13.1.3.5.7 must be filed with the Commission no later than 15 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing. If the Commission does not issue an order within 75 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing that directs otherwise, the determinations contained in the informational filing shall be used in conducting the Forward Capacity Auction, and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c). If within 75 days after the ISO’s submission of the informational filing, the Commission does issue an order modifying one or more of the ISO’s determinations, then the Forward Capacity Auction shall be conducted no earlier than 15 days following that order using the determinations as modified by the Commission (unless the Commission directs otherwise), and challenges to Capacity Clearing Prices resulting from the Forward Capacity Auction shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.8.2(c).

III.13.8.2. Filing of Forward Capacity Auction Results and Challenges Thereto.

(a) As soon as practicable after the Forward Capacity Auction is complete, the ISO shall file the results of that Forward Capacity Auction with the Commission pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, including the final set of Capacity Zones resulting from the auction, the Capacity Clearing Price in each of those Capacity Zones (and the Capacity Clearing Price associated with certain imports pursuant to Section III.13.2.3.3(d), if applicable), the substitution auction clearing prices and the total amount of payments associated with any demand bids cleared at a substitution auction clearing price above their demand bid prices, and a list of which resources received Capacity Supply Obligations in each Capacity Zone and the amount of those Capacity Supply Obligations. Upon completion of the fourth and future auctions, such list of resources that receive Capacity Supply Obligation shall also specify which
resources cleared as Conditional Qualified New Resources. Upon completion of the fourth and future auctions, the filing shall also list each Long Lead Time Facility, as defined in Schedule 22 or Schedule 25 of Section II of the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, that secured a Queue Position to participate as a New Generating Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Auction and each resource with lower queue priority that was selected in the Forward Capacity Auction subject to a Long Lead Time Facility with the higher queue priority. The filing shall also enumerate de-list bids rejected for reliability reasons pursuant to Section III.13.2.5.2.5, and the reasons for those rejections.

(b) The filing of Forward Capacity Auction results made pursuant to this Section III.13.8.2 shall also include documentation regarding the competitiveness of the Forward Capacity Auction, which may include a certification from the auctioneer and the ISO that: (i) all entities offering and bidding in the Forward Capacity Auction were properly qualified in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.1; and (ii) the Forward Capacity Auction was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section III.13.

(c) Any objection to the Forward Capacity Auction results must be filed with the Commission within 45 days after the ISO’s filing of the Forward Capacity Auction results. The filing of a timely objection with the Commission will be the exclusive means of challenging the Forward Capacity Auction results.

(d) Any change to the Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff affecting the Forward Capacity Market or the Forward Capacity Auction that is filed after the results of a Forward Capacity Auction have been accepted or approved by the Commission shall not affect those Forward Capacity Auction results.
I. WITNESS IDENTIFICATION

Q: Please state your name, position and business address.

A: My name is Christopher Geissler. I am an Economist for ISO New England Inc. (the “ISO”). My business address is One Sullivan Road, Holyoke, Massachusetts 01040.

Q: Please describe your responsibilities, work experience and educational background.

A: My primary responsibilities include wholesale electricity market design and development, with an emphasis on the ISO’s Forward Capacity Market. Among other projects, I served as the project lead on the ISO’s development of reliability-based zonal demand curves. The related filing was accepted by the Commission.

1 Capitalized terms used but not defined in this testimony are intended to have the meaning given to such terms in the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (the “Tariff”), the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement and the Participants Agreement.
in 2016 in Docket No. ER16-434, and helped to develop the ISO’s pioneering
two-settlement capacity market design (also known as the “Pay for Performance”
capacity market design) that was accepted by the Commission in 2014 in Docket
No. ER14-2419.

I am an instructor for the energy market sections of the ISO’s Wholesale Energy
Markets course for ISO staff and Market Participants. Prior to joining the ISO in
2013, I received an M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics from Duke University, where I
conducted research on competition in regulated industries.

Q: **What role did you play in the development of the ISO’s design to**
**accommodate sponsored policy resources into competitive markets, which is**
**outlined in this testimony?**

A: I served as the ISO’s project lead for developing the ISO’s proposal to more
effectively accommodate sponsored policy resources into competitive markets. In
this role, I led a team of qualified professionals, employed by the ISO, consisting
of engineers, economists, optimization specialists, lawyers, data analysts and
information technology experts.

Furthermore, I served as the lead for the ISO’s engagement with its stakeholders
during the set of meetings organized by participants focusing on Integrating
Markets and Public Policy (“IMAPP”). These meetings began in the third quarter
of 2016 and ran until the second quarter of 2017. As the region transitioned from
stakeholders’ solution concepts, I developed and explained the ISO’s proposal in
detail to the region’s stakeholders over the course of a seven-month stakeholder
process in 2017. I co-authored the ISO’s January 2017 discussion paper
regarding stakeholders’ solution concepts during the IMAPP process, and the
ISO’s discussion paper outlining the ISO’s conceptual design. ²

II. PURPOSE AND ORGANIZATION OF TESTIMONY

Q: What is the purpose of your testimony?
A: The purpose of my testimony is to explain the ISO’s proposal to more effectively
accommodate resources that are procured outside of the ISO-administered
wholesale markets to meet state policy objectives (“policy resources”) into the
ISO’s competitive markets.

Q: Please provide a high-level overview of the ISO’s proposal to more effectively
accommodate sponsored policy resources into the Forward Capacity Market.
A: As the Commission is aware, the ISO and its stakeholders have been working for
some time to develop a better approach to accommodate sponsored policy
resources and their market impacts into the FCM. In developing a new approach,
the ISO and stakeholders have identified a range of important design objectives.
Unfortunately, there is a fundamental tension between two of these objectives that

² These discussion papers are available at https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/03/iso-
ne_jan_2017_imapp_memo_vtransmit2.pdf and https://www.iso-ne.com/static-
requires a careful balance in the design. First, the design should retain
competitively-based Forward Capacity Market prices, to ensure that the region
can continue to attract competitive entry cost-effectively when needed. Second,
the design should accommodate, over time, the entry of sponsored policy
resources that require out-of-market revenues into the Forward Capacity Market.

As discussed in detail in this testimony, the ISO’s proposal is based on sound
economic foundations and appropriately balances these two objectives. It
introduces a new, voluntary market called a substitution auction that is conducted
immediately after the primary Forward Capacity Auction (“FCA”) each year. The
primary auction is conducted like the FCA today, where resources wishing to sell
capacity submit supply offers and delist bids. In the primary auction, a Minimum
Offer Price Rule (“MOPR”) prevents new resources from including some forms
of revenue received outside of the ISO-administered markets (or “out-of-market
revenue”) in offer prices to avoid the FCA from clearing at a price below its
competitively-based level.

The substitution auction is conducted immediately after the primary auction. In
this ‘secondary’ market, existing resources that sold capacity in the primary
auction may choose to transfer their Capacity Supply Obligations (“CSOs”) to
new sponsored resources that wish to sell capacity, but did not clear in the first
auction because the MOPR prevented them from offering their capacity at a low
price that accounts for their out-of-market revenue.
The combination of the primary auction and the new substitution auction is a two-stage, or sequential, auction approach that employs the standard two-settlement design used in many ISO markets. In this case, the substitution auction coordinates the entry of new policy resources into the FCM with the exit of existing resources that are willing to “buy out” of their obligation and retire at a price that is less than or equal to the primary auction clearing price. This framework serves to meet the design objectives identified earlier, notably the retention of competitively-based capacity prices while also accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time.

Q: How is your testimony organized?

A: Following this introductory section, the testimony is organized as follows:

・ Section III discusses the rationale for the substitution auction, including concerns that the existing rules will not be able to adequately accommodate policy resources into the FCM while retaining competitive prices.

・ Section IV explains the design objectives that the design seeks to satisfy.

・ Section V describes the key components of the substitution auction, including how supply and demand in the auction are determined, how it interacts with the primary auction, and how the capacity market settles. This section
includes a numerical example that walks through both stages of the FCA in
detail in a simplified framework.

- Section VI discusses the eligibility criteria to participate in the substitution
  auction as either supply or demand. It also explains why the substitution
  auction does not allow competitive new resources to participate as demand.

- Section VII explains how resource participation in the primary auction
  interacts with that in the substitution auction. This section includes discussion
  of the bid flexibility features that are part of the design, and how the
  introduction of a substitution auction may impact clearing prices in the
  primary auction.

- Section VIII discusses how the substitution auction determines which supply
  offers and demand bids are accepted, and how the substitution auction
  clearing prices are determined. This includes numerous graphical examples
  and considers cases where there is only one capacity zone, as well as cases
  with multiple capacity zones.

- Finally, Section IX outlines numerous other elements of the design including
  how the introduction of a substitution introduces new actions and deadlines to
  the FCA calendar, how reliability reviews are conducted for existing resources
  that seek to retire via the substitution auction, how existing rules governing
primary auction bids are incorporated into the substitution auction, and how
the substitution auction interacts with the retirement reforms that were
approved by the Commission in 2016.³

III. RATIONALE FOR A SUBSTITUTION AUCTION TO BETTER
ACCOMMODATE SPONSORED POLICY RESOURCES

Q: Please summarize developments in New England concerning state support
for new renewable resources.

A: Over the past fifteen years, the New England states have sought to reduce
greenhouse gas emissions and meet climate goals through various mechanisms.
More recently, some states have enacted legislation to promote the development
of specific state-preferred new generation resources, including various types of
non-emitting (or “clean”) electricity generation technologies. Many of these new
resources are expected to be supported, in significant part, by mandates that state-
regulated retail utilities enter into long-term contracts with the resources’
developers. These contracts are often termed ‘out-of-market contracts’ because
they are arranged outside the ISO-administered competitive wholesale markets,
and because they may provide greater compensation to the preferred resources’
developers than the region’s competitive markets would otherwise tender.

³ The retirement reforms were approved by the Commission in Docket No. ER16-551-000.
Q: How have concerns about out-of-market contracts in the region evolved?

A: Concerns about out-of-market contracting have grown over the last several years as some of the New England states pursue contracts for the development of significant new resources under the Multi-State Clean Energy request for proposals, and the clean energy procurements required by the 2016 Massachusetts Energy Diversity Act.

These expected procurements represent a potentially significant increase in the quantities of qualified capacity receiving out-of-market contracts. The approximate size, type, and target delivery year for the new resources procured by these efforts are shown in Table III.1.

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Q: At a high level, how do these concerns relate to the FCM?

A: As outlined above, the quantity of new resources receiving out-of-market revenue is expected to grow as states seek to meet their legislative mandates. Much of this capacity is not expected to clear in the FCA because the ISO has the MOPR, which prevents new resources from accounting for many sources of out-of-market
revenue in their offer price. Without such revenue, these resources would require
a very high capacity payment to be developed.

If these policy resources are unable to sell capacity in the FCA but are built
nonetheless, this capacity is not counted towards meeting New England’s
resource adequacy objectives, and the region may therefore procure more capacity
than is actually needed. Such an outcome would represent a costly and inefficient
use of society’s resources. The states have characterized this outcome as
customers ‘paying twice’ since they would (i) pay outside the ISO wholesale
administered markets to develop the policy resources (where these payments
would be greater than if these policy resources earned capacity market revenues,
and therefore required less out-of-market revenue) and (ii) buy duplicative
capacity through the FCM because these policy resources are not counted towards
meeting the region’s resource adequacy objectives.

The elimination of the MOPR provides one path to address this concern of
inefficient overbuild, as it would ensure that policy resources are able to reduce
their FCA offer price to account for out-of-market revenue. As a result, these
resources would be counted towards meeting the region’s resource adequacy
objectives, and the paying twice concern would be ameliorated. However,
elimination of the MOPR would introduce a host of new issues and concerns, as it
would allow FCA prices to be suppressed below what they would otherwise be if
all resources offered at a price that did not account for out-of-market revenue (the
“competitively-based price”). This possibility of suppressed price would dissuade
investors from developing competitive projects when the region requires them (or
lead them to increase their offer price to account for the risk of reduced capacity
payments in future years), and increase capacity costs in the long-term.

Thus, the central question that the region must address is how to accommodate
policy resources into the capacity market to avoid inefficient overbuild (and the
“paying twice” outcome) while also retaining capacity prices that are
competitively-based in order to attract competitive investment when the region
requires it.

Q: Can you explain these concerns surrounding overbuild and competitive
capacity prices further?
A: Yes. But first, it may be useful to walk through how the existing MOPR works,
since that rule impacts the treatment of these policy resources in the FCA. I will
then explain the concerns with overbuild and competitive capacity prices, and the
tension between them, in more detail.

Q: How are resources with out-of-market contracts currently treated in the
Forward Capacity Auction?
A: Under current market rules, new resources are subject to a MOPR that prevents
new resources from offering into the FCA at prices below the value at which they
would willingly offer if they were not receiving any out-of-market revenues.
Under current rules, a limited quantity of renewable capacity may bypass the MOPR and offer into the FCA at any price it chooses under the Renewable Technology Resource (“RTR”) exemption. This exemption is discussed in more detail later in this section.

**Q:** Please describe the rationale behind the ISO’s MOPR provisions.

**A:** The MOPR aims to protect the capacity market against scenarios where a new resource reflects out-of-market revenue in its offer price, thereby reducing the Capacity Clearing Price that is paid to all resources (including those not receiving out-of-market revenues) below the level that would be paid if the new resource had instead submitted an offer price that did not account for its out-of-market revenue. Throughout this testimony, I refer to this higher price as the competitively-based capacity price, as this is the price that the market would see if all resources’ revenues were determined solely by the ISO-administered competitive wholesale markets.

**Q:** Can you provide an example where a resource that received out-of-market revenue would reduce the Capacity Clearing Price below its competitive level if there was not a MOPR?

**A:** Yes. Figure III.1 illustrates the price impact of a single new resource, which I will denote by the letter “S” (for “sponsored”), in a scenario where it receives out-of-market revenue that is reflected in its supply offer price in the FCA. In each graph, the upward stair-step lines (in blue) depict hypothetical supply curves in
the FCA; each “step” represents an offer price and quantity for a different supply
resource. The downward sloping lines (in red) represent hypothetical demand
curves in the FCA. Note that the actual capacity demand curves in ISO New
England’s FCA are curved, not straight lines, but – for simplicity – here I
represent them using straight lines, as that will not alter the conclusions of this
example.

The left panel below shows the market clearing price and quantity, denoted by Q*
and P* respectively, when resource S is unable to offer at a low price because of
the MOPR. In this situation, resource S does not clear the capacity auction, and
does not receive a CSO.

Now, let’s contrast that outcome with the situation in the right panel below, where
resource S is able to profitably reduce its offer price below its competitive level
due to the additional, out-of-market revenues it receives. In the absence of a
MOPR, its reduced offer price would enable resource S to clear – that is, to sell its
capacity – in the FCA. Because resource S clears, its additional capacity thereby
increases the market’s total cleared quantity to a new, greater level denoted by Q’.
Because the demand curve is downward sloping, this greater total quantity also
results in a lower FCA market clearing price than would occur if resource S did
not receive any out-of-market revenue. The lower clearing price is labeled P’.
This reduction in clearing prices, that is, the lower value of $P'$ relative to the competitively-based capacity price of $P^*$, is commonly called the “price suppressive” effect of out-of-market revenues.

**Figure III.1**

Q: **How is the MOPR applied in practice?**

A: The MOPR is applied to all new resources (except those that qualify for the RTR exemption) that seek to sell capacity in New England. Each type of capacity supply has a technology-specific Offer Review Trigger Price (“ORTP”) that represents a reasonable estimate of the minimum capacity price that a resource of that technology type would need to recover its costs in New England, in the absence of various proscribed out-of-market revenues. Developers are permitted to submit documentation to support a lower price than an ORTP as reflecting a

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4 See ISO Market Rule 1 Section III.A.21.1
competitive offer price for their specific resources, and such requests are reviewed
by the Internal Market Monitor ("IMM").

Ultimately, each new resource participating in the Forward Capacity Auction
receives an Offer Floor Price which is no greater than the resource’s ORTP value,
but may be lower in cases where the resource was able to provide documentation
supporting lower costs and/or higher revenues (excluding out-of-market revenues)
than were applied in the ORTP calculation. This resource-specific Offer Floor
Price represents the lowest offer price that the resource can submit in the FCA.

Q: Are the MOPR provisions applied only in cases where the intent is to reduce
capacity prices through the exercise of buyer-side market power?
A: No. The MOPR provisions are applied to all new resources (except those that
qualify for the RTR exemption) in order to prevent the Capacity Clearing Price
from falling below its competitively-based level. Importantly, the MOPR is not
limited to preventing price suppression in cases where an entity explicitly
attempts to exercise buyer-side market power. Rather the MOPR seeks to prevent
the price suppressive effects that are consistent with buyer-side market power,
without attempting to discern or require the ISO to adjudicate whether the new
sponsored resources (and their sponsors) seek to impact capacity market prices.
Q: Does the MOPR as currently constructed represent an efficient means to prevent inefficient overbuild while retaining competitively-based capacity prices?

A: No. Previously, the MOPR may have deterred the development of resources outside of ISO administered wholesale markets, but the states appear likely to develop new policy resources to meet their legislative mandates even if these resources are forced to remain outside of the Forward Capacity Market. In such cases, the MOPR will fail to adequately address the inefficient overbuild concern.

Q: Given that the MOPR may not prevent inefficient overbuild, is it important to retain going forward?

A: Yes. Although the MOPR fails to adequately address the inefficient overbuild concern, it remains critical in ensuring competitively-based capacity prices. If this provision was removed, these policy resources could reduce their offer price in the FCA to reflect out-of-market revenue. Allowing such offers may suppress FCA clearing prices and impact the willingness of developers to bring new resources to the region when they are needed. More specifically, investors will anticipate reduced future capacity prices, and therefore may require a greater payment up front (i.e., in the year in which they first clear), and this could actually lead to increased capacity costs and volatility in the region.

Because the MOPR plays a critical role in ensuring competitively-based capacity prices, it remains an important part of any solution going forward. However,
additional provisions are necessary to fully address the inefficient overbuild concern associated with policy procurements.

Q: Under current rules, are there any exceptions where the MOPR provisions are not applied that may help to avoid this overbuild concern?

A: Yes. When working with stakeholders to develop the sloped demand curves in 2014, NEPOOL reached consensus on a negotiated package that included both an initial linear system demand curve and the RTR exemption that allows a limited quantity of new resources to circumvent the MOPR provisions. The ISO filed this package, which was ultimately approved by the Commission in 2014, in Docket No. ER 14–1639.

Q: What capacity is eligible to bypass the MOPR under the RTR exemption?

A: The RTR exemption allows a limited quantity of new capacity that meets certain state environmental policy objectives established as of January 1, 2014 to be exempt from the MOPR. Capacity that qualifies for the RTR exemption is therefore permitted to offer into the FCA at any price it chooses, even if its competitive price would be high.
Q: Would the continuation of the RTR exemption from the MOPR effectively prevent the overbuild concern in the near future, while retaining competitively-based capacity prices?

A: No. The RTR exemption is unlikely to accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM effectively in the future, as procurements increase and new types of capacity supply are contracted. Furthermore, it also fails to retain competitively-based capacity prices.

Q: How does the existing RTR exemption from the MOPR fail to prevent the overbuild?

A: The RTR exemption is not available to some technology types that may be pursued by (one or more) New England states to meet legislative mandates. For example, Massachusetts’ 2016 Energy Diversity Act calls for the state’s utilities to procure approximately 1,200 MW of clean energy generation from large-scale imported hydropower, which is a resource type that did not qualify under state standards or goals in effect on January 1, 2014 and, therefore, cannot qualify for the RTR exemption. If Massachusetts purchases this imported hydropower to comply with its legislative mandates, but this hydropower cannot sell its capacity because of the MOPR provisions, the region will experience the inefficient overbuild concern discussed earlier.

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5 Technically, the relevant requirement under Massachusetts’ Act to Promote Energy Diversity is for clean energy generation of electricity equal to approximately 9,450,000 megawatt-hours annually. For purposes of discussion, this requirement is commonly described as representing 1,200 MW of hydropower capacity. The statute also aims to procure 1,600 MW of offshore wind capacity.
Furthermore, the existing RTR exemption places a fixed limit on the quantity of new capacity that can bypass the MOPR provision. This cap value is administratively determined and not related to current market conditions. As a result, there may be cases where a market-based mechanism would accommodate more sponsored policy resources into the FCM than are permitted under the RTR exemption’s administrative cap value.

Q: Why does the RTR exemption from the MOPR fail to retain competitively-based capacity prices?

A: New capacity that receives the RTR exemption may price its capacity below its competitive value in the FCA to reflect its out-of-market revenue. When this offer price reduction leads the exempt resource to sell its capacity in the FCA, it increases the total cleared capacity quantity, and reduces the FCA clearing price below its competitively-based capacity level.

Q: Based on these observations that the RTR exemption may not adequately ensure competitively-based capacity prices or prevent inefficient overbuild, does the ISO propose to discontinue this provision as part of its proposal?

A: Yes. The ISO’s proposal will replace the RTR exemption with a market-based mechanism that seeks to better ensure competitively-based capacity prices while also addressing the overbuild concern.
Q: Does the ISO propose to end the RTR exemption abruptly with the introduction of its new proposal to accommodate policy resources into the FCM, or phase this provision out?

A: The ISO’s proposal phases the RTR exemption out, as abrupt changes to existing market rules can have adverse impacts on investments already underway and contracts that have been negotiated. In order to minimize this effect, the ISO proposes a three-year phase-out of the RTR exemption.

Q: Please describe this phase-out in greater detail.

A: The existing RTR exemption from the MOPR includes a “carry over” provision that allows RTR MWs that are not used in one auction to be added to the cap in the next auction (where this cap cannot exceed 600 MW). For the twelfth Forward Capacity Auction to be conducted in February, 2018 (where the ISO’s proposal would not yet be in effect), the cap is equal to 514 MW.

The ISO’s proposal limits the total capacity quantity that receives that RTR exemption in future auctions to the 514 MW cap quantity being carried into the twelfth FCA. Furthermore, the ISO proposes to permanently remove the RTR exemption for the sixteenth FCA. As a result, any remaining RTR exemption MW that are not used by resources in or prior to the fifteenth FCA cannot be used in a later auction.
Q: Can you provide a numerical example illustrating how this cap quantity would decrease between auctions under the ISO’s proposed phase out?

A: Yes. As stated above, the cap quantity for FCA 12 is 514 MW. Imagine that in FCA 12, 200 MW of capacity receive the RTR exemption. The cap quantity in FCA 13 would be reduced by this quantity to 314 MW. If another 200 MW of capacity received the RTR exemption in FCA 13, then the cap quantity would again be reduced by this quantity to 114 MW in FCA 14. If this entire 114 MW was used in FCA 14, the RTR exemption would effectively be discontinued after FCA 14 since no capacity could use the provision in FCA 15.

Q: In response to these concerns about the MOPR’s ability to prevent inefficient overbuild and the RTR exemption’s impact on capacity prices, did the ISO develop a principles-based approach that more effectively addresses these issues?

A: Yes. Before developing a conceptual proposal, the ISO started with a set of design objectives that it seeks to satisfy. These objectives, and the rationale behind them, are discussed in greater detail in the following section. Using these objectives, the ISO then developed its proposal. This proposal seeks to produce competitive auctions with sponsored policy resources (the “CASPR proposal”) by introducing a substitution auction that is conducted as part of the FCA.
IV. THE CASPR PROPOSAL IS BASED ON SOUND DESIGN OBJECTIVES

Q: How did the ISO develop its CASPR proposal?
A: As with most large projects, the ISO began by identifying a set of design objectives that it sought to satisfy with its proposal. These objectives should be well understood and broadly consistent with sound market design principles. Once these objectives were identified, we began to consider various conceptual approaches to evaluate whether each would satisfy these objectives.

Q: What design objectives did the ISO seek to satisfy?
A: The ISO identified four design objectives that it sought to satisfy in its proposal.

1. **Competitive capacity pricing.** Maintain competitively-based capacity auction prices by minimizing the price-suppressive effect of out-of-market subsidies on competitive (i.e., unsubsidized) resources in the FCA.

2. **Accommodate the entry of subsidized new resources into the FCM over time.** In doing so, the ISO’s market rules should help to minimize the potential for New England to develop more resources than the ISO requires to reliably operate the power system.

3. **Avoid cost shifts.** To the extent possible, minimize the potential for one state’s consumers to bear the costs of other states’ subsidies.

4. **A transparent, market-based approach.** Seek a practical solution approach that extends, rather than upends, the region’s existing capacity market framework.
Q: Please explain the rationale behind design objective 1, which seeks to preserve competitive capacity pricing.

A: The capacity market aims to procure sufficient generation to meet the region’s resource adequacy objectives in a cost-effective manner. To meet this objective, it must therefore incent competitive new entry at a reasonable cost when the region would otherwise be short. If out-of-market revenues paid to sponsored policy resources may cause capacity prices to fall below their competitively-based level, investors may logically hesitate to incur the sunk costs of entering the market – or do so only with much greater risk premiums. This risk could raise the net cost of new entry substantially over time, and inefficiently undermine the cost-effectiveness of the capacity market to the detriment of consumers.

Q: Is this concern well understood in the economics literature?

A: Yes. This form of regulatory risk is sometimes called a “ratchet effect.” In the present context, this term refers to the phenomenon in which, each time new capacity must be procured, the offer price ratchets higher due to successive investors’ expectations that their future returns (after their initial capacity contract expires) will be foreclosed by subsequent state actions. A thoughtful treatment of these issues in the regulatory economics literature is provided in JJ. Laffont and J. Tirole, *A Theory of Incentives in Procurement and Regulation*, Chapter 9 (MIT Press, 1993).
Q: Please explain the rationale behind design objective 2, which aims to accommodate resources receiving out-of-market revenue into the FCM.

A: Under the status quo, the pace and extent of possible procurements of new state-sponsored resources could result in the development of substantially more total electric generation resources on the power system than the ISO requires to reliably operate it – an inefficient and costly outcome for society. As explained in the previous section, a market distorted by excess and unnecessary supply would force consumers to “pay twice” for capacity as they must fully subsidize sponsored resources that are unable to earn capacity base payments, and they must also pay for capacity that is counted towards meeting the region’s resource adequacy objectives. This second design objective therefore seeks to address this paying twice concern by accommodating policy resources receiving out-of-market revenue into the FCM.

Q: Please explain the rationale behind design objective 3, which seeks to avoid shifting the costs associated with public policy resources to consumers who are not in the state that is supporting these public policies.

A: During stakeholder discussions, the New England states indicated a concern with any approach that could lead the consumers in one state to pay for the environmental policies of another state. The ISO agrees that such outcomes would be concerning because they would shift the costs away from consumers in the state that enacted the policy, who (generally) serve as its primary beneficiaries. Such an outcome would be inconsistent with the beneficiary pays
principle of cost allocation that is employed across a range of ISO-administered
markets.

**Q:** Please explain the rationale behind design objective 4, which aims to produce
a transparent, market-based approach.

**A:** The ISO sought to develop a proposal that is robust and will continue to function
properly as market fundamentals change over time, and will not need to be
repeatedly revisited as the economic environment evolves. This objective
requires that the solution approach employ sound economic principles where
possible.

**Q:** Does the ISO’s proposal perfectly accomplish each of these four design
objectives?

**A:** Not completely. Most prominently, the first two of these design objectives are in
fundamental tension, and a design that fully satisfies design objective 1 in all
scenarios tends to perform worse with respect to design objective 2, and vice
versa. As a result, the ISO recognized that any proposal intended to satisfy the
first two objectives must strike a sensible balance between these design
objectives.
Q: Can you provide an example illustrating how an approach that performs well with respect to design objective 1 may perform poorly with respect to design objective 2, and vice versa?

A: Yes. Consider, as a simple hypothetical example, a design that retains the existing MOPR and that simply eliminates the RTR exemption. Under such an approach, high-cost sponsored policy resources may never be able to sell their capacity in the FCA. This would perform well with respect to design objective 1 as it would prevent these (uneconomic) sponsored policy resources from suppressing FCA clearing prices, thereby preserving competitively-based capacity prices for the region’s other, unsponsored supply resources. However, for this same reason, such an approach would fail to satisfy the second design objective. These sponsored policy resources, if built nonetheless through state support, would permanently sit outside of the FCM, leading the region to procure more resources than are needed to reliably operate New England’s power system and requiring consumers to “pay twice” for capacity.

On the other end of the spectrum, a design that removes the MOPR provision would be fully consistent with design objective 2, as it would allow all sponsored policy resources to reflect their out-of-market revenues in their supply offer prices and thereby successfully sell capacity in the FCM. However, this framework would fail to ensure that the region retains competitively-based capacity prices. Rather, the participation of sponsored policy resources at low supply offer prices would increase the total quantity of cleared capacity and reduce the market
clearing capacity price below its competitively-based level. As discussed above, this concern would increase the risk associated with developing competitive new resources in New England, likely increasing costs to consumers over time.

Q: Does the ISO’s proposal balance these design objectives in an appropriate manner?

A: Yes. While there is no design that perfectly achieves each of the four principal design objectives across all possible future market conditions, the ISO’s proposal strikes an appropriate balance that accommodates sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time while ensuring that competitively-based capacity prices are not undermined.

This tradeoff is discussed in more detail throughout the testimony below, as it informs many of the design decisions that were made with respect to substitution auction eligibility criteria (discussed in Section VI) and how the substitution auction coordinates entry and exit between capacity zones (Section VIII).
V. OVERVIEW OF THE CASPR PROPOSAL AND THE SUBSTITUTION AUCTION

A. The ISO’s proposal introduces an incremental “substitution auction” that coordinates the entry of sponsored policy resources with the exit of existing capacity.

Q: At a high level, how does the ISO’s proposal accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM while retaining competitively-based prices?

A: The ISO’s proposal introduces a second stage to the Forward Capacity Auction. In the first stage (the primary auction), the ISO buys capacity on behalf of consumers using substantively similar rules and processes as today. The primary auction uses a descending clock framework to award CSOs to new and existing capacity suppliers that submit priced supply offers. Like today, demand in the primary auction is specified using system and zonal demand curves that are based on capacity’s marginal reliability impact.

Promptly after this first stage is complete, the substitution auction will be conducted as a new, second stage of the annual FCA process. In this second stage, the substitution auction coordinates (1) the entry of sponsored policy resources that were unable to sell their capacity in the first stage of the FCA, and (2) the permanent exit of existing resources that sold capacity in the first stage, but are willing to ‘buy out’ of this obligation in the substitution auction and permanently exit all markets. In this way, high-cost sponsored policy resources that are not able to clear economically in the primary auction – where the MOPR prevents them from reflecting out-of-market revenues in their offer prices – are
able to acquire CSOs in a voluntary, secondary market where the MOPR will not be applied.

Participation in this second stage is entirely voluntary both for sponsored policy resources that seek to sell capacity and for existing resources that elect to buy out of their obligations. Importantly, because the substitution auction will coordinate the entry and exit of capacity on a MW-for-MW basis, the total quantity of capacity cleared in the primary auction is generally not changed by the second stage’s substitution auction.

In a narrow set of circumstances, sponsored policy resources may replace “proxy MW” that were cleared on behalf of certain resources that retired in the primary auction, but do not represent actual capacity. Such circumstances are excluded from the discussion here for simplicity, but are explained in greater detail in Section IX.D.

Q: Does the substitution auction use a sealed bid format?
A: Yes. Supply offers and demand bids are collected from market participants several months before the substitution auction is run. The timing of when these bids are finalized, and how they may be modified to provide consistency between primary auction outcomes and substitution auction bid/offer parameters is discussed in more detail in Section IX.
Q: Does the ISO’s proposal change how the primary auction is conducted in the first stage?

A: With respect to the primary auction’s design and mechanics, no. The existing MOPR that protects against price suppression in the FCA remains in effect in the first stage. Because the first stage’s capacity clearing price determines the capacity payment rate for competitive supply and will therefore tend to drive commercial investment decisions in competitive resources, the retention of the existing MOPR provisions ensures that the proposal meets design objective 1 described in Section IV.

There is one significant change to the primary auction relative to current rules. As discussed in Section III earlier, the filing phases out the existing RTR exemption that allows qualifying new resources to administratively circumvent the MOPR provisions.

Q: What constitutes supply in the substitution auction?

A: In the substitution auction, supply is comprised of capacity supply offers from new resources that voluntarily elect to participate in the substitution auction. Participating resources are subject to certain qualification and eligibility requirements, including that they are sponsored policy resources, as explained further below. Importantly, the MOPR is not applied to supply offers in the substitution auction.
Q: Please explain why the MOPR is not applied in the substitution auction.

A: The MOPR prevents a sponsored policy resource from accounting for certain out-of-market revenues in its first stage, or primary auction, supply offer price. In some circumstances, this may prevent a sponsored policy resource from clearing even though it would willingly accept a CSO at the primary auction clearing price. In such cases, in the substitution auction, the sponsored policy resource may submit a supply offer at its preferred (lower) price that fully accounts for its out-of-market revenue.

In the substitution auction, this sponsored policy resource has the opportunity to sell its capacity if its true willingness to sell capacity falls below the maximum price that an existing resource is willing to pay to buy out of its obligation in this second stage. This key feature helps the design achieve its second objective, as it provides sponsored policy resources the opportunity to fully reflect their out-of-market revenue in their substitution auction offer price, and potentially displace existing resources that sold capacity in the primary auction.

Q: Do sponsored policy resources that sold their capacity in the primary auction participate as supply in the substitution auction?

A: No. Supply offers in the substitution auction represent offers to sell capacity in this second stage. Sponsored policy resources that already sold their capacity in the first stage do not have anything additional to sell in the substitution auction. This is analogous to reconfiguration auctions, where a resource that has already
sold its capacity cannot submit a supply offer for this same capacity again – that
would constitute selling the same good twice.

Q: Are competitive resources that did not sell their capacity in the primary
auction permitted to participate as supply in the substitution auction?
A: No. The proposal aims to accommodate new sponsored policy resources into the
FCM. It does not seek to accommodate competitive resources that can fully
reflect their costs in the primary auction offer price, and therefore do not need the
substitution auction to sell their capacity.

Q: Are existing resources that have previously sold capacity in the FCM eligible
to participate as supply in the substitution auction?
A: No. The substitution auction is intended to accommodate sponsored policy
resources into the FCM that might otherwise be unable to do so under current
rules. Existing resources are not subject to the MOPR and therefore do not
require a substitution auction to sell their capacity. More specifically, existing
resources can submit de-list bids (which are analogous to a supply offer from a
new resource) at a price that accounts for out-of-market revenue, and are also
permitted to act as a price taker in the primary auction, thereby ensuring that they
sell their capacity at the higher primary auction price.
Q: What constitutes demand in the substitution auction?

A: The demand side of the voluntary substitution auction is comprised of auction-specific bids from existing capacity resources to “buy out” their CSOs. In this way, the existing resources transfer their CSOs to the sponsored policy resources with which they are (anonymously) matched, on price, through the substitution auction clearing process.

Stated in more precise terms, to participate as demand in the substitution auction, an existing capacity resource must (i) have sold capacity in the primary auction (and therefore have a CSO for the relevant Capacity Commitment Period to transfer to others), (ii) voluntarily elect to ‘buy out’ of this obligation (at a maximum price of its choosing), and (iii) if cleared in the substitution auction (thereby transferring its CSO), then permanently exit all markets. Substitution auction demand is composed of these voluntary bids from existing capacity resources, where the bid quantity represents the existing resource’s CSO MW and the bid price represents the maximum price at which the existing resource would willingly buy out of its obligation and permanently retire.

Q: Can existing resources that did not sell capacity in the primary auction participate as demand in the substitution auction?

A: No. In order to ‘buy out’ of an obligation in the substitution auction, a resource must have sold (that is, acquired) that obligation, for the corresponding Capacity Commitment Period, in the primary auction. As a result, an existing resource can
only participate as demand in the substitution auction with capacity it previously sold in the first stage.

This is analogous to the rules governing reconfiguration auctions, where a resource can only submit a demand bid to buy out of a CSO that it has already sold forward for the corresponding Capacity Commitment Period.

Q: Does the substitution auction include an administrative demand curve, or supply offers and demand bids submitted on behalf of the ISO?

A: No. As stated earlier, the substitution auction is a wholly voluntary, secondary market. It serves as a mechanism to coordinate the entry of sponsored policy resources (supply) with the exit of existing resources (demand) promptly after the conclusion of the primary auction.

As a voluntary market, the ISO does not tender supply or demand bids in lieu of participants seeking to buy or sell capacity in the substitution auction. Nor will it submit administrative demand curves for capacity in the substitution auction (excepting with respect to Proxy Demand Bids, as discussed in Section IX), since all of the capacity that the ISO is required to procure has already been procured (in accordance with capacity’s marginal reliability impact) in the primary auction.
Further, this approach ensures that total system capacity is unchanged in the second stage as each CSO MW that is acquired (that is, sold by) a sponsored policy resource is transferred from (that is, bought out by) an existing resource.

Q: What are the obligations associated with capacity sold by sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction?

A: The obligations are no different than if the sponsored policy resource had acquired its CSO in the primary auction. The resource acquires all of the obligations belonging to a CSO as provided under the existing ISO Tariff, including the same obligations as all other capacity resources to provide energy and reserves during scarcity events under the FCM’s Pay for Performance construct.

Q: Do those provisions extend to how new capacity resources that first clear in the substitution auction are treated in subsequent FCAs?

A: Yes, this treatment extends to how a sponsored policy resource participates in future FCAs. More specifically, a new sponsored policy resource that clears in the substitution auction is considered an existing resource in future FCAs. As a result, after it clears in the substitution auction, it is no longer subject to the MOPR provisions and can offer to sell its capacity in the primary auction at a delist bid price that may reflect any ongoing out-of-market revenues.
Of course, regardless of whether a new generation facility is a sponsored policy resource or not, once a new generator is developed and commercially operating, much of its total costs become sunk costs. As a result, we tend to expect that such a resource would have low going-forward costs (and, depending on its assessment of various Pay for Performance risks, potentially low delist bid prices) in future FCAs.

Q: Please explain further why sponsored policy resources that clear in the substitution auction are treated as existing in future FCAs?

A: The sponsored policy resource obtained the CSO from an existing resource that permanently retires. It is therefore appropriate that, in taking the place of an existing resource, it is afforded similar treatment to ensure that the capacity that enters is similarly situated to that of the retiring resource.

If a *de facto* existing sponsored policy resource in later FCAs was nevertheless treated as “new” (notwithstanding that logical contradiction), the outcomes would be inconsistent with CASPR’s central design objectives. Specifically, in that instance, the “new” sponsored policy resource would remain subject to the MOPR provisions and may not be able to sell its capacity in the primary auction as a result. This outcome is inconsistent with design objective 2 – the entry of the sponsored policy resource is not being accommodated, except for a perfunctory initial year of a presumably long-lived capacity investment.
Additionally, if this de facto existing sponsored policy resource was treated as
new and therefore continued to participate in future substitution auctions, it would
introduce an even more significant concern. More specifically, in each
substitution auction in which the de facto existing sponsored policy resource
clears as supply, it would replace an equivalent quantity of existing capacity that
permanently exits the market. If a 100 MW sponsored policy resource clears in
the substitution auction twice, it would therefore replace a total of 200 MW of
existing capacity. Under such circumstances, the substitution auction would no
longer serve as a mechanism to coordinate entry and exit, and would instead
reduce total capacity in the region, thereby increasing capacity prices above their
competitively-based level. This would be a highly undesirable outcome contrary
to design objective 1, as it fails to preserve competitively-based capacity pricing.

Because of these reasons, it is a logical and sensible market design to treat
sponsored policy resources that initially sell their capacity via the substitution
auction as existing resources in subsequent FCAs.

**Q:** What are the obligations associated with existing resources that sold capacity
in the primary auction, and then bought out of this obligation in the
substitution auction?

**A:** These existing resources have bought out of their forward position and therefore
do not have any obligation to deliver energy or reserves during scarcity hours, or
any other capacity supply obligations. Rather, the transferring resource has one
final obligation, to retire and permanently exit all markets – a final obligation for
which it will receive a market-based compensatory “severance” payment (as
discussed further below in this Section).

The CASPR design requires that the transferring resource permanently exit all
markets in order to ensure that the substitution auction coordinates entry and exit,
thereby keeping total system capacity unchanged for the current commitment
period. Furthermore, by prohibiting the existing resource from returning to
participate as existing in a future FCA, this approach prevents the substitution
auction from impacting capacity levels in future FCAs as well.

Q: How does the substitution auction determine which supply offers and
demand bids are accepted?

A: As with the primary auction and other ISO-administered markets, the substitution
auction accepts the set of supply offers and demand bids that maximize social
surplus, based on the prices associated with each offer and bid. In simplified
terms, the substitution auction clearing process seeks to accept any demand bid
with a price higher than the substitution auction clearing price, and to accept any
supply offer with a price lower than the substitution auction clearing price.

In practice, however – and in this respect much like the primary auction – some
existing resources’ substitution auction bids may be “lumpy” (or indivisible), and
the actual clearing process will account for these indivisibilities using a matching
process that will maximize total auction surplus. I will provide a simplified
example of this process shortly, and a more detailed discussion of how the
substitution auction is cleared under a wide range of scenarios in Section VIII.

Q: How does the introduction of a substitution auction impact Forward
Capacity Auction settlements?

A: With the addition of the substitution auction following the primary auction, the
new two-stage FCA will employ the familiar two-settlement design that is applied
across a host of ISO-administered markets. Resources are paid the primary
auction clearing price for capacity sold in the primary auction. Furthermore, they
are paid (charged) the substitution auction clearing price for capacity sold (shed)
in the second, substitution auction stage. In effect, and much like in the ISO’s
real-time energy market settlement, resources that clear in the second stage are
credited or charged at the second-stage clearing price for the “deviation” in their
CSO MW between the first- and second-stage auction awards.

As a result, new sponsored policy resources that initially sell their capacity in the
substitution auction are paid the substitution auction clearing price. Existing
resources that sell their capacity in the primary auction and then buy out of this
obligation in the substitution auction are paid the primary auction clearing price
for each MW of capacity sold in the first stage, and then charged the substitution
auction clearing price for each MW of capacity that is bought out in the second
stage (the “capacity MW deviation” from the first stage).
Q: Why would an existing resource be willing to pay to buy out of its obligation in the substitution auction?

A: Supply offers in the substitution auction will generally be at lower prices (relative to the primary auction), to reflect that sponsored policy resources seeking to sell capacity in it receive out-of-market payments.

Furthermore, demand bids in the substitution auction will tend to be priced below the FCA clearing price, because existing resources would not tend to be willing to buy out of an obligation at a higher price than it received on its initial sale. To do otherwise would be the economic equivalent of “selling low and buying high,” which is generally not a profitable endeavor.

Combined, these two properties will tend to produce a substitution auction clearing price below the primary auction clearing price. As a result, an existing resource that sells capacity in the primary auction at a higher price and then buys out of this obligation in the substitution auction at a lower price will receive a positive FCM payment, on net, equal to this price difference (for each MW of capacity shed).

Importantly, to receive this compensatory “severance payment,” the resource must give up something of value: in this case, its future participation in the ISO-administered markets (foregoing the possibility of future operation and market revenue).
Thus, in an important sense, the two-settlement net payment to existing resources that transfer their obligation and then retire is not “free” money; rather, it comprises market-based compensation that the retiring resource voluntarily agrees to accept in consideration for incurring a real opportunity cost: permanently foregoing any and all future profit in the wholesale markets.

B. **How the substitution auction is integrated into the Forward Capacity Auction: A simple numerical example**

Q: Can you provide a simple numerical example illustrating how the substitution auction interacts with the primary auction and transfers CSOs from existing resources to sponsored policy resources?

A: Yes. Below I will provide a numerical example involving several hypothetical existing and new resources, their bids and offers in both the primary and substitution auctions, and how the outcomes of each auction are determined. This will also show, in some generality, how the two-settlement payments are determined and other important properties of the substitution auction design.

In this simplified example, we assume there is one capacity zone and seven hypothetical resources that seek to sell capacity in the FCA, with offer prices and qualified capacity (in MW) as shown in Table V.1.
<table>
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<tr>
<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>Offer Type</th>
<th>P.A. Offer Price (with MOPR) ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>S.A. Offer/Bid Price ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>Offer Capacity (MW)</th>
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<td>E1</td>
<td>Existing Supply Offer</td>
<td>$4</td>
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<td>300</td>
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<td>Existing Supply Offer</td>
<td>$5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>175</td>
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<td>R1</td>
<td>Retirement Bid</td>
<td>$6</td>
<td>$6</td>
<td>50</td>
</tr>
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<td>Retirement Bid</td>
<td>$7</td>
<td>$7</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$9</td>
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<td>S2</td>
<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$10</td>
<td>$2</td>
<td>75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S3</td>
<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$11</td>
<td>$4</td>
<td>50</td>
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Resources E1 and E2 represent existing suppliers that are relatively new and not considering retirement. These resources submit delist bids in the primary auction (whether static- or dynamic-type delist bids is unimportant here), but choose not to participate in the substitution auction because they do not wish to permanently exit the market.

Resources R1 and R2 represent older existing suppliers that would be willing to retire from the market at the right price; for instance, we might assume that is because they have higher costs and are approaching the end of their economic lives. These resources submit delist bids in the primary auction (whether static or retirement is unimportant here), and choose to submit demand bids to be used in the substitution auction if they sell their capacity in the primary auction.
Resources S1, S2, and S3 represent new sponsored policy resources that have not previously sold capacity in the FCA. Each of these resources has a contract for out-of-market revenues that would allow it to profitably sell its capacity at a price below the competitive level. These resources will choose to offer their capacity in the primary auction at the lowest price permitted by the MOPR. Furthermore, these resources submit lower supply offers for the substitution auction to reflect that they are willing to offer their capacity at a lower price because of their out-of-market revenues.

Q: Why does Table V.1 include two offer prices?

A: The MOPR provisions prevent resources S1, S2, and S3 from fully reflecting their out-of-market revenues in the offer prices applied in the primary auction. However, the MOPR is not applied in the substitution auction, and these sponsored policy resources therefore are able to reduce their offer prices in this second stage. For example, we assume here that resource S1 is prohibited from offering below $9 in the primary auction, as that price is deemed to be the lowest price at which it can competitively sell its capacity under the MOPR. This $9 offer price will therefore be used by resource S1 in the primary auction. However, after accounting for its out-of-market revenue, this resource would actually be willing to sell its capacity at a price of $0. This lower $0 offer price will be used by resource S1 in the substitution auction.

As shown in Table V.1, in this example, we assume that resources R1 and R2 submit demand bid prices in the substitution auction that are the same as their
delist bid prices in the primary auction. This is a simplification for present purposes that will make the following settlement calculations straightforward to interpret.

We note here that, in general, the substitution auction rules will enable existing resources (such as R1 and R2) to choose to offer their capacity at different prices in the primary auction and substitution auction. These are different auctions, and an existing resource may have risk-related economic reasons for providing different prices at which it is willing to sell capacity (in the primary auction) and buy-out capacity subsequently. (The rationale for allowing existing resources to submit a different offer price in the second stage auction is discussed in more detail in Section VII.A of this testimony.)

Q: **How does the primary auction clear in this example?**

A: The primary auction clears using the same process as is applied today. In this example, we set aside the mechanics of the Descending Clock Auction bid-collection process (which are unimportant for present purposes), and assume that process has been completed and produced the final bid and offer prices shown in Table V.1 above. The primary auction’s clearing results can then be illustrated using a familiar FCA supply and demand diagram.

Figure V.2 shows the supply offer prices for all the resources in Table 1, stacked in ascending price order to form the market-level supply curve. Similarly, Figure
V.2 includes an (illustrative) convex system-level capacity demand curve for the FCA. The FCA clearing price in this example is $8/kW-month, and the total cleared capacity is 625 MW.

**Figure V.2**

![Graph showing a convex demand curve with cleared capacity of 625 MW and FCA clearing price at $8/kW-month.]

Table V.3 summarizes these resource-level outcomes of the primary auction. Note that, because the capacity clearing price exceeds the delist bid prices from resources R1 and R2, both of these resources retain their existing capacity obligations in the primary auction. All of the resources with cleared capacity offers are credited at the primary auction clearing price of $8 per kW-month of capacity sold. The monthly primary auction capacity payments shown in the last column of Table V.3 are equal to the product of the cleared capacity MW and capacity clearing price (note this value is multiplied by 1000 to convert the cleared capacity from MW to kW). Because sponsored policy resources S1, S2,
and S3 do not acquire CSOs in the primary auction, they receive no capacity market revenue in the primary auction.

### Table V.3

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<tr>
<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>Offer Type</th>
<th>P.A. Clearing Price ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>P.A. Cleared Capacity (MW)</th>
<th>P.A. Resource Payment ($/mo)</th>
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<tr>
<td>E1</td>
<td>Existing Supply Offer</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>$2.4M</td>
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<td>E2</td>
<td>Existing Supply Offer</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>175</td>
<td>$1.4M</td>
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<td>R1</td>
<td>Retirement Bid</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>$400K</td>
</tr>
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<td>R2</td>
<td>Retirement Bid</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>$800K</td>
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<tr>
<td>S1</td>
<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>S2</td>
<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$8</td>
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<td>S3</td>
<td>New Supply Offer</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td><strong>Auction Totals</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td><strong>625</strong></td>
<td><strong>$5M</strong></td>
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For purposes of discussion later in this section, note that the total capacity payments (*i.e.*, charges to load) for the primary auction are $5 million per month.

**Q:** What supply offers and demand bids are entered into the substitution auction?

**A:** Sponsored policy resources that did not sell capacity in the primary auction, but wish to offer their capacity at a lower price to account for their out-of-market revenues, may submit supply offers in the substitution auction at their preferred prices. In this example, resources S1, S2, and S3 did not sell capacity in the
primary auction, but wish to sell their capacity at a lower price to reflect their out-of-market revenues. Each of these resources therefore offers to sell its capacity in the substitution auction at its preferred price. This preferred price represents the lowest price at which the resource would willingly sell its capacity in the substitution auction. The assumed supply offer prices in the substitution auction from sponsored policy resources S1, S2, and S3 are summarized in Table V.4.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>S.A. Offer Price without MOPR ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>Offer Capacity (MW)</th>
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<tr>
<td>S1</td>
<td>$0</td>
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<tr>
<td>S2</td>
<td>$2</td>
<td>75</td>
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<td>S3</td>
<td>$4</td>
<td>50</td>
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Existing resources R1 and R2 sold capacity in the primary auction, but are willing to buy out of their obligations via demand bids in the substitution auction (and permanently exit the market) if the cost of shedding this obligation is sufficiently low. Their demand bids in the substitution auction represent the highest price each resource would willingly pay to transfer its obligation. Table V.5 shows the assumed demand bids in the substitution auction from existing resources R1 and R2.
Table V.5

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>S.A. Bid Price ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>Bid Capacity (MW)</th>
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<tr>
<td>R1</td>
<td>$6</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>R2</td>
<td>$7</td>
<td>100</td>
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Q: How is the substitution auction cleared in this example?
A: The substitution auction clearing is best illustrated via a figure that shows the aggregate supply and demand curves. As is standard, supply offers and demand bids that fall to the left of the intersection of the two curves are accepted, whereas those that are to the right of this intersection are not accepted. This is shown in Figure V.6.

Figure V.6

In this example, the supply and demand curves intersect at a quantity of 150 MW and a price of $4/kW-month. Existing resources R1 and R2 have their demand bids accepted, as each is willing to shed its obligation at the substitution auction clearing price of $4 kW-month.
Sponsored policy resources S1 and S2 are fully cleared in the substitution auction as these resources indicated they are willing to take on a CSO at the $4/kW-month clearing price. Importantly, sponsored policy resource S3 is the marginal offer and only clears 25 MW of its 50 MW of qualified capacity. This is the proper clearing outcome to ensure that aggregated cleared supply and demand are equal at 150 MW each, leaving the total system capacity (and system reliability) unchanged from the primary auction.

Q: How does the substitution auction charge or credit resources in this example?

A: The $4/kW-month clearing price is applied to all capacity bought and sold in the substitution auction. Tables V.7 and V.8 illustrate the substitution auction clearing awards and settlements for resources participating as supply and demand, respectively.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>S. A. Offer Price w/o MOPR ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>S. A. Offer Capacity (MW)</th>
<th>S.A. Cleared Capacity (MW)</th>
<th>S.A. Clearing Price ($/kW-mo)</th>
<th>S.A. Credit (Charge) ($/mo)</th>
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<td>S1</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>$4</td>
<td>$200K</td>
<td>Fully clears</td>
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<td>S2</td>
<td>$2</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>$4</td>
<td>$300K</td>
<td>Fully clears</td>
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<td>S3</td>
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Tables V.7 and V.8 highlight a few substitution auction properties that are worth explaining further. First, existing resources that sell capacity in the primary auction and retain their obligation in the substitution auction (resources E1 and E2) do not receive any payments or charges in the substitution auction since they neither bought nor sold capacity during this stage. Similarly, sponsored policy resource S3 is only paid in the substitution auction settlement for the capacity that it sells in the substitution auction (and, more generally, sponsored policy resources that do not sell capacity in the substitution auction receive no payment in this stage). Second, observe that the total payments to sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction ($600K/month) are exactly offset by the total charges to existing resources that shed their obligation.

Q: How are total forward capacity auction settlements determined in this example?

A: Total forward capacity auction settlements follow the well-established logic of a two-settlement market design for sequential markets. Under a two-settlement structure, resources that first take on an obligation in a forward market are...
credited at that market’s forward price. They are then further paid (or charged) for any deviations from their initial forward market position in the secondary (balancing) market at the secondary market’s clearing price. In this context, the primary auction represents the forward market, and the substitution auction represents the secondary market.

Q: Please walk through the application of the two-settlement structure to the primary auction and substitution auction.

A: Table V.9 summarizes sequential and final settlements and capacity awards after both the primary auction and the substitution auction. Stepping through the results in this settlement table for resource R1 is informative. R1 clears (acquires an obligation of) 50 MW in the primary auction, at a primary auction capacity clearing price of $8/kW-month. It is therefore paid (credited) the product of the forward obligation MW and the applicable (primary auction) clearing price of $8/kW-month, or $400,000/month (note the factor of 1000 to convert kW to MW in calculating payments). In the substitution auction, resource R1 sheds (transfers, or ‘buys out’) its capacity obligation, producing a deviation of -50 MW in the secondary market from its initial obligation. It therefore is charged, in the substitution auction settlement, an amount equal to the product of its -50 MW deviation and the substitution auction clearing price of $4/kW-month, or - $200,000/month.
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<th>Resource Name</th>
<th>P.A. Clearing Price ($/kW-month)</th>
<th>P.A. Cleared (MW)</th>
<th>P.A. Credit ($/mo)</th>
<th>S.A. Clearing Price ($/kW-month)</th>
<th>S.A. Cleared (MW deviation from primary)</th>
<th>S.A. Credit (Charge) ($/mo)</th>
<th>Final Capacity Obligation (MW)</th>
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<td>E1</td>
<td>$8</td>
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<td>E2</td>
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Taken together, the total capacity payment to resource R1 is the sum of its primary auction and secondary auction credits and charges. This results in a net payment of $200,000/month (= $400,000 – $200,000) for R1. Resource R1 exits the two-stage FCA with no CSO, and as such has one final obligation: to retire. It receives a net payment – akin to a severance payment – for exiting the region and creating “space” for 50 MW of new sponsored policy capacity to take its place in the FCM going forward.

**Q:** Would resource R1 prefer to receive the severance payment in exchange for permanently retiring, rather than retaining its CSO MW and being paid the full primary auction clearing price?

**A:** Yes. To evaluate whether resource R1 would prefer to accept this severance payment and permanently retire, or instead retain its obligation and be paid the full primary auction clearing price of $8/kW-month, I calculate its profit in each scenario.
First, imagine that resource R1 does not buy out of its obligation and instead retains its CSO. In this case, resource R1 earns total capacity revenues equal to $400,000/month (=$8/kW-month × 50 MW × 1000 kW/MW). Resource R1 submitted a retirement bid in the primary auction at a price of $6/kW-month. This price represents the minimum payment that the resource would willingly accept in order to retain the obligation rather than forgoing the costs of delivering the capacity and exiting the market. Importantly, this bid price accounts for the option value that resource R1 forgoes if does not sell capacity, and therefore forfeits the opportunity to earn capacity revenues in future periods (where as this option value increases, resource R1’s retirement bid price will decrease to reflect that it is more costly to retire in the current period). Accordingly, to fulfill its obligation, resource R1 expects to incur costs of $300,000/month (= $6/kW-month × 50 MW × 1000 kW/MW) after accounting for this option value. Subtracting costs from revenues yields total profits of $100,000/month when resource R1 retains its obligation and does not permanently exit the market.

Second, consider the alternative case where resource R1 instead buys out of its obligation in the substitution auction at a price of $4/kW-month. Because it has no obligation to deliver capacity, it does not incur the costs that correspond to its primary auction offer (delist bid) price (though it does forgo the option value mentioned above that is incorporated into its $6/kW-month bid price). As a result, its $200,000/month severance payment represents revenue without an offsetting direct cost. Because this profit exceeds what it would earn by retaining its CSO MW and receiving the full primary auction clearing price (including the
option value associated with continued operation), resource R1 is better off by
buying out of its obligation in the substitution auction.

Q: Does this example generalize to all substitution auction demand bids that are
cleared?

A: Yes. As a general rule, when an existing resource submits a demand bid in the
substitution auction at a price above the substitution auction clearing price, this
bid will be accepted and the resource will buy out of its obligation and
permanently exit the market. Buying out of its obligation is preferable, from the
resource owner’s standpoint, because the charge it receives to do so is less than
the costs it would incur from retaining the obligation (where these costs are
reduced by the option value associated with retaining the obligation described
above).

Similarly, when an existing resource submits a demand bid in the substitution
auction at a price below the substitution auction clearing price, this bid will not be
accepted in the clearing process and the resource will retain its CSO. This
outcome will maximize the resource’s profit because the cost of buying out its
obligation at the substitution auction’s clearing price is greater than the expected
costs it incurs by retaining its obligation (where these costs are reduced by the
option value associated with retaining the obligation described above).
Q: Where does the money that is paid to resource R1 as a ‘severance payment’ come from?

A: As noted above, resource R1 receives a ‘severance payment’ of $200,000/month in exchange for giving up its CSO and permanently retiring. Furthermore, as illustrated in Table V.9, the total FCM payments by load are not impacted by the introduction of a substitution auction and instead remain at $5 million/month. The total FCM payment is determined by the primary auction clearing price of $8/kW-month. However, for the capacity that is transferred from an existing resource to a sponsored policy resource, this $8/kW-month in primary auction revenue is shared. In the example above, sponsored policy resources are paid $4/kW-month of this revenue, since that is the clearing price for capacity sold in the substitution auction. The remaining $4/kW-month (equal to the primary auction clearing price less the substitution auction clearing price) is distributed as a severance payment to the retiring resources.

In sum, the severance payment is simply the remaining balance of resource R1’s primary auction revenue after resource R1 pays the cleared sponsored policy resources to take on its CSO. These sponsored policy resources are willing to accept this CSO, for a price below the primary auction clearing price, because they receive out-of-market revenues that make up (at least) the difference.
Q: Why should the FCM pay existing resources to retire?

A: As with all good settlements systems, the answer lies in the incentives it provides. This is most easily demonstrated with an analogy to the ISO’s energy markets. One can think of the settlements in the foregoing example as analogous to the day-ahead and real-time energy markets. In this energy market framework, imagine that the sponsored policy resources S1, S2, and S3 have high costs in the day-ahead forward market, but are able to re-offer at significantly lower cost in the real-time secondary market (e.g., imagine they experience a reduction in fuel costs after the day-ahead market clears). In this analogy, units R1 and R2 offer the same prices in both markets, but are under-bid in real-time by the lower real-time offer prices submitted by resources S1, S2, and S3. Resources R1 and R2 would therefore be dispatched down relative to their day-ahead forward positions and their production would be transferred to lower cost suppliers S1, S2, and S3.

In the above example, the real-time energy price would be lower than the day-ahead price, and this would yield a net payout to resources R1 and R2 that sold energy in the day-ahead market, and bought out of their obligation in the real-time market. This is an entirely appropriate outcome as it provides an incentive for resources that sold energy (capacity) forward to buy out of their obligation in the secondary market in cases where it allows energy (capacity) to be delivered by a lower cost supplier.
Q: In this numerical example, are the four principal design objectives presented earlier satisfied?

A: Yes. Each of the four design objectives is satisfied.

Q: Please explain why capacity prices are competitively-based in this example (design objective 1).

A: In the primary auction, sponsored policy resources S1, S2, and S3 are prohibited from offering below their Offer Floor Price, which represents a resource-specific competitive offer price that excludes out-of-market revenue. This exclusion prevents the primary auction clearing price from falling below its competitively-based level. Observe that this is the price that is paid to all existing resources that sell capacity in the primary auction and retain their obligations in the substitution auction (resources E1 and E2 in this example). Practically, this primary auction price will guide long-term investment decisions (i.e., a competitive new resource would be paid the $8/kW-month price if it clears in the primary auction) and determine the total capacity costs borne by load.

Q: Please explain how sponsored policy resources are accommodated into the FCM over time in this example (design objective 2).

A: In this example, sponsored policy resources are unable to sell their capacity in the primary auction because their Offer Floor Price exceeds the clearing price. If the auction process was stopped after this first stage, as occurs under the existing FCM rules, then these sponsored policy resources would not be accommodated into the FCM except through the limited provisions of the RTR exemption.
The introduction of the substitution auction allows these sponsored policy resources to submit offer prices below their Offer Floor Price, providing a second opportunity to sell capacity that is not constrained to exclude out-of-market revenue. In the above example, the substitution auction accommodates all of the qualified capacity from sponsored policy resources S1 and S2, and accommodates (in this year’s substitution auction) a portion of marginal resource S3’s qualified capacity.

Importantly, the substitution auction does not guarantee that any given sponsored policy resource will be able to sell its capacity in the first year that it is qualified. Instead, a sponsored policy resource’s ability to sell its capacity is dependent on how its substitution auction offer price compares to other suppliers, and the demand bids of resources willing to permanently retire. More specifically, the substitution auction seeks to clear sponsored policy resources in ascending order of price, thereby providing sponsored policy resources a strong incentive to lower their costs where possible. This framework fosters competition between sponsored policy resources and enhances efficiency relative to administrative methods of awarding CSO MWs, such as the existing RTR exemption provisions of the FCM.

Furthermore, a sponsored policy resource’s ability to sell capacity in the substitution auction depends on the quantity and price of demand bids in this second stage. A resource can only sell its capacity in the substitution auction in the second stage if there is a corresponding demand bid that is willing to buy out
of the obligation at an equal or higher price. This limitation is critical, as
allowing sponsored policy resources to sell capacity without requiring an
offsetting quantity of existing capacity MW to retire would fail to hold system
capacity constant, and could therefore reduce capacity prices below their
competitively-based level, violating design objective 1.

However, this limitation also may lead to cases where a sponsored policy resource
does not clear in the first year it qualifies (either because it offers at too high a
price, or there is not corresponding demand). Sponsored policy resources (or
portions thereof) that do not acquire CSOs in one year remain eligible to
participate, as new supply, in subsequent years’ primary and substitution auctions
(provided they remain qualified resources) until they are able to clear. As a result,
it is possible that an extra-marginal supply resource in the substitution auction
could take more than one annual auction cycle before it successfully sells its
capacity in the FCM.

Q: Please explain how cost shifts are avoided in this example (design objective
3).

A: The introduction of the substitution auction does not impact total costs to
consumers, which in this example remain unchanged from the primary auction at
$5 million/month. Consumers in states that do not sponsor policy resources incur
capacity load charges equal to their share of the FCM’s total capacity costs under
current FCM cost allocation rules (which are not altered in this filing). In this
way, the CASPR design seeks to ensure that the “excess” (that is, uneconomically high) costs incurred to develop these sponsored policy resources are borne through payments made outside the ISO-administered markets by the consumers in states that sponsor these high-cost resources.

Before closing this example, it is worth noting briefly one important simplification. While this numerical example has assumed a single capacity zone (merely for expositional simplicity of key ideas), the complete substitution auction design and rules in this filing permit capacity transfers across capacity zones in certain conditions. These inter-zonal transfers are limited, in a way that minimizes the extent to which the capacity transferred between zones in the substitution auction could alter subsequent years’ *primary* auction capacity clearing prices. This limitation will further prevent scenarios where consumers in one state are subject to increased costs because of the sponsored policy resources developed by a neighboring state. The detailed design aspects of these limitations on inter-zonal transfers are discussed further in Section VIII of this testimony.

**Q:** Please explain how this example illustrates that the proposal represents a transparent, market-based approach design objective 4).

**A:** The substitution auction represents a market-based approach to efficiently allocate CSOs to the set of resources that are willing to sell them at lowest cost. In this example, resource S3 only partially clears in the substitution auction because its offer price is greater than those of competing policy resources S1 and S2.
This framework provides transparency through a widely accepted auction clearing logic based on maximizing total social surplus (that is, total social surplus based on the bids and offers of all substitution auction participants) and market clearing prices that are published and applied to each resource that buys or sells capacity. Furthermore, the substitution auction employs a standard two-settlement approach that is well-understood by market participants based on their experience with and the parallel design of other ISO-administered markets, including the FCM’s reconfiguration auctions and the day-ahead and real-time energy markets. This standard two-settlement design helps to award obligations and compensation efficiently and, as noted earlier, is designed to promote competitive and incentive-compatible bidding in the substitution auction.

VI. PARTICIPATION IN THE SUBSTITUTION AUCTION

A. Substitution auction supply eligibility

Q: What criteria must a resource satisfy to participate as supply in the substitution auction?

A: To be eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction, a resource must satisfy several criteria. First, it must be qualified to sell capacity in the primary auction as a new capacity resource. Second, it must elect to participate in the substitution auction. Third, it must have qualified capacity to sell in the substitution auction. And fourth, it must satisfy the definition of a sponsored
policy resource. I discuss each of these three criteria in more detail in the
remainder of this section.

Q: Please describe this first criterion, which requires that the resource have
qualified new capacity for the primary auction, in more detail.
A: Resources that wish to sell capacity in the substitution auction must have new
qualified capacity that is eligible to participate in the primary auction, but is not
sold in this first stage. This means that the resource must go through the standard
qualification process that is required of all new resources. The qualification
requirements for new capacity in the FCM are lengthy, will apply in the same way
to (otherwise identical) sponsored and non-sponsored new capacity resources, and
are not being changed in the instant filing.

Q: Please describe the second criterion, which requires that the resource elect to
participate as supply in the substitution auction, in more detail.
A: As noted previously, the substitution auction is a voluntary market that matches,
anonymously, existing resources that are willing to permanently exit all markets
with sponsored policy resources that choose to offer their capacity. Since it is a
voluntary market, a resource therefore must elect to offer to sell its capacity in the
substitution auction.
Q: Please describe the third criterion, which requires that the resource have qualified capacity to sell in the substitution auction.

In order to participate as supply in the substitution auction, the resource must have qualified capacity to sell in this second stage. More specifically, this requires that the resource did not sell all of its qualified capacity in the primary auction. The rationale is equivalent to a reconfiguration auction, where a resource that has already sold all of its qualified capacity is not permitted to submit a supply offer to sell capacity for a second time.

Q: Please describe the fourth criterion, which requires that the resource qualify as a sponsored policy resource, in more detail.

A: In order to qualify as a sponsored policy resource, a new capacity resource must meet both of the following conditions: (A) receive out-of-market revenue supported by a government-regulated rate, charge, or other regulated cost recovery mechanism, and (B) qualify as a renewable, clean, or alternative energy resource under a standard or goal that is enacted (either by statute or regulation) and effective on January 1, 2018 in the state from which it receives the out-of-market revenue.

Q: Why does the sponsored policy resource definition require that the resource receive out-of-market revenue supported by a government-regulated rate, charge, or other regulated cost recovery mechanism?

A: The ISO’s proposal is intended to accommodate into the FCM sponsored policy resources that wish to sell their capacity at low prices due to out-of-market
revenue that is prohibited from being reflected in supply offer prices in the primary auction (due to the MOPR). The substitution auction provides these sponsored policy resources an opportunity to reduce their offer prices from the first stage to better reflect their preferred price and account for their out-of-market revenue, thereby increasing the likelihood that these resources acquire CSOs and enter into the FCM.

Resources that do not have excluded out-of-market revenue are not prevented from offering down to their preferred price in the primary auction by the MOPR. Such resources have no need to participate in the substitution auction, because if their preferred price exceeds the primary auction clearing price (meaning they do not sell capacity in the first stage), it will also be greater than the substitution auction clearing price (meaning they will not sell capacity in the second stage).

The substitution auction design therefore aims to limit supply in the substitution auction to new resources that are unable to reflect their preferred price in the primary auction because they are not permitted to fully account for their out-of-market revenue due to the MOPR.
Q: Why does the sponsored policy resource definition require that the resource qualify as a renewable, clean, or alternative energy resource in the state in which it receives out-of-market revenue?

A: The CASPR design aims to accommodate the development of sponsored new resources that (one or more) states pursue in order to satisfy their legislative or regulatory mandates, generally targeting renewable, clean, or alternative energy objectives. Sponsored policy resources are therefore limited to resources that are consistent with these state mandates, as codified by a statute or regulation.

Q: Is this limitation to renewable, clean, and alternative energy resources similar to that currently in place governing the Renewable Technology Resource exemption from the MOPR?

A: Yes. The existing Renewable Technology Resource exemption limits the set of eligible resources to those that qualify as a renewable or alternative energy resource in a New England state’s statutes or regulations. As with the new definition of a sponsored policy resource in the instant filing, the intent of the RTR exemption language was to accommodate state policies that favor renewable resources, and that are not intended to suppress market-clearing prices, while being sufficiently limited to alleviate concerns over the latter.

Q: Can a resource that receives out-of-market revenue from a municipality or collection of municipalities qualify as a sponsored policy resource?

A: Yes. If the resource qualifies as renewable, clean, or alternative in the state in which the municipality or collection of municipalities is located, then it would
meet the definition of a sponsored policy resource and be eligible to participate as
supply in the substitution auction if it satisfies the other criteria discussed earlier.

Q: Can a resource that receives out-of-market revenue supported by the federal
government (and does not receive out-of-market revenue supported by a
state or municipality) qualify as a sponsored policy resource?

A: No. The sponsored policy resource definition requires that the resource qualify as
a renewable, clean, or alternative energy resource in the state from which it
receives its out-of-market revenue. A resource that receives out-of-market
revenue from the federal government does not receive out-of-market revenue
from a New England state, or a municipality inside of a New England state. This
rule serves to limit the set of resources that can participate as supply in the
substitution auction to those that are sponsored by a New England state or
municipality, rather than those that receive support from the federal government.

Q: Would an independent power producer that develops a solar facility that
expects to earn out-of-market revenues by selling solar renewable energy
credits (SRECs) to load-serving entities in Massachusetts be eligible?

A: Yes. Solar renewable energy credits represent an out-of-market revenue source
supported by a state government-regulated cost-recovery mechanism.
Furthermore, solar energy is classified as renewable in Massachusetts. As a
result, this facility would satisfy the definition of a sponsored policy resource, and
would be eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction if it meets the
other criteria discussed earlier.
Q: Why does the definition of a sponsored policy resource require that the resource be characterized as a renewable, clean, or alternative by a statute or regulation in effect on January 1, 2018?

A: By including a specific date at which these determinations are made, the definition provides more clarity to the market regarding the types of technologies that are eligible to participate as supply in the substitution auction. If there was no cutoff date, then the set of technologies that would satisfy this condition could expand in unanticipated ways as state policies changed, such as if a future state regulation decreed a conventional combined-cycle gas generator to be an “alternative” technology for purposes of entering such a technology into the substitution auction.

Q: Was a similar date provision included in the eligibility criteria for the existing Renewable Technology Resource exemption?

A: Yes. The existing RTR exemption provision requires that a resource qualify as a renewable or alternative energy resource on January 1, 2014, which corresponds to the year in which the Renewable Technology Resource exemption went into effect.
Q: Does a resource satisfy the sponsored policy resource definition in cases where it is not defined as a renewable, clean, or alternative energy resource under a state’s portfolio or clean energy standard, but it is characterized as a renewable, clean, or alternative energy resource under a state law in place on January 1, 2018?

A: Yes. A resource satisfies the sponsored policy resource definition if, in the state from which it receives out-of-market revenues, it is characterized as meeting the requirements of a renewable, clean, or alternative energy standard or goal under the provisions of either the state’s laws or regulations.

B. Substitution auction demand eligibility

Q: What obligations accrue to an existing capacity resource with a cleared demand bid in the substitution auction?

A: As explained earlier in Section V.B of this testimony, an existing capacity resource that buys out of its CSO via a cleared demand bid in the substitution auction must permanently exit all markets.

Q: Why does the CASPR design require that such a resource permanently exit all markets when it clears a demand bid in the substitution auction?

A: The substitution auction serves as a mechanism to coordinate the entry of sponsored policy resources with the exit of existing resources, on a MW-for-MW basis. If an existing resource was instead able to buy out of its obligation in the substitution auction (and receive a severance payment for doing so), and then
return to continue to sell capacity in a future FCA, the substitution auction would fail to coordinate entry and exit; a new sponsored resource would enter, but the nominally exiting resource would not actually exit.

Q: What concerns would arise if the substitution auction allowed existing resources that bought out of their obligation to return in a later commitment period?

A: In such cases, upon clearing in the substitution auction, the existing resource transfers its CSO MW to the sponsored policy resource(s). If the existing resource then returns in a future auction, the total quantity of existing capacity will tend to increase over time, leading to excess capacity on the system. This will reduce primary auction clearing prices below their competitively-based level, thereby failing to satisfy design objective 1.

Q: Can you provide a numerical example illustrating this concern?

A: Yes. Consider an example that includes two resources with 100 MW of qualified capacity. Existing resource E is able to sell its capacity in the primary auction, whereas sponsored policy resource S is unable to clear in the primary auction because its Offer Floor Price is too high. In year 1, existing resource E sells its 100 MW of capacity in the primary auction and then transfers this obligation to sponsored policy resource S in the substitution auction. The combined capacity sold by resources E and S in year 1 is equal to 100 MW after the primary auction, and this value is unchanged in the substitution auction. The FCA outcomes in
year 1 are illustrated in Figure VI.1, where the left panel represents the primary auction, and the right panel the substitution auction.

Figure VI.1

We now consider the primary auction clearing price in year 2, under two scenarios. In scenario A, existing resource E cannot re-enter the FCM as it permanently retired from all markets in year 1 (the ISO’s design). In scenario B, existing resource E is instead permitted to re-enter the FCM. Figure VI.2 illustrates the difference in primary auction clearing outcomes, and prices between these two scenarios. The left panel in Figure VI.2 represents scenario A, and the right represents scenario B.
Holding all else equal, scenario A produces the same primary auction clearing price in year 2 as occurs in year 1. Because this is the same price that would have occurred in year 2 if there was no substitution auction and existing resource E retained its CSO MW while sponsored policy resource S remained outside the FCM, scenario A satisfies design objective 1.

However, this property does not hold in scenario B. Instead, existing resource E’s 100 MW inframarginal supply offer from year 1 is only notionally replaced by 100 MW of inframarginal supply from sponsored policy resource S. Then, in the FCA in year 2, there is 100 MW of inframarginal supply from resource S, and there is again 100 MW of inframarginal supply by resource E. This increases the total cleared capacity quantity in year 2 relative to year 1, and reduces the FCA clearing price below the clearing price in year 1. Over time, this will progressively lower the primary auction clearing prices, violating design objective 1.
Q: Would resource E have an incentive to offer its capacity into the primary auction for year 2 if permitted, as occurs in scenario B above? Do the rules prohibit this?

A: Yes. If resource E could earn positive profits by selling its capacity again in year 2 (and either retaining this obligation or buying out of it in the substitution auction and earning yet another severance payment), it would have a strong incentive to do so. Thus, the rules in the instant filing prohibit this – that is, they require resource E to permanently retire from all markets at the start of the Capacity Commitment Period for which its demand bid clears in the substitution auction.

Q: Is there a simple way to characterize the outcome that occurs in scenario B, where total capacity increases in year 2 if resource E does not permanently exit?

A: Yes. We call this phenomenon “walking down the demand curve.” This term describes what would tend to happen over time under any number of scenarios where the substitution auction failed to coordinate entry and exit, and instead allowed resources that bought out of their obligation to re-enter and sell capacity in a future commitment period. As illustrated in the example above, this re-entry would tend to increase the total cleared capacity over time, thereby decreasing capacity prices below their competitively-based level.
Q: How does the ISO ensure that existing resources that buy out of their obligation in the substitution auction permanently exit the market, thereby avoiding the “walking down the demand curve” concern?

A: In order to prevent existing resources that buy out of their CSO in the substitution auction from returning in a future commitment period, the substitution auction rules limit demand-side participation to existing resources that have Capacity Network Resource Interconnection Service or Capacity Network Interface Interconnection Service (collectively, network interconnection service hereafter).

When an existing resource buys out of its obligation in the substitution auction, its network interconnection service is discontinued at the start of the commitment period where it is required to exit.

Q: Is the discontinuation of a capacity resource’s network interconnection service when it retires a new process that is being introduced as part of the CASPR design?

A: No. Under current rules, when an existing resource has a retirement bid accepted in the FCA, its applicable network interconnection service is discontinued at the start of the Capacity Commitment Period for which the retirement bid was accepted. The substitution auction implementation will therefore leverage an existing procedure and Tariff rule that is used to retire existing units, rather than introducing a new process for this purpose.

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6 See Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.5.2.5.3.
Q: Does the requirement to have network interconnection service in order to participate on the demand-side of the substitution auction limit participation in the substitution auction?

A: Yes. Existing generating capacity resources, and capacity import resources associated with a qualifying elective transmission upgrade, must have network interconnection service for their generating facility (or transmission facility) to operate as a capacity resource. These resource types are eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction.

Other types of existing capacity resources, including active demand response capacity resources, energy efficiency resources, and capacity import resources not associated with a qualifying elective transmission upgrade, do not receive network interconnection service as part of their operations and participation in the FCM. Without network interconnection service, these resources are not eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction.

Q: Why do the rules limit substitution auction demand eligibility to only those resources that have network interconnection service?

A: Terminating the network interconnection service is an established process for rescinding the ability for generating assets (and external elective transmission upgrades) to operate as a capacity resource under the existing provisions of the ISO’s tariff. When the network interconnection service associated with a capacity resource is terminated upon its retirement, there is certainty that the resource
(more specifically, the underlying assets) will cease participation in the markets –
which is consistent with the goal of coordinating entry and exit under CASPR. If
this goal cannot be achieved, the continued participation of only notionally retired
resources would cause total capacity supply to increase over time, as illustrated in
scenario B in Figure VI.2. Ultimately, that would lead the FCM to walk down the
demand curve and produce primary auction prices that fall below their
competitively-based level.

For resources that do not have network interconnection service, it would be
difficult (if not impossible) for the ISO to ensure that, if these resources transfer
their CSOs in the substitution auction, the underlying assets would not return
(perhaps re-constituted under a different owner or resource) to sell the same
capacity in a future FCA. As noted earlier, if this was permitted, market
participants may have a strong financial incentive to engage in this activity. The
outcome would be particularly deleterious: it should be expected to lead the FCM
to walk down the demand curve, and thereby undermine the primary auction
clearing prices and fail to meet design objective 1.

Q: Please describe why it would be difficult for the ISO to enforce the
permanent retirement of the underlying assets for resources without a
network interconnection service.

A: Consider, for instance, a (hypothetical) existing active demand response capacity
resource that is composed of several underlying demand response assets. If this
resource was permitted to participate as demand in the substitution auction, there
would be no assured means to prevent it from buying out of its obligation in the
substitution auction for year 1 (thereby receiving a severance payment), and then
having the underlying assets (perhaps under new ownership, or under contract
with another market participant) “repackaged” (in whole or in part) into a new
demand response resource that effectively sells the same capability as “new”
capacity in the primary auction for year 2.

Q: Would this “repackaging” concern also arise if energy efficiency or import
capacity resources not associated with a qualifying elective transmission
upgrade were eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction?
A: Yes. For energy efficiency, the concerns would be similar to those raised above.
There would be no assured means to prevent an asset that participated as demand
in the substitution auction from being repackaged and participating as new in a
future auction.

The issue of potentially “repackaging” underlying assets is similar with import
capacity resources (those not associated with a qualifying elective transmission
upgrade) since these resources can be backed by either the system power of an
external control area (no specific resource) or by a specified resource located in
an external control area. In addition, capacity import resources are qualified
based on contracts among market participants (which may be terminated) or based
on a participant’s ownership or control of an external resource (which can
change). For these reasons, there would be no effective means for the ISO to ensure or enforce that the generation capability underlying an existing import capacity resource would be unable to reoffer the same capability as “new” in a subsequent FCA.

Q: Are resources that have sold capacity in an earlier FCA, but have not yet begun commercial operation, eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction?

A: A resource does not receive network interconnection service until it begins commercial operation (and demonstrates it can deliver its capacity). As noted previously, only resources with network interconnection service are eligible to participate on the demand-side of the substitution auction. As a result, resources that are not yet commercial cannot participate as demand in the substitution auction. This rule helps the substitution auction to effectively coordinate the entry of sponsored policy resources with the exit of existing resources that retire as it prevents resources that are not yet commercial (and may not become commercial because of changing market or regulatory conditions) and therefore cannot relinquish network interconnection service from receiving a severance payment.

This provision is outlined in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.8.3.1.
C. New resources that cleared in the primary auction are not eligible to participate in the substitution auction

Q: Do new resources that sold capacity in the primary auction participating as demand in the substitution auction?
A: No. These resources retain any CSOs they acquired in the primary auction, and are compensated at the primary auction clearing price.

Q: Why are new resources that sold capacity in the primary auction not permitted to ‘buy out’ of their just-acquired CSO by participate as demand in the substitution auction?
A: After careful review, this rule most effectively balances the central design objectives outlined in Section IV. Specifically, excluding new resources that sold capacity in the primary auction from participating as demand in the substitution auction will most effectively help to achieve competitively-based capacity prices, which is design objective 1.

Q: How does this rule help to achieve competitively-based capacity prices?
A: By ensuring that new resources that sell capacity in the primary auction retain their CSO MWs and are paid the primary auction clearing price, the framework provides the same price signals and incentives for competitive new resources as would exist if there was no substitution auction (and resources could not include out-of-market revenues in their supply offer prices). This framework therefore does not distort the incentives for competitive new resources to participate in the FCA.
Q: What are the design objectives that needed to be balanced in developing this demand-side rule concerning new resources – that is, precluding their participation as demand in the substitution auction?

A: The considerations governing participation of new resources on the demand side of the substitution auction revolve primarily around competitive new entry. Here and below, I use the term “competitive new” as shorthand for new capacity resources that are not qualified as sponsored policy resources.

The treatment of competitive new resources in the substitution auction constitutes a situation where design alternatives that better achieve competitively-based capacity prices may, in some situations, fare less well with respect to promptly accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM and preventing inefficient overbuild due to states’ out-of-market revenues to sponsored new resources.

Q: Can you elaborate on how this treatment performs with respect to accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time and limiting inefficient overbuild?

A: Yes. Excluding competitive new resources that sold capacity in the primary auction from participating as demand in the substitution auction may reduce the quantity of demand bids in the substitution auction in some years. Depending on resources’ bid and offer prices, fewer resources on the demand side of the
substitution auction may decrease the quantity of new sponsored policy resources (on the supply side) that are able to sell capacity in the substitution auction.

In some situations, this could lead to inefficient overbuild if new sponsored policy resources are available and yet capacity prices are high enough to attract and clear new competitive (that is, non-sponsored) resources in the primary auction. Even if the new sponsored policy resources do not acquire CSOs in the substitution auction, both types of resources may get built: the competitive resource that successfully clears and sells its capacity in the primary auction (and therefore keeps its obligation), and the sponsored policy resource that may be developed even without a CSO because it does not require capacity market revenues.

Q: Did the ISO evaluate alternative rules governing the treatment of competitive new resources in the substitution auction that would better address concerns about accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time?

A: Yes. The ISO evaluated alternative rules that would permit or require competitive new resources that sold capacity in the primary auction to participate as demand in the substitution auction.

Q: What led you to not recommend pursuing such an alternative rule?

A: As discussed above, the treatment of new resource participation on the demand side of the substitution auction is a design element that presents a fundamental tension between retaining competitively-based capacity prices and
accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM. Alternative rules that perform well with respect to competitive capacity pricing tend to be less effective in accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM (and deferring simultaneous competitive entry), and vice versa.

The ISO’s design tends to favor achieving competitively-based capacity prices, but may not accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM as expeditiously as some alternate rules. (I elaborate on these alternatives further below.) In evaluating the tradeoffs between these design considerations, the ISO ultimately determined that it was critical to retain competitively-based capacity prices to the extent possible, as the FCA’s capacity clearing price guides competitive entry and exit decisions for the region, is essential to achieving the region’s resource adequacy over the long term, and is the basis for billions of dollars in payments to more than 30 GW of capacity resources each year – a sum that determines the FCM’s cost to consumers.

Q: What are the alternative rules that were considered for competitive new resources’ demand-side participation in the substitution auction?

A: We carefully evaluated two alternate treatments of competitive new resources that clear in the primary auction, with regard to their participation as demand in the substitution auction. Under the first alternate rule, a competitive new resource that sells capacity in the primary auction would be required (involuntarily) to submit a demand bid into the substitution auction at the same price as its primary
auction supply offer price; if a competitive new resource shed its just-acquired
obligation in the substitution auction, it would receive the two-settlement
severance payment (i.e., the same settlement as applies to an existing resource
that sheds its CSO in the substitution auction).

Under the second alternate rule we examined, competitive new resources that sell
capacity in the primary auction would again be required to participate as demand
in the substitution auction, at the same price as their supply offer price. However,
under this second alternative, competitive new resources would be subject to a
modified settlement rule that, in effect, results in no net compensation if they
promptly shed just-acquired obligations in the substitution auction.

Both of these two alternative rules have significant potential risks and undesirable
economic consequences with regard to market price signals in the FCM. Those
risks led the ISO not to pursue these alternatives, after careful consideration of the
detailed issues involved.

Q: Let’s consider each of these alternative rules in turn. First, please explain
the risks and consequences that led the ISO not to pursue the first alternate
rule.

A: The first alternative rule would require competitive new resources that sell
capacity in the primary auction to be entered into the substitution auction as
demand, and provide the two-settlement compensation if they completed the two-
stage FCA with no obligation. This rule creates problematic incentives that are
likely to introduce “fictitious entrants” into the FCA. Such participants seek to
sell capacity in the primary auction not with the intent of actually delivering this
capacity during the commitment period, but rather with the sole aim of profiting
by being bought out of their obligations in the substitution auction – while
providing nothing of value to the region.

Q: Would the ISO’s qualification process prevent fictitious entrants, thereby
ensuring that all competitive new resources that sell capacity in the primary
auction are “legitimate”?

A: Not assuredly. When resources are in the early stages of initial development, as is
often the case during the qualification process, it is difficult to distinguish
between legitimate projects and potential fictitious entrants. Furthermore, the
financial payoff from selling capacity in the primary auction and then buying out
of this obligation at a lower price in the substitution auction may be sufficiently
large to incent fictitious entrants to incur the necessary costs to appear
indistinguishable from legitimate new resources. This may be particularly true for
certain technologies that incur relatively low up-front development costs at the
time of the qualification process (such as demand-response resources).

Q: Would the first alternative rule also impact the bidding behavior of
legitimate competitive new resources that qualify with the intention of
delivering during the commitment period?

A: Yes. Legitimate competitive new resources may lower their primary auction bid
price below their true breakeven cost to increase the likelihood that they sell their
capacity in the first stage. Doing so raises the possibility that they then buy out of
their obligation in the substitution auction, thereby earning a severance payment
in the current year, and would tend to increase new competitive resources’
expected profit from participation in the FCA.

Q: What effect would this bidding behavior have on primary auction prices?
A: This bidding behavior can have adverse impacts on capacity clearing prices in the
primary auction. For example, this bidding behavior may lead new resources to
clear in the primary auction at a price below the true competitive cost of new
entry (i.e., the competitively-based price that would prevail if competitive new
resources always offered at their breakeven costs because they sold capacity in the
primary auction). As a result, this first alternative rule would fail to preserve
competitively-based capacity pricing in the FCM, and not achieve design
objective 1.

Q: Is the price suppressive effect of this first alternate rule potentially large?
A: Yes. Imagine, for example, that without fictitious entry or legitimate competitive
new resources offering below their true competitive price, the primary auction
clearing price would be (say) $5.30/kW-month (as occurred in FCA 11). Now
consider the scenario where a fictitious entrant sells an additional 300 MW of new
entry by offering its capacity at a lower price than $5.30/kW-month and clears.
Assume this fictitious entrant capacity does not displace competitive supply
(which, in this example, we’ll assume offers higher than $5.30/kW-month);
instead, the CSO acquired by the fictitious entrant increases total cleared capacity
in the primary auction by its offered supply, or 300 MW. Using the system
demand curve prescribed for FCA 12, this fictitious supply will decrease the
primary auction clearing price to $3.99/kW-month. That is a decrease in the
primary auction clearing price of 25 percent.

In summary, the first alternative rule creates potentially strong financial
incentives for fictitious entrants that could profit at the region’s expense, while
doing nothing to benefit the system or consumers. Moreover, their impact on
capacity clearing prices could result in substantial price suppression even when
the market clears below the true cost of new entry, harming the region’s
approximately 34 GW of capacity resources by undermining their proper
competitive FCM compensation in the primary auction.

Q: Please now explain the second alternate rule you considered, which requires
new competitive resources to participate on the demand-side of the
substitution auction, but then applies a modified settlement rule that
prevents them from receiving a severance payment.

A: As discussed above, concerns arise if new resources that sold capacity in the
primary auction were entered into the substitution auction and received a
severance payment when bought out, as this could lead to fictitious entry and the
inefficient suppression of capacity clearing prices in the primary auction. To
address these concerns, the ISO considered a second alternate approach that
applies a modified settlement rule under which competitive new resources that
were bought out in the substitution auction would be ineligible to receive any net
compensation (“severance”) payment.

Q: How would the modified settlement rule address concerns about fictitious
entry and legitimate competitive new resources bidding below their true
costs?
A: By preventing such resources from receiving a severance payment when bought
out in the substitution auction, this framework would eliminate the incentive for
fictitious entrants to participate in the FCM. Similarly, legitimate competitive
new resources would not choose to offer their capacity below their true breakeven
costs as doing so would not increase the probability of receiving a severance
payment.

In this way, this second alternative rule addresses the primary concerns identified
with the first alternative rule. However, as noted previously, even this second
alternative rule has significant potential risks and undesirable economic
consequences with regard to market price signals in the FCM.

Q: Is it correct to conclude that this second alternate rule would achieve
competitively-based capacity prices?
A: No. That is not correct, but for different reasons than arise under the first
alternative rule. This second alternate rule may instead produce situations in
which the primary auction clears at inflated rates, i.e., at prices that inefficiently exceed competitively-based capacity price levels.

Q: Please explain how the second alternate rule produces inflated capacity prices.

A: The second alternative rule is apt to deter competitive new entry, in ways that can yield inefficiently high capacity clearing prices – to the detriment of consumers. To see why, consider how the modified rule impacts the participation decision of competitive new entrants that see a primary auction price signal high enough to potentially support competitive new entry.

First, note that in order to participate in the FCA as a competitive new resource, a new generation project must go through a costly and time-consuming qualification process. Under the second alternative rule, a developer that anticipates a significant quantity of sponsored policy resources will offer as supply in the substitution auction should (and surely will) anticipate that any CSO initially acquired in the primary auction is apt to be subsequently transferred to the sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction. Yet, under the modified settlement rule, the competitive developer will receive no compensatory payment – it will complete the auction with empty hands and nothing to show for its costly efforts to complete.
While losing bidders in auctions normally complete the process with no remuneration for their pre-auction costs, they show up at auction because of the expectation that they may win – an expectation that must be large enough to justify the costs of pre-auction development, qualification, and other sunk costs. Unlike a normal competitive auction, however, under the second alternative rule a competitive developer would likely know it has no chance of winning at all.

Because the second alternative rule would force (involuntarily) it to transfer its obligation to the government-subsidized competitors (that is, the sponsored policy resources) in the substitution auction, competitive resource developers would see that “winning” in the primary auction is just another way of “losing” because the sponsored policy resources then take the prize of the CSO and its stream of future capacity revenues. In effect, the entire FCA becomes a money-losing endeavor for competitive new generation resources – at least when sponsored policy resources are available, or expected to be available, in that year’s substitution auction.

Stated simply, the second alternative rule is not only a dysfunctional market design, it would fundamentally undermine the FCM and the benefits of competitive entry. Competitive developers would, in reasonable likelihood, understand the foregoing prospects for their projects in the FCA and – given there are significant costs to qualify new generation projects – simply choose not to bring projects to New England. This effectively deters competitive new entry in auction cycles when sponsored new policy resource are seeking to enter, and
potentially for any future auction years when sponsored new policy resources are expected to enter.

Q: How exactly does the potential deterrence of competitive new entry under this second alternative rule cause the capacity price inflation problem you stated earlier?

A: Under this second alternate rule, developers would choose not to qualify projects in New England even when the region’s capacity supply is tight and the primary auction clearing price amply exceeds the competitive cost of new entry. In such cases, the primary auction may clear only the (limited) supply of existing resources, and the resulting capacity clearing price could significantly exceed the competitive cost of new entry.

Under well-designed market rules, competitive entry would occur in such circumstance and discipline the auction’s clearing prices, producing expected outcomes at the competitive cost of new entry. Because competitive new resources are deterred under the second alternative rule; however, this competitive discipline is absent, and the market clears at an inefficiently high price.

Importantly, note that there is no market power being exercised in this situation; this outcome exists solely because the second alternative rule is a dysfunctional market design that deters competitive entry in the primary auction, to the potential detriment of the region’s consumers. Moreover, because no new resources are willing to enter, this outcome could persist for several auctions.
Q: Can you provide a simple example to illustrate this problem and how it causes inflated capacity prices?

A: Yes. As noted, the second alternative rule could be costly for consumers as it may produce sustained prices in excess of the competitive cost of new entry. This excessive price is shown in Figure VI.3, where the left panel (scenario A) shows the competitively-based capacity price that occurs when competitive new resource N chooses to enter and sets price in the primary auction. The right panel (scenario B) reflects the increased price that occurs when this potential new project instead chooses not to compete in the primary auction, because it expects that it would be bought out in the substitution auction without compensation and therefore earn zero revenue regardless of how the primary auction plays out.

Figure VI.3
Q: Is the capacity clearing price increase under the second alternative rule, relative to the competitively-based capacity price, potentially significant?

A: Yes. Imagine that a competitive new resource is willing to sell its 400 MW of capacity at a breakeven price of $7.50/kW-month, and further assume that when it does the primary auction clearing price is $8.04/kW-month (the administrative value of Net CONE for FCA 12).

In scenario A, new resource N retains the capacity sold in the primary auction and receives the primary auction clearing price. In this scenario, it has a strong incentive to sell its capacity because it earns $0.54/kW-month in profit for its capacity sold (equal to the difference between the primary auction clearing price and its breakeven price). As a result, the primary auction produces a competitively-based capacity price.

In scenario B, resource N no longer has an incentive to offer its capacity as it will be forced to shed its obligation in the substitution auction and earn zero. It therefore chooses not to pursue development and qualification, and the primary auction clears 400 MW less capacity than in scenario A. Using the FCA 12 system demand curve, this would increase the clearing price from $8.04/kW-month (in scenario A) to $10.78/kW-month (in scenario B), a difference of $2.74/kW-month.
Q: Is this difference of $2.74/kW-month a big number or a small number, from a consumer cost perspective?

A: This is a large cost impact. The $2.74/kW-month value in this example is a 34 percent increase in the primary auction clearing price, and would result in higher total FCM costs to consumers of over $1 billion per year.

Q: In summary, do these consequences of these two alternative rules constitute the significant potential risks and undesirable economic consequences you stated earlier?

A: Yes. Both of these the two alternative rules explained above have significant potential risks and undesirable economic consequences with regard to market price signals in the FCM. Those risks led the ISO not to pursue these alternatives, after careful consideration of the issues involved.

Q: Are there other alternatives that arose during the stakeholder process to address these risks?

A: Yes. During the stakeholder process, there was discussion of one variant to address the inflated price risk that arises under the second alternative rule. This variant would require changes to how the MOPR is applied in the primary auction, which falls outside the original scope of this project. After assessing this variant, however, the ISO was not confident that it would effectively mitigate the inefficient inflated price risk arising under the second alternative rule.
Q: Please explain this additional variant to the second alternative rule. Does it treat competitive new resources differently in the substitution auction?

A: Not directly. This additional variant proposed to lower the MOPR for some new resources in the primary auction to reduce the risk of price inflation. More specifically, this variant modifies the MOPR value applied to sponsored policy resources in the primary auction to be no greater than the administratively-determined Net CONE value.

Importantly, this variant on the second alternative rule retains the modified settlement rule where competitive new resources that shed their obligation in the substitution auction do not receive a severance payment. While this treatment helps to prevent fictitious entry as outlined above, it is also likely to deter competitive entry from participating in the FCA in cases where it expects to sheds its capacity in the substitution auction.

Q: Relative to the ISO’s design that excludes competitive new from the demand side of the substitution auction entirely, what potential benefit is hoped for under this approach?

A: Much like the second alternative rule, this variant seeks to more effectively reduce potential overbuild by deterring competitive entry when sponsored policy resources are available. By changing the MOPR, the variant aims to ameliorate the ISO’s concern that the second alternative rule may produce primary auction prices that exceed their competitively-based levels.
More specifically, this variant recognizes that, under the second alternative rule, prices could rise above their competitively-based level when the modified settlement rule deters competitive entrants from participating in the FCA. To address this concern, the variant employs the modified settlement rule and also reduces the MOPR value for sponsored policy resources to the administratively determined Net CONE value. In cases where this modified settlement rule deters competitive entrants from participating (and the second alternative rule would therefore produce capacity prices above their competitively-based level), this variant’s reduction of the MOPR value allows sponsored policy resources to sell capacity in the primary auction and set the capacity clearing price at the administrative Net CONE value, thereby helping to address the price inflation concern associated with the second alternative rule.

Q: Would this change in the MOPR rule assuredly address the inflated price risk problem described previously?

A: No. This variant will only have its intended effect if developers bringing competitive projects are able to forecast in which auctions sponsored policy resources will participate (and the magnitude and capacity zone of these resources) with a high degree of certainty. This would allow for the development of competitive new resources in years where no sponsored policy participates, and capacity prices would otherwise rise above their competitively-based level.
In reality, there is significant uncertainty surrounding if and when sponsored policy resources will participate in the FCA. In addition to the standard qualification process that all new resources must complete, sponsored policy resources must also satisfy several regulatory hurdles that relate to the preliminary awarding and final terms of the out-of-market contract.

Based on these observations, it would be very challenging for a commercial developer to accurately forecast if sponsored policy resources will participate in the FCA several years before that auction is conducted, when the developer would need to begin making irreversible and costly investments of its own to qualify for this future auction. In cases where developers believe there is a reasonable likelihood of sponsored policy resources qualifying, and no such resources materialize, the concern associated with the second alternative rule persists, as the primary auction will produce a clearing price that exceeds the competitively-based level. Such an outcome is clearly inefficient, as consumers bear the (potentially significant) additional cost associated with this inflated capacity price.

Q: Does this variant on the second alternative rule introduce other concerns that are not present under the CASPR proposal?

A: Yes. By imposing the modified settlement rule and modifying the MOPR to equal the administrative Net CONE value for sponsored policy resources, the variant increases the likelihood that the market clears at this administratively-determined estimate, rather than the true cost of new entry as offered by a
competitive project. Thus, this variant could produce prices that exceed the competitively-based level (when the administrative Net CONE is greater than the true competitive cost of new entry) or fall below the competitively-based level (when the administrative Net CONE is less than the true competitive cost of new entry).

Q: In your opinion, do the concerns corresponding to this variant on the second alternative rule outweigh its expected benefits?

A: Yes. The ISO is concerned that this variant will not have its intended effect due to the significant uncertainty associated with developing and qualifying new capacity resources (sponsored or not). As a result, it may fail to produce competitively-based capacity prices in the primary auction, potentially increasing the costs to consumers.

As noted throughout the testimony, there is a fundamental tension between achieving competitively-based capacity prices and preventing inefficient overbuild, and in instances where the ISO must choose between design details that balance this tradeoff differently, it will tend to prioritize competitively-based capacity prices as they guide entry and exit decisions of competitive supply, and determine payments to over 30 GW of capacity and FCM costs to consumers. Evaluating the design options through this rubric, the ISO proposes to exclude competitive new resources from participating as substitution auction demand to most effectively produce competitively-based capacity prices.
VII. SUBSTITUTION AUCTION BID AND OFFER FLEXIBILITY

A. Allowing bid and offer flexibility between the primary auction and substitution auction will better accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM

Q: Please describe what is meant by bid and offer flexibility with regard to substitution auction participation for existing resources.

A: The CASPR design and revised FCM rules provide existing resources with three distinct forms of bid and offer flexibility. First, bid type flexibility allows existing resources that sold capacity in the primary auction to submit demand bids in the substitution auction regardless of what type of de-list bid they submitted in the primary auction (or if they elected to not submit a de-list bid at all). Second, bid price flexibility allows existing resources to submit a demand bid in the substitution auction at a different price than their de-list bid in the primary auction. (As discussed in earlier Section V.B, sponsored policy resources also have the flexibility to offer at a different price in the substitution auction than in the primary auction, where their offers remain subject to the MOPR). And third, negative bid and offer flexibility allows existing resources and sponsored policy resources to submit bids and offers in the substitution auction at negative prices. Each of these types of flexibility is discussed in more detail below.
Q: How do these bid flexibility features help the CASPR design to meet its central design objectives?

A: Each feature will tend to increase the quantity of demand bids in the substitution auction because they do not preclude participation by existing resources based on actions taken in the primary auction. By increasing demand side participation in the substitution auction, these flexibility features will help to accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time, better achieving design objective 2.

Q: Please describe what you mean by bid type flexibility in more detail.

A: Participation as demand in the substitution auction is not contingent on submitting a specific type of de-list bid in the primary auction. Rather, any existing resource with network interconnection service that sells capacity in the primary auction for the commitment period can submit a demand bid in the substitution auction.

An existing resource could therefore participate as demand in the substitution auction after submitting a static de-list bid, permanent de-list bid, retirement bid, or no de-list bid in the primary auction, provided it retains its CSO in the primary auction. This bid type flexibility allows a broad set of existing resources to participate as demand, rather than limiting the set of resources that can buy out of their obligation based on the type of de-list bid submitted in the primary auction.
Q: Why does the ISO propose this bid type flexibility feature?
A: This bid type flexibility feature will increase the set of resources that submit
demand bids in the substitution auction relative to more restrictive measures that
would require specific types of participation in the primary auction to submit a
demand bid. This increased participation will increase liquidity on the demand
side of the substitution auction, thereby helping to accommodate sponsored policy
resources into the FCM.

Q: Given that a resource that submits a demand bid in the substitution auction
indicates a willingness to permanently retire from all markets (at some
price), would it be sensible to also require this resource to submit a priced
retirement bid in the primary auction?
A: No. There are several reasons that a resource may wish to submit a demand in the
substitution auction while not submitting a priced retirement bid in the primary
auction. First, the resource may be willing to retire only if it is able to buy out of
its obligation at a negative price, which would result in a larger severance
payment, ceteris paribus, than buying out at a non-negative price. De-list bids at
negative prices are not permitted in the primary auction, and the resource may not
be willing to retire at a zero price. The substitution auction will allow resources
to submit such negatively-priced demand bids in the substitution auction. This
feature is discussed in more detail later in this section.
Second, an existing resource may wish to submit a static or dynamic de-list bid in
the primary auction, which indicates a willingness to “sit out” of the FCM for a
year (that is, continue operating without a CSO for a one-year commitment
period) if the primary auction price is sufficiently low, yet nevertheless be willing
to submit a demand bid in the substitution auction (at a different price) that also
indicates a willingness to permanently retire from all markets. While the differing
bid obligations associated with each bid type may appear contradictory, such
bidding behavior can be entirely rational.

Relatively low-cost capacity suppliers will tend to submit a static or dynamic de-
list bid in the primary auction to reflect the opportunity cost associated with
having a CSO in the given commitment period (rather than earning greater
performance payments for all energy and reserves delivered during scarcity hours
without a CSO). Such resources may also be willing to retire in the substitution
auction, but only if they are able to buy out of their obligation at a very low (and
possibly negative) price. (Note, buying out at a lower price means receiving a
larger severance payment.) For such resources, it would be rational to submit a
static or dynamic de-list bid in the primary auction, and also offer a demand bid in
the substitution auction.
Q: Your second bid flexibility concept, noted earlier, was bid price flexibility. Please describe this bid price flexibility feature.

A: A substitution auction demand bid can be submitted at any price, and is not constrained or limited based on the resource’s bidding behavior in the primary auction.

Q: Why is it appropriate to permit bid price flexibility in the substitution auction?

A: As outlined earlier, the bid type flexibility allows resources that have a CSO to submit a demand bid in the substitution auction independent of which type (or even whether) they submitted a de-list bid in the primary auction. In cases where a resource submits a static or dynamic de-list bid in the primary auction and a demand bid in the substitution auction, it is entirely appropriate that these bids would be at different prices: the resource incurs potentially different – indeed, quite different – obligations if does not retain its CSO in each situation.

For example, a resource that has a static de-list bid accepted can sell its capacity for that same commitment period in a reconfiguration auction or offer its qualified capacity in a future FCA. As a result, by not selling its capacity in the primary auction, it does not forfeit the opportunity to participate in later auctions. On the other hand, an accepted demand bid in the substitution auction requires that the resource permanently retire from all ISO-administered markets at the start of the
relevant commitment period, effectively prohibiting the resource from offering its
capacity into a reconfiguration auction or a future FCA.

Q: If an existing resource were able to submit both a priced retirement bid and
a static de-list bid in the primary auction, would these bids be submitted at
the same price?

A: In most cases, no. Currently, existing resources may submit a priced retirement
bid or a static de-list bid in the primary auction, but not both. It is therefore
appropriate that they only include one price. However, with the introduction of a
substitution auction, a resource may choose to submit a static de-list bid in the
primary auction at one price (where the resource must sit out of the capacity
market for one year if the clearing price falls below its de-list bid price), and a
demand bid in the substitution auction at a different price (where the resource
must permanently exit all markets if the clearing price falls below its demand bid
price). In such cases, an existing resource may reasonably wish to submit
different bid prices in each stage and the bid price flexibility feature allows this.

Q: Are there limitations to the demand bid price that is entered into substitution
auction on behalf of existing resources?

A: Yes. The demand bid price an existing resource submits for the substitution
auction is not constrained by how it participates in the primary auction. However,
in cases where an existing resource submits a demand bid price that exceeds the
primary auction clearing price, this demand bid price is reduced to the primary
auction clearing price. This bid price adjustment ensures that the resource’s bid
does not reflect a willingness to buy out at a cost in excess of its primary auction
payment (which would represent a severance charge).

Q: Did the ISO consider allowing existing resources to submit “spread bids”
that would represent the minimum severance payment that they must receive
to willingly retire following the substitution auction?

A: Yes. Mechanically, a spread bid in the substitution auction would reflect the
minimum severance payment on a per-kW-month basis that an existing resource
would willingly accept to shed its obligation. Because the severance payment is
based on a standard two-settlement structure, this spread bid would therefore
specify the minimum difference between the (higher) primary auction clearing
price and the (lower) substitution auction clearing price that an existing resource
would accept.

Spread bids are different, both in format and in their economic interpretation, than
a substitution auction demand bid format that stipulates the maximum price the
resource is willing to pay to buy out of its obligation. After evaluating how a
spread bid feature would work, we concluded that this feature is not necessary.

More specifically, an existing resource would maximize its profits by submitting a
demand bid at the maximum price at which it would willingly buy out of its
obligation. Unlike a spread bid, such a demand bid is not dependent on the
primary auction clearing price.
Q: Why would it not be preferred (that is, profit maximizing) for an existing resource to submit a spread bid in the substitution auction, rather than submitting a demand bid specifying the maximum price at which it is willing to buy out of its obligation?

A: Once a resource has sold its capacity in the primary auction, it will receive the primary auction clearing price, whether it retains this obligation or buys out of it in the substitution auction. As a result, the optimal demand bid price that the resource should submit in the substitution auction is not dependent on the primary auction clearing price. Rather, it should be equal to the price at which the resource would be indifferent between retaining its CSO and buying out of this obligation and permanently exiting the market. A spread bid format would not enable a resource to convey the specific price at which it is indifferent between retaining its CSO and permanently exiting the market.

Q: Please explain further. Can you provide a numerical example illustrating why the primary auction clearing price does not impact the optimal substitution auction bid price?

A: Yes. Imagine that (hypothetical) existing resource A has a breakeven price of $4/kW-month and the primary auction clears at a price of $10/kW-month. (For simplicity of this example, I assume that this breakeven price corresponds to a retirement bid and therefore accounts for the option value corresponding with continued operation in future periods, that is, it is the price where the resource is indifferent between retaining its CSO and permanently retiring in the primary
If resource A retains its CSO, it will earn $6/kW-month in expected profit for the commitment period (equal to the difference between the primary auction clearing price and its breakeven price).

Now assume that existing resource A also submits a demand bid at its breakeven price of $4/kW-month in the substitution auction. If the substitution auction clearing price is less than $4/kW-month, resource A buys out of its obligation and earns profits that are greater than $6/kW-month (meaning it is made better off by shedding its obligation). If the substitution auction clearing price is greater than $4/kW-month, resource A is instead happy to retain its obligation and earn a profit of $6/kW-month.

Observe that in this example, resource A maximizes its profits for any substitution auction clearing price by submitting a demand bid at a fixed price equal to its breakeven price. This profit maximizing bid price is not affected by the first stage outcome. If the primary auction clearing price had instead been $7/kW-month, resource A’s optimal bidding behavior in the second stage would be unchanged.

Observe that if resource A had instead submitted a spread bid, it would not be able to reflect that this minimum severance payment should be at least $6/kW-month if the primary auction clearing price is $10, whereas this minimum severance payment would fall to $3/kW-month if the primary auction clearing price is instead $7/kW-month. As a result, resource A cannot bid efficiently (or
Your third bid flexibility concept, as noted earlier, was negative bid and offer pricing in the substitution auction. Please describe the negative bid and offer flexibility feature.

As I noted previously, in the substitution auction, resources are permitted to submit supply offers and demand bids at negative prices. These negative bid and offer prices may be as low as the negative FCA starting price (that is, as low as the product of negative one and the FCA starting price). For reference, this would produce an offer/bid floor of -$12.864 per kW-month in the twelfth Forward Capacity Auction that is to be conducted in February, 2018.

Could this negative bid and offer flexibility lead the substitution auction to specify a negative clearing price?

Yes. The substitution auction will produce negative clearing prices in cases where the marginal supply offer or demand bid has a negative price.

When the substitution auction clearing price is negative, would sponsored policy resources that sell capacity be required to pay for a CSO?

Yes. This is analogous to instances where the energy market price is negative and the suppliers that deliver energy are assessed a charge.
Q: Why would a sponsored policy resource willingly take on a CSO at a negative price?

A: At first glance, it may appear puzzling for a sponsored policy resource to submit a supply offer in the substitution auction at a negative price, as this effectively indicates the resource is willing to pay for the opportunity to hold a CSO. Instead, one may expect that the sponsored policy resource would be better off not clearing in the substitution auction and earning positive performance payments for energy and reserves delivered during scarcity conditions.

However, this logic is incomplete. Specifically, it overlooks one key feature of the design. By selling capacity in the substitution auction, the sponsored policy resource not only obtains a CSO for the coincident commitment period (and the corresponding payment or charge based on the substitution auction clearing price), but it also obtains the right to participate as an existing resource in future FCAs. As an existing resource, it will be able to offer its capacity without application of the MOPR in subsequent years, and receive a potentially higher primary auction clearing price (inasmuch as the primary auction prices will tend to be higher than the substitution auction clearing prices, as I described earlier in Section V.B). In order to increase the likelihood that it initially acquires a CSO and thereby receives a higher (primary auction) clearing price in all following commitment periods, a sponsored policy resource may be willing to offer into the substitution auction at a negative price.
Q: Why would an existing resource submit a demand bid in the substitution auction at a negative price?

A: A demand bid in the substitution auction represents the highest price that the resource would pay to buy out of its CSO and permanently exit all markets. For older, less-efficient existing units that are approaching the end of their economic life, this demand bid price may be relatively high as the resource would willingly retire for a small severance payment. (Recall that due to its two-settlement design, a higher substitution auction price implies a lower severance payment, and therefore lower net profit, for an existing resource.)

In contrast, for units that would otherwise expect to continue operation for some time, this demand bid price may be negative to reflect that the resource would be willing to permanently retire, but only in exchange for a very large severance payment to offset the future revenues that it would pass up if it retired now. In fact, with a negative substitution auction clearing price, this severance payment would exceed the (one-year) capacity payment made to resources that sold capacity in the primary auction and retained their obligations.

Q: Does permitting negative bids and offers reduce the likelihood of “price ties” in the clearing process?

A: Yes. If a number of sponsored policy resources are willing to sell capacity at negative prices, but the substitution auction price floor is set at $0.00, these resources would all offer at $0.00. If the quantity of capacity supply offered at
$0.00 exceeds total capacity demand, then the substitution auction cannot ensure that capacity is awarded to the sponsored policy resource(s) that are truly willing to sell at the lowest (i.e., most negative) price. This concern is ameliorated by allowing negative supply offers.

Observe that this same concept is applied in the energy market today, where negatively priced energy offers ensure that demand is met by the set of resources that are willing to supply it for the lowest price.

Q: Can you provide an example illustrating how this concern is addressed by allowing negative supply offers in the substitution auction?

A: Yes. Imagine that there are two sponsored policy resources that each offer 100 MW of qualified capacity into the FCA. Sponsored policy resource S1 is willing to sell its capacity in the substitution auction at -$5/kW-month and sponsored policy resource S2 will sell its capacity at -$1/kW-month. There is one 90 MW demand bid in the substitution auction that is submitted at $3/kW-month.

If the price floor was set at $0/kW-month as in the left panel of Figure VII.1, resources S1 and S2 would both offer at this price. If capacity is awarded pro-rata in the case of such a ‘price tie’, then resources S1 and S2 would each be awarded 45 MW of capacity. This is plainly inefficient; the 45 MW of capacity supplied by resource S2 could be supplied by resource A at lower cost.
The right panel of Figure VII.1 illustrates how permitting negative supply offers leads the substitution auction to clear more efficiently. More specifically, all capacity sold in the substitution auction is provided by lower cost resource S1.

**Q:** Why do the rules set the price floor at the product of negative one and the FCA starting price?

**A:** This value represents a lower bound on expected supply offer prices in the substitution auction. This claim is most easily demonstrated with a simple example. Imagine that a sponsored policy resource is going to be built even if it does not obtain a CSO, and this resource expects to operate for 20 years. Furthermore, the MOPR prevents this resource from selling its capacity in the primary auction when it is treated as new capacity.
If the resource clears in the substitution auction in year 1, its total FCM revenue (ignoring performance payments) is equal to the substitution auction clearing price in year 1, plus the primary auction clearing price for the remaining nineteen years in which it operates. If the resource does not clear in this first substitution auction but instead first clears in the substitution auction one year later (year 2), then it receives the substitution auction clearing price in year 2, and the primary auction clearing price for the final 18 years of its economic life. Not clearing in the first substitution auction therefore reduces its lifetime FCM payments by the FCA clearing price (plus the difference in the substitution auction clearing prices between the two years, if any).

This observation informs the bidding behavior of sponsored policy resources, as they consider how not clearing in the substitution auction impacts their future FCM revenue. More specifically, the resource should only be willing to sell capacity at a loss in the substitution auction if this loss (which also includes reduced capacity performance payments since the resource now has an obligation) is fully offset by the additional FCM revenue associated with receiving the primary auction clearing price for an additional year. Because this additional revenue cannot exceed the FCA starting price, it is only appropriate that a sponsored policy resource would never sell capacity via the substitution auction in exchange for a charge that exceeds the FCA starting price.
B. IMM review and the potential impact of substitution auction participation on primary auction clearing prices

Q: Please summarize the current process by which the Internal Market Monitor reviews supply offers and delist bids in the FCA.

A: The IMM currently reviews supply offers and delist bids submitted to the FCA to help prevent instances where the exercise of market power could otherwise produce capacity prices that are not competitively-based. More specifically, the IMM reviews each de-list bid from existing resources and may mitigate each price down if the participant’s submitted bid is determined to exceed the resource’s true breakeven price (that is, their cost of honoring a CSO for the applicable commitment period, inclusive of any opportunity costs). This process helps to prevent scenarios where the primary auction clearing price is inflated above its competitive level as a result of supplier-side market power.

Furthermore, the MOPR provision requires the IMM to determine an Offer Floor Price for new resources to ensure that they cannot offer below their competitive prices in the primary auction. This process seeks to address concerns about buyer-side market power and price suppression in the primary auction.

Q: Do the rules extend the IMM’s review process to include offers and bids in the substitution auction?

A: No. The rules do not include IMM review of substitution auction supply offers or demand bids.
Q: Do the rules allow resources to submit offers and bids without IMM review?

A: The IMM reviews supply offers and de-list bids in the primary auction because they have the ability to impact the primary auction clearing price, which guides entry and exit decisions from competitive resources, determines the capacity payment for the large majority of suppliers, and determines the total cost to consumers.

The substitution auction represents a mechanism to transfer capacity between suppliers that voluntarily elect to participate. The substitution auction clearing price does not directly impact the capacity price paid to the suppliers who do not participate in it, and it does not materially impact costs to load. As a result, the concerns motivating IMM review in the primary auction are not present in the substitution auction.

Q: Does the IMM review supply offers and demand bids submitted in reconfiguration auctions?

A: No. There is no IMM review of supply offers and demand bids in the annual or monthly reconfiguration auctions each year. The rationale is similar to that given above regarding the substitution auction.

Q: Does the ISO’s proposal change how the IMM will review bids and offers in the primary auction?

A: No. The IMM will continue to review de-list bids for instances of seller-side market power in the primary auction under the same rules as today. The IMM
will continue to review supply offers from new resources for instances of buyer-side market power in the primary auction, under the same rules as today.

Q: Despite the fact that the substitution auction is conducted after the primary auction, are there any ways through which the introduction of the substitution auction could impact primary auction clearing prices?

A: Yes. There are two possible ways in which the introduction of a substitution auction could impact primary auction clearing prices. First, there may be an intertemporal pricing effect when older, more costly resources are replaced sooner than may otherwise occur, because they transfer their obligations through the substitution auction to sponsored policy resources that receive out-of-market revenues and can participate as existing in future auctions. Second, there is a potential incentive for existing resources that are considering retirement to bid lower in the primary auction in some situations, as it can be more profitable to retire via the substitution auction (where the resource would then receive a severance payment) than through the primary auction (where it would not). Each of these effects is discussed in more detail below.

Q: Please describe the potential intertemporal pricing effect.

A: The substitution auction coordinates the entry of new sponsored policy resources with the exit of older existing resources that permanently retire. In subsequent auctions, a sponsored policy resource participates as existing, and it may choose to offer its capacity at a price that falls below the price that would have been offered by the older resource had it retained its obligation.
Q: Could this displacement of higher-cost existing resources with lower-cost sponsored policy resources reduce primary auction clearing prices over time?

A: Under certain conditions, this is possible. To see why, imagine that the older existing resource sells its capacity in the year 1 primary auction, and then compare clearing outcomes in the year 2 primary auction under two scenarios: one where there is no substitution auction and the existing resource participates as supply in the year 2 primary auction, and a second case where the existing resource now transfers its obligation to a new sponsored policy resource in the year 1 substitution auction. If, in year 2, the older existing resource would not have retained its obligation in the primary auction (either because its costs would have increased further, or other market conditions would lead the primary auction clearing price to decrease), whereas the sponsored policy resource, which now is treated as existing, sells its capacity, the primary auction clearing price will be reduced by this intertemporal effect.

This is shown in Figure VII.2. Here, I assumed total capacity demand in the primary auction decreases between year 1 and year 2. This figure features three panels, where the left panel illustrates the primary auction clearing outcome in year 1. In this first year, existing resource E sells capacity as its offer price falls below the primary auction clearing price of $P_1^*$. The center and right panels of the figure then illustrate the primary auction clearing outcome in the second year under two different scenarios: (A) the base case where there is no substitution
auction and resource E again participates as an existing resource in year 2, and (B) the alternative case where there is a substitution auction, and resource E is assumed to have transferred its CSO to sponsored policy resource S promptly following the year 1 primary auction (that is, in the year 1 substitution auction). In this alternative case (B) in the far right panel, resource S then participates as an existing resource in the year 2 primary auction.

Figure VII.2

Observe that the primary auction clearing price is higher in year 2 under the base case scenario (A) (the middle panel of Figure VII.2), where there is no substitution auction; it is lower in the alternative scenario (B) where there is a substitution auction and resource E has transferred its obligation to resource S in the prior substitution auction. The reason for this decrease in price is that, if resource E retained its obligation in year 1, it would not have cleared in year 2, whereas sponsored policy resource S submits a lower offer price and does clear.
Stated in simple terms, in year 2, newer (sponsored) capacity with lower costs once commercial has replaced older (existing) capacity that, in these illustrations, is assumed to have higher costs. If the older capacity has sufficiently high costs to be marginal (as in the middle panel of Figure VII.2) or extra-marginal (not shown here), but the new capacity that replaces it is inframarginal, the accelerated replacement of the older resource via the substitution auction may result in a lower capacity clearing price (relative to a scenario in which the sponsored capacity resource had never entered).

We call this phenomenon an intertemporal pricing effect, inasmuch as the adoption of the substitution auction may shift the retirement date over time – that is, intertemporally – to an earlier year than when it would otherwise retire.

Q: Does the intertemporal pricing effect impact primary auction prices if the existing resource would have been an inframarginal resource in the year 2 primary auction?

A: No. To see why, let’s now change the conditions shown in the prior figure slightly. Now, imagine that system demand in the primary auction is instead unchanged between years 1 and 2. This scenario is illustrated in Figure VII.3.
In this figure, resource E’s inframarginal capacity in the year 2 base case (the middle panel in Figure VII.3) is replaced by resource S’s inframarginal capacity in the alternative case (the right panel in Figure VII.3). As a result, total cleared capacity remains unchanged in both of those panels, and the primary auction price in year 2 is unaffected.

**Q:** Based on this pair of examples, is it correct to conclude that an intertemporal price effect can reduce capacity prices relative to what might prevail with no substitution auction— but a specific set of market conditions must apply?

**A:** Yes. In cases where the existing resource would be inframarginal if it offered its capacity in the year 2 primary auction, there is no intertemporal price effect as illustrated in Figure VII.3. For this effect to impact primary auction prices, either the existing resource must set the price in the year 1 primary auction, or supply/demand conditions must change between years 1 and 2. For example, in Figure VII.2, system demand decreases from year 1 to year 2.
Q: Did the ISO consider modifications to the design that reduce the likelihood
or impact of the intertemporal pricing effect?

A: Yes. As discussed earlier, the objective to retain competitively-based capacity
prices is in fundamental tension with the goal of accommodating sponsored policy
resources into the FCM over time. Ultimately, the ISO concluded that the only
methodology that would prevent this intertemporal pricing effect from occurring
in any circumstance would be to exclude sponsored policy resources from the
primary auction altogether (that is, in year 2 and beyond). While that would more
effectively retain competitively-based capacity prices in the limited cases where
the intertemporal pricing effect would otherwise reduce these prices, it fails to
accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM. Indeed, such a
restriction would make the entire CASPR effort to accommodate sponsored policy
resources into the FCM a fruitless endeavor.

Q: Does that mean the potential intertemporal pricing effect is economically
inherent to accommodating sponsored policy resources into the FCM over
time?

A: Yes, I believe so. It is not possible to guarantee that there will be no potential
effect on future primary auction capacity prices if sponsored policy resources are
to be accommodated within the FCM. Markets afford no such guarantees.
Instead, to make meaningful progress accommodating sponsored policy resources
into the FCM, the region must accept the inherent economic fact that replacing
old with new sooner than a competitive market would do so (i.e., as a result of
sponsored resources entry) will potentially result in lower capacity prices under
some conditions. This is why we emphasize that the CASPR design must
balance among its central design objectives – they cannot all be simultaneously
achieved perfectly.

Q: Let’s now turn to the second potential pricing effect you noted earlier, which
cconcerned bidding incentives in the primary auction. Please describe that
potential bidding incentive.
A: Currently, an existing resource that is considering retirement in the primary
auction has no incentive to lower its retirement de-list bid price below its true
breakeven value because doing so simply introduces the possibility that the
resource retains its obligation to operate at an economic loss.

The introduction of a substitution auction changes this calculus. More
specifically, in certain situations, an existing resource may have an incentive to
reduce its de-list bid below its true breakeven price in order to increase the
likelihood that it sells its capacity in the first stage, and then buys out of this
obligation (and earns a severance payment) in the second stage.

Q: Could that reduce the primary auction clearing price below its competitively-
based level?
A: In theory, yes, that is possible. However, a specific set of conditions must be
satisfied in order for this lower-priced bidding behavior to impact the primary
auction clearing price. More specifically, the existing resource that reduces its de-
list bid below its true breakeven price must have costs (including opportunity
costs) that would make it either the marginal resource or an extra-marginal
resource in the FCA, but elect to offer its capacity primary auction at a lower
price that makes the resource inframarginal or marginal, respectively, in the
primary auction. This incentive could arise if the expected severance payment in
the substitution auction is sufficiently large, and the risk of failing to shed it in the
substitution auction – and potentially retaining the obligation at a loss – is
sufficiently remote.

The incentive to reduce a bid below its true breakeven price in these
circumstances is termed “bid shading.” Its impact is illustrated in Figure VII.4,
which illustrates the outcome when (hypothetical) existing resource E, which
would not sell capacity if it offers at its true costs, chooses to “shade down” its
delist-bid. The left panel illustrates the base case where resource E bids at its true
breakeven price in the primary auction. This produces a competitively-based
capacity price of $P^B$ (denoting “B” for “base” case). The right panel shows the
counterfactual where resource E instead shades its bid price down sufficiently that
it is now below the primary auction clearing price. In this counterfactual case, a
different resource, F, is marginal and sets the capacity clearing price at a lower
level, denoted by $P^C$ (“C” for “counterfactual” case).
Q: Could the potential incentive for bid shading reduce the primary auction clearing price in other instances, such as if an existing resource is inframarginal at its true cost?

A: No. In that instance, the existing resource will not impact the primary auction clearing price by shading down its bid. This is shown in Figure VII.5, where resource E is now inframarginal in the primary auction when it offers its capacity at its true breakeven price. The left panel again illustrates the primary auction clearing price, $P^B$, under the base case in which resource E submits a de-list bid at its true breakeven price. The right panel shows that the primary auction produces the same clearing price when resource E shades its bid down.
Q: In cases where bid shading does impact primary auction clearing prices, do you expect the price impact to be significant?

A: No, I do not. If the primary auction price is affected at all, the magnitude of this impact will depend greatly on the price sensitivity (that is, the elasticity) of both the supply and demand curves in the vicinity of where they intersect. The introduction of more elastic sloped demand curves in the FCA’s primary auction in recent years reduces the price effect of such scenarios relative to the vertical requirements that had been in place previously. Furthermore, the introduction of the Pay for Performance capacity construct increases the elasticity of the primary auction supply curve relative to previous rules.

Combined, these two features will tend to mute any primary capacity auction price impacts that might occur because of bid shading. This is illustrated in Figure VII.4 above, where resource E’s bid shading does not significantly
increase the capacity quantity cleared in the primary auction. Rather, resource E’s
capacity replaces what would have been the highest-cost cleared supplier
(resource F in that figure), and the effect on the primary auction clearing price is
muted.

Q: Do you anticipate that bid shading in the primary auction will be prevalent
among existing resources (that participate in the substitution auction)?

A: No. First, this incentive exists only for existing resources that seek to participate
(as demand) in the substitution auction. Since participating as demand in the
substitution auction may result in a resource permanently exiting all ISO-
administered markets, I expect that only resources that are nearing potential
retirement will find substitution auction participation attractive. Although the
ISO has indicated publicly that it believes several GW of older capacity resources
are at risk for potential retirement, this is a small share of the system’s total
existing resources (approximately 37 GW following FCA 11).

Second, while bid shading can lead existing resources to receive a severance
payment that they would otherwise forgo, it also poses a significant financial risk.
More specifically, it introduces the possibility that the existing resource sells its
capacity in the primary auction at a price below its true breakeven price, and it
then does not clear its demand bid in the substitution auction. In such cases, the

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resource would retain its CSO at a price below what the resource requires to
willingly meet this obligation.

Q: Do you believe it is likely that bid shading will materially reduce the primary
auction clearing price below its competitively-based level?
A: No. While it is not possible to know with certainty, I expect that bid shading will
occur infrequently because the risk of retaining a CSO at a low price can result in
an economic loss to the resource. Furthermore, if bid shading does occur, it will
impact the primary auction clearing price in only a limited set of circumstances,
and in these circumstances, I expect the price impact will tend to be modest.

Q: Does the ISO’s filing expand the FCA’s mitigation process and include new
rules to protect against bid shading?
A: No. For the reasons explained above, I do not believe that bid shading will
materially impact primary auction prices. Based on this expectation, I do not
believe it is essential to expand the scope of the existing FCA’s mitigation process
to attempt to detect and mitigate such behavior.

Q: Did the ISO consider any provisions that may help reduce the likelihood or
impact of bid shading behavior?
A: Yes. During the stakeholder process, some participants raised concerns about bid
shading in the primary auction, and discussed adding provisions that would
require the IMM to determine a resource-specific “competitive” price floor for
any existing resource that submitted a demand bid in the substitution auction. The
resource specific price floor would apply in the primary auction (not the
substitution auction), to limit or deter potential bid shading behavior. In effect,
this floor addresses bid shading by preventing existing resources from submitting
de-list bids in the primary auction below their estimated breakeven (that is,
resource-specific “competitive”) price in order to increase the likelihood of
receiving a severance payment.

Q: Does the ISO oppose an expanded mitigation process for that purpose in the
primary auction, at a conceptual level?

A: No. We do not believe such an expanded mitigation process is essential for the
CASPR design to function successfully and meet its central design objectives, as
explained above. However, at a conceptual level, we do not see expanded
resource-specific mitigation (in the primary auction) of existing resources (that
seek to participate in the substitution auction) as fundamentally problematic or
inconsistent with the design objectives outlined in Section IV.

Q: Why did the ISO ultimately not include an expanded mitigation process for
that purpose as part of the instant filing?

A: Because we view the risks associated with potential bid shading as modest, and
because there are significant inherent incentives to not engage in bid shading
behavior (due to the prospect of financial loss as a result), we do not believe this
additional mitigation represents an essential requirement for the CASPR design to
be successful and achieve its central design objectives.
Nevertheless, cognizant of the fact that the substitution auction is a new design and preserving competitive capacity pricing is a central design objective, further analysis of this issue would be prudent. In particular, I believe it would be worthwhile to evaluate how a specific enhanced mitigation process to address concerns regarding potential bid shading could be designed, the timing and information collection efforts that it would require, and the precise consequences that should ensue if an existing resource’s de-list bid was below its estimated breakeven price in the primary auction. These are non-trivial issues that may take time and expertise to evaluate, and my expectation is that any resulting rule changes would need to be vetted through the usual regional stakeholder process to incorporate the knowledge and perspectives of the market participants that may be directly affected by them.

VIII. SUBSTITUTION AUCTION CLEARING AND PRICING RULES

A. Supply offer and demand bid quantities

Q: Does the substitution auction allow non-rationable demand bids and supply offers?

A: A demand bid or supply offer is non-rationable if it is offered as all-or-nothing in the auction, and therefore cannot be partially cleared. For context, the primary auction gives capacity suppliers the option to make their supply offers non-rationable.
Demand bids in the substitution auction are treated as non-rationable, meaning each bid must be cleared in its entirety, or not at all. Supply offers are fully rationable and therefore may be partially cleared.

Q: Why does the proposal employ non-rationable demand bids while requiring that all supply offers are fully rationable?

A: In order to effectively coordinate the entry of sponsored policy resources and the exit of existing resources, the quantities of supply and demand cleared in the substitution auction must be equal. If the substitution auction allowed both non-rationable supply offers and demand bids, when there are not supply offers and demand bids of identical size (either individually, or in aggregate), the substitution auction would potentially be unable to clear anything at all – even when there are many economic supply offers and demand bids submitted. As a result, the substitution auction would not accommodate any sponsored policy resources into the FCM because doing so would fail to keep system capacity at its primary auction level.

In order to accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM, it is therefore necessary to require that at least one side of the auction – that is, either supply offers or demand bids – is treated as fully rationable.
Q: Why does the substitution auction require that supply offers are fully rationable while demand bids are non-rationable?

A: In many cases, we expect that sponsored policy resources that participate in the substitution auction will be built independent of whether they receive a CSO in the substitution auction. In such cases, the sponsored policy resource would prefer to sell some of its capacity in the substitution auction rather than not selling any, and treating its offer as rationable increases this possibility. In instances where it sells a portion of its capacity in the substitution auction, the sponsored policy resource can re-offer its qualified new capacity that did not clear in the substitution auction in the following years’ FCAs, until it is entirely cleared.

This concept does not apply on the demand side of the market, where the feasibility of permanently retiring a portion of a demand bid is questionable. If the substitution auction cleared a portion of a demand bid, this would effectively require the resource to both (i) satisfy its CSO for the capacity that it retained and (ii) permanently retire the portion of capacity that is shed in the substitution auction. A resource may not be able to satisfy both of these conditions (due to the impracticality of partially shuttering generating turbines and such); and even when it is possible, it may be prohibitively costly to do so. As a result, requiring demand bids to be fully rationable may reduce demand-side participation in the substitution auction.
Based on these observations, the ISO determined that the proposal better meets its design objectives when it requires that supply offers are fully rationable in the substitution auction, while demand bids are treated as non-rationable, much like retirement bids submitted in the primary auction.

**B. Substitution auction clearing rules**

**Q:** What objective function does the substitution auction use to determine which supply offers and demand bids are accepted?

**A:** Consistent with other ISO-administered markets, including the primary auction, the substitution auction clears supply offers and demand bids to maximize social surplus based on the bids and offers submitted.

**Q:** How is social surplus measured in the context of the substitution auction?

**A:** Social surplus is calculated based on the supply offer and demand bid prices submitted in the substitution auction. More specifically, social surplus associated with the substitution auction is calculated as the total dollar amount that all buyers with cleared demand-side bids are willing to pay (at most) to buy-out of their obligations, less the total dollar amount that all suppliers with cleared supply-side bids are willing to accept (at least) to acquire CSOs. In graphical terms, this essentially corresponds to the area under the substitution auction’s aggregate demand curve less the area under the aggregate supply curve, for those portions of the demand and supply curves that represent cleared bids and offers.
Q: Does the substitution auction clearing process include any constraints?
A: Yes. The substitution auction clearing is constrained to ensure that total cleared supply is equal to total cleared demand. The clearing process also includes additional constraints that limit the instances where capacity can be transferred between capacity zones in the substitution auction.

Combined, these constraints help to ensure that the substitution auction does not adversely impact system reliability and retains competitively-based capacity prices in future auctions at both the system and zonal levels.

The series of clearing examples discussed in the remainder of part B and in part C of this section assume only one capacity zone for simplicity, thereby ignoring the constraints governing inter-zonal transfers. The clearing process and its constraints related to inter-zonal transfers are discussed in detail further below, in part D of this section.

Q: Can you provide an example illustrating how the substitution auction determines which supply offers and demand bids are accepted to maximize social surplus?
A: Yes. Figure VIII.1 illustrates a one zone example that includes two demand bids, D¹ and D², and three supply offers, S¹, S², and S³. The demand bids are arranged in descending order of bid price and their cumulative bid MW in Figure VIII.1 to illustrate the aggregate demand curve (shown in red). Analogously, the three
supply offers are arranged in ascending order of offer price and their cumulative offer MW to illustrate the aggregate supply curve (shown in blue).

**Figure VIII.1**

In this example, the substitution auction clears at the aggregate quantity $Q^*$ of CSO MW, which is the quantity at the intersection of the aggregate supply and demand curves. Non-rationable demand bids $D^1$ and $D^2$ are both fully cleared. Supply offer $S^1$ is fully cleared and supply offer $S^2$ is partially cleared to ensure that total cleared supply is exactly equal to total cleared demand. Sponsored policy resource $S^3$ is offered at a higher price and therefore does not clear in the substitution auction – clearing capacity from this offer instead of the MW offered by resources $S^1$ or $S^2$ would reduce social surplus.
Q: Are cleared supply offers and demand bids always fully determined by where they fall relative to the intersection of the aggregate supply and demand curves?

A: No, not in every possible clearing scenario. It is possible in Figure VIII.1, because supply and demand intersect along a horizontal portion of the supply curve, and all supply offers are fully rationable. In this scenario, it is possible to clear the portion of resource S^2's marginal supply offer that falls to the left of the intersection while not clearing the portion of resource S^2's offer that falls to the right of the intersection.

However, under different conditions, the aggregate supply and demand curves may intersect along a horizontal portion of the demand curve. In such cases, that seemingly marginal demand bid cannot be partially cleared. This scenario is illustrated in Figure VIII.2.

Figure VIII.2
In this more complex example, the clearing process must determine whether social surplus is greater when resource D\(^2\) is fully cleared or not cleared at all. Graphically interpreted, this determination is made by comparing the social surplus *increase* that is created from the capacity that resource D\(^2\) transfers to lower cost supplier S\(^1\) with the social surplus *decrease* that occurs due to resource D\(^2\) transferring capacity to the higher cost supplier S\(^2\). The social surplus increase is represented by the green rectangle in Figure VIII.2, whereas the social surplus decrease is represented by the red rectangle.

In this example, the social surplus increase (green shaded area) corresponding with clearing D\(^2\) is more than offset by the social surplus decrease (red shaded area) – that is, the red rectangle is larger than the green rectangle. The substitution auction would therefore not clear D\(^2\)’s demand bid, and the substitution auction would only clear D\(^1\)’s demand bid – and a portion of S\(^1\)’s supply offer to hold system capacity unchanged.

**Q:** Can you provide an illustrative example where the aggregate supply and demand curves again intersect along a horizontal portion of the demand curve, but the substitution auction would clear this marginal demand bid?

**A:** Yes. Figure VIII.3 illustrates a case where the social surplus *increase* that occurs if resource D\(^1\) transfers capacity to lower-priced resource S\(^1\) exceeds the social surplus *decrease* that results if resource D\(^1\) transfers its remaining capacity to higher-priced resource S\(^2\).
Q: Is it possible that the substitution auction could maximize social surplus by skipping a higher-priced demand bid and instead accepting a lower-priced demand bid?

A: Yes, it is theoretically possible that social surplus is maximized by skipping a higher-priced demand bid while clearing a lower-priced demand bid. To understand why, another figure will be helpful.

In Figure VIII.4, there are two demand bids and only one supply offer. It is not possible to clear the larger resource D₁’s demand bid, because there is not sufficient supply to clear its entire CSO (that is, to accept it and simultaneously hold cleared system capacity constant). However, the lower priced-demand bid submitted by resource D₂ is for fewer CSO MW, and can therefore be offset MW-for-MW by capacity supplied from resource S₁. In this case, the demand bid from resource D₁ is skipped, and resource D₂ has its demand bid accepted in the
substitution auction instead. This outcome is fully consistent with the substitution auction’s (technical) objective to maximize social surplus, given all of the bids and offers submitted.

Figure VIII.4

![Diagram](image)

**C. Substitution auction pricing rules**

**Q:** What pricing properties does the substitution auction design seek to satisfy?

**A:** The ISO identified three pricing properties that are based on sound market design principles and are broadly consistent with the price-setting logic employed in other ISO-administered markets. First, when adding an increment of capacity would provide the same reliability impact (with respect to resource adequacy) in each of two different zones, the substitution auction clearing price should be equal in those two zones. Second, substitution auction prices should not exceed the primary auction clearing prices (within each capacity zone). And last, any
partially cleared bid or offer (that is, a truly marginal bid or offer in the auction) should be used to set the auction’s clearing price.

Note that these three properties correspond to three different comparisons, or attributes, of clearing prices. The first property characterizes pricing between zones; the second property characterizes pricing between auctions (the primary and the substitution auction); and the third characterizes a general economic property of market prices, which is to set price equal to marginal cost (whenever there is a marginal, or partially cleared, bid or offer).

Q: Please explain the first pricing property, which specifies that when capacity provides the same reliability value in two zones, the substitution auction specifies the same price in each.

A: The logic is consistent with the pricing rules applied across a range of ISO-administered markets. If, on the margin, capacity in the two zones is perfectly substitutable, this property should be reflected in the price. If this property does not hold, the design introduces arbitrage opportunities as resources sell the same service in the same auction yet would be compensated differently.

Q: Please explain the second pricing property, which specifies that the substitution auction clearing price cannot exceed the primary auction clearing price.

A: The substitution auction will specify a price that is paid to sponsored policy resources that sell capacity, and charged to existing resources that shed their
obligations. If this substitution auction price exceeded the primary auction
clearing price, it would lead sponsored policy resources to receive greater
compensation than competitive resources would – despite the fact that both are
acquiring identical CSOs in each auction.

Furthermore, if the substitution auction clearing price exceeds the primary auction
price (in the same zone), then any cleared demand bids would incur a severance
“charge” as they would buy out of their obligation at a higher price than they were
paid in the first stage.

Neither of these outcomes is sensible or consistent with the intent of the
substitution auction. As a result, the substitution auction pricing rules cap
demand bid prices at the primary auction clearing price, and exclude supply offers
that are above the primary auction clearing price. This treatment of supply offers
and demand bids is explained in Market Rule I Section III.13.2.8.2.3 and
III.13.2.8.3.3.

Q: Please explain the third pricing property, which specifies that partially
cleared offers and bids set the substitution auction clearing price.
A: The substitution auction will partially clear a supply offer or demand bid for the
Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone (which includes any constrained zones that are priced
with it), as well each import- or export-constrained capacity zone that is priced
separately from the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone. In each zone, a partially cleared
offer or bid (if present) will set the substitution auction clearing price. This marginal pricing framework is consistent with price-setting across a range of ISO-administered markets and, to the extent possible in an auction that allows non-rationable bids, helps to preserve sound auction outcomes. More specifically, resources with cleared bids and offers are content to buy and sell capacity at this clearing price, and those that do not clear would not willingly transact at the clearing price.

Because the price is set by the marginal supply offer or demand bid, offers and bids that are not accepted in the substitution auction do not impact its clearing price. This property is consistent with other ISO-administered markets, including the primary auction, where participants that do not clear offers or bids do not participate in the price-setting calculations.

**Q:** What would the substitution auction clearing price be in the scenario depicted in Figure VIII.1 above?

**A:** That example has only one capacity zone, and resource S²’s supply offer is partially cleared. Following the third property discussed above, the substitution auction clearing price is therefore set to S²’s offer price, as shown in Figure VIII.5.
Resource $S^1$ is willing to take on a CSO at a price of $P^*$, as this price is greater than the minimum price it would willingly accept (represented by its offer price). Resource $S^2$ is also willing to accept an obligation at $P^*$, as this price is exactly equal to its offer. Similarly, resources $D^1$ and $D^2$ are willing to buy out of their obligations, as each is charged $P^*$, which is less than their bid prices – which represent the maximum price they would willingly pay.

As discussed earlier, sponsored policy resource $S^3$ does not sell its capacity in this example. Observe that it would not willingly sell its capacity at $P^*$, as this price falls below its offer price.

**Q:** What would the substitution auction clearing price be in the scenario depicted in Figure VIII.2 above?

**A:** The price is set by resource $S^1$, which is partially cleared. This is shown in Figure VIII.6. Both resources that have a bid or offer accepted ($D^1$ and $S^1$) are willing to
buy and sell capacity at that price (and are indifferent at that price, in the case of
resource S¹ in this example).

Figure VIII.6

However, observe that resource D² (shown in earlier Figure VIII.2, but not shown
in Figure VIII.6) would also be willing to buy out of its obligation at P*, but its
demand bid is not accepted.

Q: Can similar outcomes occur in the primary auction under current rules?
A: Yes. Under current rules, the primary auction can specify a price that is greater
than the offer price from a resource that is not awarded a CSO. This outcome
occurs because non-rationable supply offers (or, in the case of the substitution
auction, demand bids) may prevent the auction from clearing at the intersection of
supply and demand.

More generally, in markets that allow non-rationable offers or bids, it is not
possible in general to establish uniform pricing rules that will satisfy all cleared
bids and offers (as we will show momentarily), nor to ensure that the clearing price would not be acceptable to all offers and bids that are not cleared (as illustrated in this last example).

Q: **What would the substitution auction clearing price be in the scenario depicted in Figure VIII.3 above?**

A: The substitution auction clearing price is set by resource $S^2$’s partially cleared supply offer. This is shown in Figure VIII.7.

Both cleared supply offers are willing to accept this price to sell their capacity. However, even though $D^1$’s demand bid was accepted in the substitution auction, this price exceeds the maximum price that resource $D^1$ indicated it was willing to pay to shed its obligation.
Q: In this example, is $D^1$ forced to buy out of its obligation at this higher price $(P^*)$ that exceeds what it was willing to pay?

A: No. Resource $D^1$’s demand bid represents the maximum price at which it would willingly pay to buy out of its obligation. This is a situation in which resource $D^1$ would receive a side payment that would effectively lower the price at which it buys out of its obligation, from $P^*$ to its bid price. This side payment ensures that resource $D^1$ is not forced to buy out of its obligation at a total cost in excess of its demand bid. The magnitude of the side payment tendered to resource $D^1$ is equal to the area shaded in yellow of Figure VIII.8.

Figure VIII.8

Q: Why does the substitution auction use side payments in cases where the clearing price exceeds the bid price of an accepted demand bid?

A: If an existing resource could be forced to buy out of the substitution auction at a price in excess of its demand bid, this would dramatically increase the risk associated with participating as an existing resource in the substitution auction.
This existing resource would be unable to determine, prior to bidding, the maximum price at which it could be forced to buy out of its obligation, and it therefore may choose not to participate in the substitution auction at all, or may respond by inefficiently lowering its demand bid price to mitigate this risk. Either act would reduce the likelihood that this resource would clear, therefore decreasing the substitution auction’s ability to accommodate sponsored policy resources, and thereby undermining design objective 2.

Q: Is there an alternate set of pricing rules that would prevent such scenarios, and produce a uniform clearing price that all cleared supply offers and demand bids would willingly accept?

A: No, not for all possible auction-clearing outcomes. The aggregate supply and demand sides are both constructed from offers and bids from capacity suppliers. Because demand bids are non-rationable, it is not always possible to clear the market at the intersection of these aggregate supply and demand curves. In cases where the substitution auction cannot be cleared at the intersection of supply and demand, the highest priced cleared supply may be offered at a price that exceeds the lowest priced demand bid (as occurs in the example above).

When this outcome occurs, there is no substitution auction clearing price that will satisfy all accepted supply offers and demand bids. In such cases, a side payment to some portion of accepted supply offers or demand bids is necessary. As the third property specifies that the substitution auction clearing price is set by a
partially cleared offer or bid, and the demand-side bids are generally non-rational, the price will be set by the highest priced supply offer and a side payment will be made to affected demand bids (that is, those cleared demand bids that have bid prices below the auction clearing price).

Q: Hypothetically, are there possible changes to the substitution auction clearing rules that would prevent any side payments from ever being necessary?

A: Yes, that is theoretically possible. The clearing rules could, in theory, be modified to include an additional constraint that prevents clearing outcomes that would require side payments. However, this additional constraint would tend to reduce the quantity of sponsored policy resources that clear in the substitution auction, and would also fail to maximize social surplus in many instances (namely, those where the constraint is binding).

For example, in the scenario outlined above, this additional constraint would prevent the substitution auction from clearing any supply or demand, as there is no feasible solution that does not require a side payment. The “no side payments” constraint would therefore prevent a beneficial transfer of capacity in the substitution auction, when judged by a social surplus standpoint, and would also reduce the design’s ability to accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM.
For these reasons, the design does not include a constraint to prevent side payments in the substitution auction.

Q: How are the costs associated with side payments allocated?
A: Side payment costs are allocated to load via the Net Regional Clearing Price, which serves as the primary capacity cost allocation mechanism.

Q: Do you expect the costs of side payments to be large?
A: No. While both the probability and magnitude of side payments are a function of precisely how the aggregate supply and demand curves stack up, and are difficult to predict with any precision, side payments will tend to make up a small fraction of consumers’ total capacity costs.

Q: For illustrative purposes, can you assign prices and quantities to the offers and bids in Figure VIII.8 above, and calculate the side payments that would be allocated to consumers?
A: Yes. Imagine that resource D¹’s offer is for 100 MW at $4/kW-month and resource S²’s supply offer sets the substitution auction clearing price at $5/kW-month. In this case, the total side payment costs would be equal to $1.2 million for the commitment period. This can be calculated by taking the product of the price difference ($5 – $4 = $1/kW-month, effectively the “height” of the yellow rectangle), the size of resource D¹’s offer (the width of the rectangle, 100 MW), and then multiplying the result by a conversion factor of 12,000 to convert the resulting price to $/year. For reference, total capacity for the region tends to cost
upwards of $2 billion annually, meaning, in such a scenario, this side payment represents less than one tenth of one percent of total capacity costs.

Q: Is it possible that the total side payments in a given substitution auction could be significantly larger than in the illustrative example above?

A: Yes, that is possible. The cost will be proportional to the size of the existing resource receiving an uplift payment. For example, holding all else equal, if resource D^1 in the above example was 500 MW (five times what was assumed above), the cost of its side payment would increase fivefold from $1.2 million to $6 million annually.

Similarly, this payment is also proportional to the difference between resource D^1’s bid price and the substitution auction clearing price. If resource D^1 is again assumed to be 100 MW, but it now offers at $3/kW-month (meaning the price difference doubles from $1 kW/month to $2 kW/month), the cost similarly doubles, from $1.2 million to $2.4 million annually.

However, it is important to note that the substitution auction clearing mechanism limits the magnitude of the side payments, in a general way. Broadly speaking, as this side payment increases, the social surplus benefit associated with clearing resource D^1 decreases. At some point, as resource D^1’s size (in MW) increases or its bid price decreases, the social surplus impact of clearing it will become negative, and the substitution auction will no longer clear resource D^1. This is
shown in Figure VIII.9, which is similar to Figure VIII.8 above, except now resource D¹’s bid price is sufficiently lower than S²’s offer price that the social surplus gain from clearing resource D¹’s bid (and transferring its capacity to supply resource S¹) is more than offset by the loss in social surplus from transferring its remaining capacity to resource S². In this example, no capacity would be transferred in the substitution auction, and there is no side payment charge incurred by load. Stated in simple terms, if the side payment would be too large, the resource that would otherwise receive it would not economically clear in the substitution auction at all. In this way, the substitution auction’s clearing process naturally limits the potential magnitude of any side payments necessitated by the non-rationability of potentially retiring resources’ demand bids.

**Figure VIII.9**
Q: Did the ISO consider other methodologies for allocating the costs associated with side payments?

A: Yes. Stakeholders raised the possibility of allocating the costs of side payments to inframarginal supply offers and demand bids in the substitution auction. However, after further analysis, the ISO was concerned that such an approach would adversely impact bidding incentives in the substitution auction. Specifically, resources with demand bids would shade their prices below their true maximum value, and supply offers would shade their offer prices above their minimum offer price, in order to reduce the side payments that they would be charged (provided that a bid or offer that is cleared at the substitution auction clearing price would presumably incur no side payment charge). This is an example of an important and general consideration in good market design: allocating fixed costs (treating the cost of side payments as ‘fixed’ in this context) to market participants with price-sensitive bids will, in general, create clear incentives for those participants to modify their bid and offer prices—for the worse, overall.

In the present context, this incentive to modify a bid or offer would not be trivial. While the costs associated with side payments appear small when spread across (say) 25 GW of load, the costs could become much more significant when only allocated to cleared offers and bids in the substitution auction. In the extreme, such bidding behavior would effectively reduce the substitution auction as a pay-as-bid mechanism. Inevitably, some resources that were truly inframarginal
would modify their offer/bid too much and fail to clear. That outcome is plainly inefficient.

Based on these observations, we concluded that the most sensible rule would be to allocate any side payment costs to load, in the same way that FCM costs are allocated to load today (through the existing Net Regional Clearing Price mechanism).

D. Inter-zonal clearing in the substitution auction

Q: Please describe the clearing constraint that limits inter-zonal capacity transfers in the substitution auction.

A: This constraint limits the transfer of capacity into or out of constrained capacity zones to situations where it can be transferred on a MW-for-MW basis with no impact on system reliability (as measured by resource adequacy).

Q: How does this constraint determine if a MW-for-MW transfer of capacity into or out of a constrained capacity zone would impact system reliability?

A: This determination is based on the ISO’s calculations of capacity’s marginal reliability impact (“MRI”). These MRI values are also used to derive the system and zonal demand curves that specify the ISO’s willingness to buy capacity in the primary auction. In constrained zones, this MRI value reflects the incremental reliability impact of moving a MW of capacity from the Rest-of-Pool Capacity Zone into the constrained zone.
In import-constrained zones, as more capacity is added to the zone, capacity’s incremental reliability value in the zone decreases to reflect that the probability of localized blackouts decreases. Eventually, this zonal incremental reliability value becomes zero to reflect that capacity no longer provides any incremental reliability in the zone relative to capacity in the Rest-of-Pool. On a constrained zone’s primary auction demand curve, we refer to this value as the “truncation” quantity. For an import-constrained zone, the truncation quantity represents the lowest zonal quantity at which capacity in the zone will receive the same primary auction clearing price as capacity in the Rest-of-Pool. For the upcoming FCA 12, to be conducted in February, 2018, the Southeast New England zone’s truncation quantity occurs at 10,786 MW.8

In export-constrained zones, capacity’s reliability value again decreases as more capacity is added to the zone. However, because this reliability value is in relation to capacity in the Rest-of-Pool, it will be negative at higher capacity quantities when the zone may not be able to export all of its excess energy outside the zone to serve system load. At lower zonal capacity quantities, when all of its excess energy can be exported out of the zone, capacity in the zone will provide the same reliability value as in the Rest-of-Pool. The truncation quantity for an export-constrained capacity zone therefore represents the largest zonal quantity at which capacity in the zone will receive the same primary auction clearing price as

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capacity in the Rest-of-Pool. For the upcoming FCA 12, to be conducted in February, 2018, this zone’s truncation quantity occurs at 8,380 MW.9

Q: How is the truncation quantity in an import-constrained zone used in the substitution auction clearing?

A: The substitution auction clearing prevents capacity from being transferred into or out of an import-constrained zone if this capacity does not provide the same reliability value as that in the Rest-of-Pool. Practically, this places two constraints on how supply offers and demand bids are cleared in the import-constrained zone. First, if the zone’s cleared capacity quantity after the primary auction falls below its truncation quantity, capacity cannot be transferred into or out of the zone in the substitution auction. Instead, supply in this zone must be cleared against demand in the same zone, on a MW-for-MW basis.

Second, if the import-constrained zone’s cleared capacity quantity after the primary auction is greater than or equal to its truncation quantity, capacity can be transferred into or out of the zone so long as the total quantity of capacity with CSOs in that zone after the completion of the substitution auction is at least as large as the truncation quantity. The total quantity of capacity with CSOs in the zone after the substitution auction is complete is the sum of the capacity sold in

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the zone in the primary auction and the net change in capacity sold as a result of
the substitution auction.

Q: Please explain the rationale behind the first constraint governing import-
constrained zones, which prevents capacity from being transferred into or
out of the import-constrained zone if the total CSO MW awarded to
resources in that zone in the primary auction falls below the truncation
quantity.

A: In such instances, capacity’s reliability value after the primary auction is greater
in the import-constrained zone than in the Rest-of-Pool. As a result, any transfer
of capacity into or out of the zone on a MW-for-MW basis would impact system
reliability.

Furthermore, holding all else equal, such transfers would impact future primary
auction prices in the import-constrained zone. For example, while allowing
capacity to transfer into the zone in the substitution auction would increase system
reliability, it would also depress zonal prices in future primary auctions when the
zone’s capacity quantity was larger and it therefore reflected a lower zonal
congestion price. This outcome is inconsistent with design objective 1.
Q: Please explain the rationale behind the second constraint governing import-constrained zones, which limits capacity transfers into or out of an import-constrained zone when the total CSO MW awarded to resources in that zone in the primary auction is greater than or equal to the truncation quantity.

A: In this scenario, capacity’s reliability value after the primary auction is equal in the import-constrained zone and the Rest-of-Pool. The second substitution auction constraint ensures that capacity is only transferred between the import-constrained zone and the Rest-of-Pool to the extent that this condition continues to hold.

Practically, this does not limit the transfer of capacity into the import-constrained zone, but it may limit capacity transfers from the import-constrained zone to the Rest-of-Pool. More specifically, capacity can only be transferred out of the import-constrained zone to the level at which the zone’s remaining total CSO MW is equal to its truncation quantity. Once the truncation-quantity based constraint binds in the substitution auction, no additional capacity will be transferred out of the import-constrained zone in the substitution auction clearing process.

Q: How is the truncation quantity in an export-constrained zone used in the substitution auction clearing process?

A: The role is similar to that applied in an import-constrained zone, as discussed earlier.
Specifically, the substitution auction clearing process prevents capacity from being transferred into or out of an export-constrained zone if this capacity does not provide the same reliability value as that in the Rest-of-Pool. Practically, this places two constraints on how supply offers and demand bids are cleared in the export-constrained zone in the substitution auction. First, if the zone’s cleared capacity quantity after the primary auction exceeds its truncation quantity, capacity cannot be transferred into or out of the zone in the substitution auction. Instead, supply in this zone must be cleared against demand in the same zone, on a MW-for-MW basis.

Second, if the export-constrained zone’s cleared capacity quantity after the primary auction is less than or equal to its truncation quantity, capacity can be transferred into or out of the zone so long as the total quantity of capacity with CSOs in that zone after the completion of the substitution auction is not greater than the truncation quantity. The total quantity of capacity with CSOs in the zone after the substitution auction is complete is the sum of the capacity sold in the zone in the primary auction and the net change in capacity sold as a result of the substitution auction.
Q: Please explain the rationale behind the first constraint governing export-constrained zones, which prevents capacity from being transferred into or out of the export-constrained zone if its cleared quantity coming out of the primary auction exceeds the truncation quantity.

A: In such instances, capacity’s reliability value after the primary auction is lower in the export-constrained zone than in the Rest-of-Pool. As a result, any transfer of capacity into or out of the zone on a MW-for-MW basis would impact system reliability.

Furthermore, holding all else equal, such transfers would impact future primary auction prices in the export-constrained zone. For example, while allowing capacity to be transferred out of the zone in the substitution auction would increase system reliability, it would also increase zonal prices in future primary auctions such that the zone’s capacity quantity was lower and it therefore reflects a less negative zonal congestion price. This outcome is inconsistent with design objective 1.

Q: Please explain the rationale behind the second constraint governing export-constrained zones, which limits capacity transfers into or out of an export-constrained zone when the zonal capacity coming out of the primary auction is less than or equal to the truncation quantity.

A: In this scenario, capacity’s reliability value after the primary auction is equal in the export-constrained zone and the Rest-of-Pool. This second substitution
auction constraint ensures that capacity is only transferred between the export-constrained zone and the Rest-of-Pool to the extent that this condition continues to hold.

Practically, this does not limit the transfer of capacity out of the export-constrained zone, but it may limit capacity transfers from the Rest-of-Pool to the export-constrained zone. More specifically, capacity can only be transferred into the export-constrained zone to the level at which the zone’s total CSO MW capacity is equal to its truncation quantity. Once the truncation-quantity based constraint binds in the substitution auction, no additional capacity will be transferred into the export-constrained zone in the substitution auction clearing process.

Q: Do these interzonal constraints raise the possibility that the substitution auction clearing price differs across capacity zones?
A: Yes. When one of these truncation-quantity based constraints binds in the substitution auction, therefore limiting the transfer of capacity between a constrained zone and Rest-of-Pool, the substitution auction will generally specify different prices in the constrained zone and the Rest-of-Pool.
Q: Can you provide a simple example showing how the substitution auction clears when an import-constrained zone clears less capacity in the primary auction than its truncation quantity?

A: Yes. Under such conditions, the substitution auction will only clear sponsored policy resources in the import-constrained zone if they are offset by cleared demand bids in the same zone. Figure VIII.10 illustrates how the substitution auction would determine CSO awards in both the Rest-of-Pool and the import-constrained zone. Observe that, in such scenarios, the substitution auction is essentially two separate auctions – one conducted for bids and offers in the Rest-of-Pool, and a second conducted for bids and offers in the import-constrained zone. In this case, within each zone, the cleared quantities of supply and demand must be equal.

**Figure VIII.10**

![Diagram showing Substitution Auction Clearing in Rest-of-Pool and Import Zone](image-url)
In this example, the price in each zone is set by the supply offer that is partially cleared. Thus, in this example, the substitution auction clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool is equal to $P_R^*$, and the clearing price in the import-constrained zone is $P_I^*$.

Q: In the above example, the substitution auction clearing price is greater in the import-constrained zone than in the Rest-of-Pool. Is it also possible that the substitution auction clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool could be greater than that in the import-constrained zone?

A: Yes. If sponsored policy resource $S_I^2$ in the import-constrained zone lowered its offer price below that of resource $S_R^2$ in the Rest-of-Pool, the substitution auction would issue the same capacity awards as in Figure VIII.10 above, but would specify a price in the Rest-of-Pool that is greater than that in the import-constrained zone. Such a scenario is shown in Figure VIII.11 (note that, in this figure, the demand bid $D_I^2$ is also shown at a lower bid price for purposes of later discussion).
Q: Why would the substitution auction specify a clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool that exceeds that in the import-constrained zone when capacity in the import-constrained zone always provides equal or greater reliability value?

A: As noted above, when the import-constrained zone clears less capacity than its truncation quantity in the primary auction, the substitution auction treats capacity in the import-constrained zone as distinct from that in the Rest-of-Pool. Observe that in Figure VIII.11 above, all cleared supply offers and demand bids in each zone are happy to buy/sell capacity at their zone’s substitution auction clearing price.

Imagine that there was an additional pricing rule that prevented the substitution auction clearing price in an import-constrained zone from falling below that in the
Rest-of-Pool. This would require that $P_i^*$ is increased to the $P_R^*$ value specified in Figure VIII.11, or vice versa. Assume that $P_i^*$ is increased. Observe that at this higher price, demand bid $D_i^2$ in the import-constrained zone would no longer be willing to buy out of its capacity at this price of $P_R^*$. Similarly, if the substitution auction clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool was instead decreased to $P_i^*$, cleared supply offer $S_R^2$ in the Rest-of-Pool would no longer be willing to sell its capacity.

This additional pricing rule would produce prices that are inconsistent with the clearing outcomes because it fails to recognize that in cases where the import-constrained zone clears less than its truncation quantity in the primary auction, the substitution auction clearing rules do not treat capacity as substitutable between zones. In other words, the clearing process does not see capacity in the import-constrained zone as (slightly) more valuable than that in the Rest-of-Pool. Rather, it simply sees them as two independent, non-substitutable products. To be consistent with these clearing rules, the pricing rules must treat capacity in each zone as a distinct and therefore cannot include provisions that enforce a pricing relationship between zones in this situation.
Q: Can you provide a simple example showing how the substitution auction awards capacity and sets prices when an import-constrained zone clears more capacity in the primary auction than its truncation quantity, but then some capacity is transferred out of the import-constrained zone in the substitution auction until it reaches its truncation quantity?

A: Yes. Imagine that in the primary auction, the quantity of capacity cleared in the import-constrained zone exceeds the truncation quantity by a positive amount, which I'll denote here with the symbol \( E^* \) (where \( E^* \) is a specific amount of capacity, in MW). Figure VIII.12 illustrates a substitution auction clearing outcome in such a scenario.

**Figure VIII.12**
Observe that the total quantity of accepted supply offers in the substitution
auction (here equal to the sum of $Q_{R}^{S}$ and $Q_{I}^{S}$) is equal to total cleared demand
(here equal to the sum of $Q_{R}^{D}$ and $Q_{I}^{D}$), as is always required by the substitution
auction clearing process. Furthermore, in the import-constrained zone, the total
quantity of accepted demand exceeds cleared supply offers by the amount denoted
by $E^*$, as illustrated in Figure VIII.12.

The substitution auction’s constraint that prevents total capacity supply in the
import-constrained zone from falling below its truncation quantity binds in this
scenario, and it impacts how the substitution auction clears. The more expensive
sponsored policy resource in the import-constrained zone, $S_{I}^{2}$, sells enough
capacity (rather than the less expensive sponsored policy resource in the Rest-of-
Pool, $S_{R}^{2}$) to ensure that total capacity in the import-constrained zone does not fall
below this truncation quantity.

In this example, the substitution auction clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool will be
lower than that in the import-constrained zone. More specifically, the price in the
Rest-of-Pool zone is set based on supplier $S_{R}^{2}$’s offer at $P_{R}^{*}$, and the price in the
import-constrained zone is set to the higher value of supplier $S_{I}^{2}$’s offer at $P_{I}^{*}$.
Q: Is it possible to modify supply offers and demand bids in Figure VIII.12 above to produce a substitution auction clearing price in the Rest-of-Pool that is greater than that in the import-constrained zone?

A: No. If the marginal supplier in the import-constrained zone offered at a lower price than the marginal supplier in the Rest-of-Pool, the substitution auction would clear more capacity supply in the import-constrained zone and the truncation quantity constraint would no longer bind. In such circumstances, the import-constrained zone is not modeled as separate from Rest-of-Pool, and each zone will specify the same substitution auction clearing price.

Q: Do the substitution auction clearing and pricing outcomes follow a similar logic in export-constrained zones?

A: Yes, though the relationships are naturally reversed to reflect that an export-constrained zone’s truncation quantity represents the largest capacity level at which the zone’s capacity provides the same reliability value as that in the Rest-of-Pool. As with import-constrained zones, there are three potential substitution auction clearing outcomes to consider.

First, if the export-constrained zone’s cleared capacity in the primary auction exceeds its truncation quantity, the total CSOs in the export-constrained zone cannot change as a result of the substitution auction. This effectively requires that a separate substitution auction is conducted for the export-constrained zone. In such instances, the substitution auction clearing price in the export-constrained
zone will differ from that in the Rest-of-Pool, and because the substitution auction
determines capacity awards in each zone independently, the export-constrained
zone’s clearing price may be greater than or less than that in the Rest-of-Pool.

Second, if the export-constrained zone clears less capacity in the substitution
auction than its truncation quantity in the primary auction, and the substitution
auction subsequently transfers capacity into the export-constrained zone such that
the total capacity with CSOs in the export-constrained zone is equal to its
truncation quantity, the substitution auction clearing price in the export-constrained zone will be less than the price in the Rest-of-Pool.

And third, if the export-constrained zone clears less capacity than its truncation
quantity in the primary auction, and the total capacity with CSOs in the export-constrained zone remains below this truncation quantity after the substitution
auction, then neither substitution auction zonal constraint binds and the clearing
price in the export-constrained zone is equal to that in the Rest-of-Pool.

Q: Did the ISO consider other rules to govern inter-zonal clearing and pricing in
the substitution auction?

A: Yes. The ISO also considered rules that would allow capacity to be transferred
between zones in the substitution auction even when it did not provide equivalent
reliability value. Such transfers would not be MW-for-MW, and would instead
account for capacity’s MRI value in each zone to ensure that total system
reliability was unchanged. Under such a framework, substitution auction clearing prices would be proportional to capacity’s reliability value between zones.

Q: Why did the ISO decide not to pursue such an alternative clearing and pricing rule?

A: While such a design would also hold total system reliability constant, it could result in the substitution auction significantly increasing or decreasing how much capacity is supplied in the system overall and in constrained capacity zones. This could move capacity prices away from their competitively-based levels in future FCAs. That is, under such a design, accommodating the entry of sponsored policy resources into (say) an export-constrained zone could result in depressed primary auction clearing prices in that export-constrained zone in future FCAs. Because it may increase total system supply, that same substitution auction outcome could also result, in extreme situations, in depressed primary auction clearing prices in the Rest-of-Pool zone and all import-constrained zones as well. Similar outcomes could also occur in the reverse direction in some zones, where future primary auction clearing prices are increased above competitively-based clearing prices as a result of the entry of sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction.

These distortions are precluded under the inter-zonal transfer constraints adopted in the instant filing, which provide superior performance within each capacity
zone with respect to design objective 1 – preserving competitively-based capacity pricing, and design objective 3 – avoiding cost shifts.

Q: Does the treatment of inter-zonal transfers in the substitution auction clearing process represent another design detail where the ISO’s filed rules emphasize competitively-based capacity prices (design objective 1), even though it may potentially slow the pace at which the substitution auction accommodates sponsored policy resources into the FCM (design objective 2)?

A: Yes. By limiting capacity transfers between zones in a manner that performs better with respect to preserving competitively-based primary auction prices in future auctions (and avoiding cost shifts), the framework is more limiting in how fast it may accommodate sponsored policy resources into the FCM over time.

E. **Additional bidding and clearing rules**

Q: Are sponsored policy resources that elect to participate in the substitution auction as supply required to offer all of their qualified capacity?

A: Yes. This treatment is consistent with the requirement that new resources must offer their total qualified capacity in the primary auction. However, the participant can use the substitution auction offer price to indicate at what price it is willing to acquire a CSO for the resource, just as it can in the primary auction.
Q: Are existing resources that elect to participate in the substitution auction as demand required to offer all of their qualified capacity?

A: No. Much like with a retirement bid in the primary auction, an existing resource may have a demand bid for all or only a portion of its qualified capacity. This bid flexibility allows the market participant the option to permanently retire only a portion of its resource if, for instance, half of its capability can be retired while leaving the remainder of the facility in operation.

Q: Are any adjustments made to the submitted prices for supply offers or demand bids that are submitted at a price above the primary auction clearing price?

A: Yes. These offers and bids are submitted to the ISO several months before the FCA is conducted and the primary auction clearing price is known, and as a result it is possible for a bid or offer price to exceed the primary auction clearing price. Supply offers priced above the primary auction clearing price are not included in the substitution auction. This ensures pricing outcomes consistent with the rules specified above in part C of this section, as it prevents scenarios where a supply offer priced above the primary auction clearing price could be partially cleared, thereby producing a substitution auction clearing price that exceeds the primary auction clearing price.
In addition, participants that submitted a supply offer in excess of the primary auction clearing price are not adversely impacted by the removal of their supply offer because, in this situation, the substitution auction clearing price will be below the minimum price they would be willing to accept (that is, it would not allow them to earn the minimum revenue they require to provide the capacity, as reflected by their supply offer price submission).

Demand bids that are submitted at a price that exceeds the primary auction clearing price have their price adjusted down to this primary auction clearing price. This adjustment prevents demand bids from being priced to indicate that the resource would willingly buy out of its obligation and permanently exit while incurring a severance charge. Furthermore, because a demand bid represents the maximum price an existing resource is willing to pay to buy out of its obligation, this decrease in the demand bid price cannot produce instances where the resource buys out of an obligation at a price above its actual willingness to pay.

Q: Does the substitution auction include provisions to address scenarios where a resource submits a supply offer (demand bid) for the substitution auction, but then sells (does not sell, respectively) a portion of its qualified capacity in the primary auction?

A: Yes. The proposal includes provisions to address these possible situations.
Q: Can you provide a simple numerical example illustrating how the proposal addresses the case where a sponsored policy resource successfully sells a portion of its capacity in the primary auction?

A: Yes. Imagine that a sponsored policy resource has 100 MW of qualified capacity, and it submits a single supply offer into the substitution auction to sell this capacity at $1/kW-month. However, based on its participation in the primary auction, the resource successfully sells 40 MW of its qualified capacity in this first stage. (The primary auction sale of 40 MW may have been offered at higher price in the primary auction, but that primary auction offer price is not germane to this example.)

Because it has already sold this 40 MW of capacity in the primary auction, these MW cannot be sold a second time in the substitution auction. As a result, the auction rules would reduce the sponsored policy resource’s original 100 MW supply offer submitted for the substitution auction by this 40 MW. The sponsored policy resource’s offer in the substitution auction would therefore be only for the remaining 60 MW of its unobligated, qualified new capacity.
Q: How does the proposal adjust the sponsored policy resource’s supply offer in the example above if it instead submitted its substitution auction supply offer in two blocks – the first 75 MW of qualified capacity at $1/kW-month, and the remaining 25 MW at $2/kW-month?

A: As explained above, the auction rules would reduce the 100 MW supply offer by 40 MW to account for the capacity that was sold in the primary auction. In cases where there are multiple demand segments, the lowest-priced segments are treated as having been previously sold in the primary auction, so the substitution auction rules would first remove the lowest-price segments.

Therefore, in this modified example, the substitution auction rules would adjust the sponsored policy resource’s supply offer to include its remaining 35 MW offered at $1/kW-month (reduced from the 75 MW quantity submitted) and to include its remaining 25 MW at $2/kW-month.

The rationale behind this approach to modifying supply offers is that the resource selling capacity in the auction would first supply its lowest-cost capacity to the market. Therefore, the substitution auction rules will adjust the supply offer assuming the resource sold its lowest-cost capacity in the first auction stage.
Q: Can you provide a simple numerical example illustrating how the proposal addresses a case where an existing resource that submits a demand bid in the substitution auction does not sell its entire qualified capacity in the primary auction?

A: Yes. Imagine that an existing resource has 100 MW of qualified capacity, and submits a demand bid for this full quantity in the substitution auction at $5/kW-month. However, it only acquires a CSO for 90 MW of capacity in the primary auction (it removes the other 10 MW of its qualified capacity from the FCA with a de-list bid). In such a case, its demand bid in the substitution auction would be reduced to 90 MW to reflect its CSO after the primary auction, and is therefore the maximum quantity of capacity that it can buy-out in the substitution auction.

Q: How would the proposal adjust the existing resource’s demand bid in the example above if it instead submitted its substitution auction demand bid in two blocks – the first 25 MW of qualified capacity at $5/kW-month, and the remaining 75 MW at a lower price of $4/kW-month?

A: In such a case, the auction rules would reduce the 100 MW demand bid by 10 MW to account for the capacity for which the existing resource did not acquire a CSO in the primary auction. With multiple priced-bid segments, the rules would first remove the highest-priced segments from the demand bid. Therefore, in this modified example the auction rules would adjust the existing resource’s demand bid to include the remaining 15 MW offered at $5/kW-month and the entire
lower-priced 75 MW bid at $4/kW-month. The 10 MW are removed from the 

highest-price bid segment first.

The rationale for this approach to modifying demand bids is that a participant 

seeking to withdraw capacity from the market would rationally prefer to first 

remove its capacity that is the most costly for it to provide. Therefore, the auction 

rules adjust the demand bid assuming the resource withdrew (de-listed) its most-

costly capacity in the first stage of the auction.

Q: How does the ISO’s proposal adjust demand bids entered into the 

substitution auction in cases where an existing resource has a demand bid for 

only a portion of its qualified capacity?

A: The adjustment of demand bids to account for a bid that is only a portion of the 

resource’s qualified capacity follows the same approach to adjusting the bid 

segment prices explained above. In addition, for a partial demand bid the 

substitution auction rules treat the demand bid quantity submitted by the 

participant as representing the amount of CSO that, if acquired in the primary 

auction, should be entered into the substitution auction. That is, the resource’s 

demand bid quantity indicates the total amount of its CSO award the participant 

intends to enter into the substitution auction.
In sum, these rules provide a straightforward interpretation of the demand bid quantity that affords the participant the flexibility to control what amount of its obligated capacity will participate in the substitution auction.

Q: Can you provide a simple numerical example to illustrate how the substitution auction rules address a case where an existing resource submits a demand bid for less than its total qualified capacity?

A: Imagine that an existing resource has 100 MW of qualified capacity and submits a demand bid in the substitution auction for 30 MW. If the existing resource acquires a CSO for its entire 100 MW in the primary auction, then its 30 MW demand bid will be entered into the substitution auction. The 100 MW of CSO sold in the primary auction exceeds the 30 MW demand bid quantity, so the entire demand bid quantity is entered into the substitution auction.

For a second variation of this example, if this resource instead only acquires an 80 MW CSO in the primary auction (because it has a 20 MW de-list bid accepted in the primary auction), it still has a 30 MW demand bid submitted in the substitution auction. The 80 MW of CSO sold in the primary auction exceeds its 30 MW demand bid quantity so the entire demand bid quantity is entered into the substitution auction.

Under the auction rules, the 30 MW demand bid quantity would only be reduced prior to running the substitution auction if this resource acquired less than 30 MW
of CSO in the primary auction (by de-listing more than 70 MW of its qualified capacity). And in that case, the auction rules would adjust the demand bid price segments, if the bid had multiple price segments, by removing the highest-priced bid segments first in the same manner as discussed previously.

Q: Did the ISO evaluate numerous ways to treat substitution auction demand in cases where the resource did not sell its entire qualified capacity quantity in the primary auction?

A: Yes. While the ISO considered more restrictive rules that would require that demand bid segments submitted in the substitution auction align precisely with de-list bid MWs in the primary auction, it ultimately determined that such rules were unnecessary and further, they would restrict how participants could represent their valuation for capacity in each stage of the FCA.

Specifically, the ISO decided against pursuing these restrictive rules due to concerns that, under such rules, a resource could be prevented from expressing different valuations for its capacity in the separate auctions. That is, resources that earlier provided the demand bid quantity could be prevented from participating in the primary auction with static or dynamic de-list bids later in the auction process if, for instance, the participant learned new information about future capacity market conditions. While the proposed framework presents risks in cases where a resource acquires more or less capacity than anticipated in the
primary auction, it is the participant who is best equipped to manage this risk for
the resource.

IX. ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT FEATURES OF THE CASPR DESIGN

A. Actions to participate in the substitution auction and information
   published by the ISO

Q: Please describe how participants will elect to have their resources participate
   in the substitution auction.

A: The proposed rules add several new activities to the existing FCA qualification
   process. I detail below the new activities required for sponsored policy resources
   seeking to submit supply offers, and for existing resources seeking to submit
demand bids. The rule changes synchronize these new activities with existing,
related milestones of the FCM qualification process to avoid introducing
additional administrative deadlines for participants to track. Importantly,
participants must also satisfy all of the existing rules governing resource
qualification detailed in Market Rule 1, Section III.13.1 (i.e., in addition to these
new requirements for the substitution auction) to participate in the substitution
auction.

Q: What are the additional activities and associated deadlines for new resources
   that seek to participate as supply in the substitution auction?

A: A sponsored policy resource must complete three additional activities to
   participate in the substitution auction. First, the participant must make its initial
election for the resource to participate in the substitution auction within the New Capacity Show of Interest Window, which typically occurs in April (approximately ten months before the auction is run). This initial election is simply a binary choice of whether, if determined to be eligible, the resource will participate in the substitution auction. However, this initial election is binding, meaning new resources cannot “uncheck the box” after the New Capacity Show of Interest Window is closed and opt out of the substitution auction.

Second, the participant must submit the necessary documentation for the ISO to verify that its new resource meets the eligibility criteria specified in the definition of a Sponsored Policy Resource. This documentation is required with the New Capacity Qualification Package, which is typically due in June.

Finally, the participant will provide its substitution auction supply offer price-quantity segments by five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources (generally referred to as “composite offers”), which usually will occur in the month of October (approximately four months before the FCA is run). This provides the ISO with adequate time to perform any pre-auction reliability studies associated with potential resource retirements that may occur in the substitution auction (more about which in Section IX.B, below).
In cases where a resource does not submit price-quantity segments for all its capacity that elected and qualifies to participate as supply in the substitution auction, a default supply offer equal to the FCA starting price is submitted. This default price therefore reflects the highest priced offer that the resource can submit and serves to keep the election binding, while preventing scenarios where a sponsored policy resource is forced to sell its capacity at a very low price when it would prefer not to take on an obligation at such a price.

Q: What are the additional activities and associated deadlines for existing resources that will participate as demand in the substitution auction?

A: There are two additional activities for existing resources that seek to participate in the substitution auction. First, the participant must elect for the resource to participate in the substitution auction and specify its demand quantity by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, which typically falls in March. Existing resources that submit a priced retirement bid at the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline are automatically treated as having elected to participate in the substitution auction, as submitting a priced retirement bid for the primary auction indicates a willingness to permanently exit all markets at some (positive) price. Such resources should therefore also be willing to permanently exit all markets via the substitution auction at a price (where retaining their obligation in the primary auction and buying out in the substitution auction will earn them a severance payment).
Furthermore, as explained in the bid flexibility discussion in Section VII.A, existing resources that do not submit a priced retirement bid in the primary auction may also elect to participate as demand in the substitution auction. For such resources, this election is required by the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline, and obligates the resource to participate in the substitution auction.

The second activity for existing resources is to provide the participant’s preferred demand bid price-quantity segments for the existing resource no later than five Business Days after the deadline for submission of offers composed of separate resources, which usually will occur in October. Again, providing a bid price is not technically required, as a default bid price equal to the substitution auction bid/offer price floor (equal to the product of the FCA starting price and negative one) will be assigned if none is submitted. This default bid price again serves to make the resource’s earlier election binding while also preventing scenarios where the resource buys out of its obligation in the substitution auction and is forced to pay a high price to do so.

Q: Will the ISO publish information about supply and demand participation in the substitution auction?

A: Yes, the rules provide for three separate public information releases that are intended to provide, as early as possible, appropriate information to the market that may help inform participants’ expectations about supply and demand conditions in the immediate FCA, as well as conditions over the longer term.
The first two publications will occur during the qualification period before the auction: the report of submitted supply and demand elections after the show of interest period, and the report of qualified supply and demand quantities in the ISO’s information filing prior to the FCA. The third publication will occur after the substitution auction is concluded with the report of the auction outcomes in the ISO’s results filing after the FCA. Each of these three publications is discussed in more detail below.

Q: Why will the ISO publish information about supply and demand participation in the substitution auction twice before the Forward Capacity Auction?

A: As discussed throughout, the substitution auction requires voluntary participation of supply and demand to satisfy the design objectives outlined in Section IV. The CASPR design provides market information in a timely manner to help participants make decisions about participating in the immediate and future auctions. Potential resource developers and owners of existing resources that are contemplating a retirement may use this information when making entry and exit decisions and to help anticipate longer-term capacity and energy market conditions that would be impacted by near-term retirements and sponsored new entry. For example, a developer that observes a large amount of sponsored policy resources seeking to sell capacity may decide to pursue a project in a different location of the system if it expects this entry will adversely impact the value of its project, or to defer a new project until competitive new entry will be necessary.
On the other hand, owners of a potentially retiring resource may view a large amount of sponsored policy resources as favorable for pursuing retirement in the near-term.

Q: Describe the supply and demand elections information the ISO will publish after the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window.

A: With this report, the ISO will provide the total MW quantities of supply and demand that are seeking to participate in the substitution auction. For the immediate auction, this publication provides information about the aggregate supply and demand quantities that may be useful to market participants seeking to estimate, for instance, the likelihood their resource may clear; these quantities would be known at the time participants provide their offer and bid prices submitted later in the qualification process. In this report, the supply and demand quantities will be published by zone, using the set of Capacity Zones under evaluation for inclusion in the FCA. Publishing capacity quantities at the zonal level will provide participants information about where capacity could enter or exit the market within the substitution auction.

The supply and demand quantities that are reported based on initial elections will represent an upper-bound on potential participation in the substitution auction for several reasons. For instance, some new resources that are seeking to qualify for the FCA to sell their capacity in the substitution auction may not meet all the qualification requirements and therefore will not be eligible to enter the auction.
Some sponsored policy resources may sell their capacity, or some portion, in the primary auction and therefore not have capacity to sell in the substitution auction. Similarly, an existing resource may not retain a portion of its capacity in the primary auction and in such cases, it would not hold a CSO obligation to shed in the substitution auction.

The supply and demand elections report is provided for in a new provision of Market Rule 1 Section III.13.1.8.

Q: Why are demand elections reported after the New Capacity Show of Interested Submission Window rather than at the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline when they are received?

A: The publication of both supply and demand elections for substitution auction participation will occur simultaneously, after both elections are made, to provide equitable treatment to all market participants considering participation in the substitution auction. After the April close of the New Capacity Show of Interest Submission Window, all supply elections for the substitution auction will be completed. The demand elections will have been completed about a month earlier at the Existing Capacity Retirement Deadline.

If the demand elections were reported earlier, participants with sponsored policy resources may have an information advantage relative to existing resources when opting whether to participate in the substitution auction. Alternatively, the supply
elections could be required earlier; however, the show of interest is the established deadline when new capacity must begin participating in the qualification process. It is sensible to pair the substitution auction election with the show of interest when participants make initial qualification elections for their new resource.

Q: Describe the supply and demand qualification information the ISO will report in the filing prior to the Forward Capacity Auction.

A: The informational filing with the Commission that precedes the FCA will now include the aggregate quantities of supply and demand that have satisfied all the eligibility criteria specific to the substitution auction described above, and have been qualified to participate in the FCA under the broader rules of the auction qualification process. This means, for example, that a resource that elected to participate as supply in the substitution auction and was seeking to qualify 100 MW in the FCA, but that ultimately was determined to have only 70 MW of qualified capacity, would be counted as 100 MW of potential supply in the information publication after the show of interest (as the 70 MW determination has not been made at this time) and only 70 MW in the information filing.

In the pre-auction information filing, the ISO will provide aggregate supply and demand across all locations in the system. A system aggregate value for new qualified capacity is consistent with how all other new qualified capacity is reported in this filing.
The inclusion of additional information about supply and demand qualified to participate in the substitution auction within the informational filing is provided for in a new provision of Market Rule 1, Section III.13.8.1.

Q: Describe the information about the substitution auction the ISO will report in the filing of FCA results.

A: Similar to the information currently provided to the Commission in the FCA results filing, the outcomes of the substitution auction will be described, including such attributes as the auction clearing prices and the CSO quantities that are sold by sponsored policy resources and bought-out by existing resources in this second stage. In addition, the results filing will provide information about the total ‘side’ payments, if any, made to demand bids that are accepted (these payments are described in more detail in Section VIII.C of this testimony). Including the total side payments in this filing informs market participants of the additional charges to capacity load obligations that stem from the substitution auction.

The inclusion of additional information about the substitution auction within the FCA results filing is provided for in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.8.2.
B. **Including substitution auction demand bids in the reliability review process**

Q: **Describe how the reliability review process will apply to substitution auction demand bids.**

A: The existing reliability review process for the FCA that is used to determine whether a resource with a retirement bid is needed for local reliability requirements will be extended to include the review of resources that submit demand bids in the substitution auction. The ISO will determine, using the existing criteria for reliability reviews, whether a resource with a demand bid that would otherwise clear in the substitution auction must be retained to meet local reliability needs. These rules are explained in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.5.2.5.

Q: **If an existing resource’s capacity associated with a demand bid must be retained to meet local reliability needs, will the demand bid be entered into the substitution auction?**

A: No. If the ISO determines that a resource’s capacity that has been elected to participate in the substitution auction must be retained to meet local reliability needs, the entire demand bid is withheld from the substitution auction and the resource will therefore retain its CSO. This provision is explained in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.5.2.5(b).
Q: Is there a process for the participant to opt out of the reliability determination to have its demand bid participate in the substitution auction regardless of the ISO’s reliability determination?

A: No, a participant that prefers to retire its resource regardless of the ISO’s reliability determination may instead submit a Retirement De-List Bid or Permanent De-List Bid for the FCA and elect unconditional treatment to opt out of the reliability evaluation.

Q: Will the participant be notified of demand bids that are withheld from the auction due to reliability needs?

A: Yes, if a demand bid is withheld due to a reliability need and has a bid price that exceeds the substitution auction clearing price (indicating that it likely would have transferred its CSO in the substitution auction if entered), the market participant will be notified that the resource was retained for reliability after the FCA is complete. If a demand bid is withheld due to a reliability need and has a bid price that is less than the substitution auction clearing price (indicating that it likely would have retained its CSO in the substitution auction if entered), the market participant will not be notified that the resource was retained for reliability.

These rules are consistent with the information provided to participants regarding resources retained for reliability in the primary auction, where resources are only notified that they are retained for reliability in cases where they likely would have
not have economically retained their obligation. This treatment is outlined in Tariff Section III.13.2.5.2.5(c).

Q: Is there compensation for demand bids withheld from the substitution auction for reliability needs?

A: No, there is no compensation paid to resources that have a demand bid withheld from the substitution auction for reliability. The rationale is as follows: by clearing in the primary auction, where the auction clearing price is greater than or equal to its de-list bid price, the resource receives greater compensation for its cost of providing capacity.

It also would not be appropriate to provide “lost opportunity” compensation for the unrealized severance payment to a participant with a demand bids withheld for reliability because it is fully compensated for its costs through the primary auction clearing price, and doing so could undermine the participant’s incentive to bid truthfully. More specifically, if the proposal included such lost opportunity compensation and a resource expected that it would be needed for reliability, it could submit a high demand bid price anticipating that its bid would be rejected and there would be an opportunity cost payment based on its inflated demand bid price.
This scenario differs from a resource retained for reliability in the primary auction when the clearing price is lower than the resource’s de-list bid price. In such cases, the primary auction payment does not allow the resource to fully recover its costs of providing capacity, and it is therefore appropriate to make the resource whole to its costs (as determined by its bid price).

C. Application of certain forward capacity auction qualification rules to the substitution auction

Q: Describe the Forward Capacity Auction resource qualification rules that require conforming changes to accommodate their application to resources participating in the substitution auction.

A: FCA participation includes a limited number of qualification rules and treatments that require conforming changes to allow, to the extent possible, these treatments to be applied in a similar manner in the substitution auction. These rules primarily pertain to how a participant elects to have its resource participate in the FCA: self-supply designations, “repowering” projects, multi-year rate lock election, and composite transactions. The other impacted rules pertain to how certain resource types are qualified to participate in the FCA: specifically, seasonal differences in intermittent resource qualification amounts and resources that have second priority for a transmission interconnection. These FCA qualification rules, and how they are conformed to apply to the substitution auction, are discussed in the remainder of this section.
Q: Describe how a new resource designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource would participate in the substitution auction.

A: A self-supply designation means that the resource will not receive the auction clearing price for the CSO MW of self-supply and the participant will have a reduction in its capacity load obligation amount equal to the CSO MW of self-supply. For a sponsored policy resource that is designated for self-supply, this treatment is equivalent whether the resource is awarded its CSO in the primary auction or the substitution auction, or partially clears in both auctions. To receive self-supply treatment for a CSO awarded in the substitution auction, the participant must satisfy the election requirement and eligibility criteria specified in the current tariff rules. Also, just as today, any CSO awards in excess of the amount designated for self-supply will not receive this self-supply treatment.

Unlike the primary auction, the self-supply designation for a new resource does not dictate the supply offer price that must be entered into the substitution auction. A new resource designated for self-supply is automatically entered into the primary auction as provided for in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.3.2(c). For the substitution auction, the participant will specify its preferred supply offer price for the resource like other supply offers in the substitution auction, regardless of whether it is designated for self-supply.
Q: Can an existing resource that has been elected to participate as demand in the substitution auction be designated as a Self-Supplied FCA Resource?

A: No. The rules prohibit an existing resource that will have a demand bid in the substitution auction from being designated for self-supply. This treatment extends the self-supply rules in the primary auction, where existing resources designated as self-supply are entered as price takers to ensure they reduce the participant’s Capacity Load Obligation at any clearing price.

Furthermore, the two settlement structure that governs the substitution auction is inconsistent with allowing self-supply resources to buy out of their obligation in the second stage because such resources do not receive a first stage payment based on the primary auction clearing price.

Q: Can resources previously counted as capacity (e.g., a “repowering” project) participate in the substitution auction?

A: Under the current Forward Capacity Auction rules, a participant can submit an offer to replace an existing resource with a new resource at the same site if the primary auction clearing price is sufficiently high. These offers from resources previously counted as capacity are commonly referred to as “repowering bids,” although there multiple types of replacement projects, as specified in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.1.1.1.2. Under this construct, if the new resource sells capacity in the primary auction, the existing resource is retired because it is replaced by this new resource. If the new resource does not sell capacity in the primary auction,
the existing resource will participate in the primary auction as if there is no new
resource, and may retain a CSO obligation or may submit de-list bids to withdraw
its capacity.

The rules pertaining to repowering projects require one conforming change to
align with the broader substitution auction participation requirements: the new
resource associated with a repowering bid cannot elect to participate in the
substitution auction. If the new resource has already acquired its CSO in the
primary auction, then it would not participate in the substitution auction.

However, if the new resource did not acquire a CSO in the primary auction
because of the MOPR provisions, then it is conceivable that a participant
attempting to develop a sponsored policy resource as part of a repowering would
seek to replace its existing resource through a repowering bid in the substitution
auction. That said, attempting to facilitate the replacement determination (clear
the new resource and retire the existing resource) within the substitution auction
would add significant complexity in the clearing process, and poses technical
challenges to the clearing algorithm (it may not be able to effectively find the
social surplus maximizing clearing outcome while maintaining system reliability).

Based on this observation, and the fact that this feature would not be expected to
be used frequently, the rules do not allow repowering bids in the substitution
auction.
The existing resource in a repowering project may participate in the substitution auction if it retains a CSO in the primary auction – that is, if the new resource is not awarded a CSO and the existing resource retains its capacity in the primary auction. Effectively, when the existing resource in a repowering bid sells CSO MW in the primary auction, it can participate as demand in the substitution auction like any other existing resource.

**Q:** Can two new resources with overlapping interconnection impacts (“conditionally qualified resources”) participate in the substitution auction?

**A:** Yes, one of the two resources may participate in the substitution auction based on the eligibility and priority criteria described Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.8.2.1. Conditional qualification refers to a scenario where two new resources that have overlapping transmission interconnection impacts compete in the FCA to receive a CSO and the interconnection rights. Under current rules, the resource with a higher interconnection queue position (the primary resource) has first priority to the interconnection, but if the primary resource is withdrawn from the FCA, the secondary resource is then able to submit offers to acquire a CSO in the FCA. Only one of these two resources is able to receive a CSO in the FCA.

The ISO’s proposal extends this treatment to the substitution auction to ensure that only one of these two resources is able to sell capacity. If either resource acquired a CSO in the primary auction, then that resource could also participate as supply in the substitution auction if it has additional capacity that is eligible to
offer in this second stage and is not obligated after the primary auction. The other
resource, which did not sell capacity in the primary auction, is not eligible to sell
capacity in the substitution auction as the interconnection space is already taken
up.

If neither resource acquired a CSO in the primary auction and both submitted
supply offers in the substitution auction, then the primary resource will participate
in the substitution auction. If neither resource acquired a CSO in the primary
auction and only one resource submits a supply offer in the substitution auction,
then this offer is submitted into the second stage. In the case where neither
resource has cleared in the primary auction and the resource that was entered into
the substitution auction sells capacity in the second stage, that resource will have
the rights to the transmission interconnection in the same manner as if the CSO
had been acquired in the primary auction.

Q: Describe how a resource that enters into a Composite FCM Transaction
would participate in the substitution auction.

A: A Composite FCM Transaction allows resources to join their excess summer and
winter qualified capacity amounts (where seasonal capability can differ for the
same resource based on its operating capabilities or ambient conditions) into a
single, annual offer in the FCA in order to provide more capacity than each
resource could deliver if it participated individually.
The resources in a Composite FCM Transaction may participate in the substitution auction with a supply offer provided the summer resource in the composite offer meets all of the eligibility criteria for participating as supply in the substitution auction. If the composite offer did not receive a CSO for its total qualified capacity in the primary auction, the remaining amount of the composite offer’s qualified capacity will be entered into the substitution auction. The participant with the summer resource will be responsible for qualifying its resource to participate in the substitution auction and for providing the supply offer price. All capacity sold via a composite offer in the substitution auction will be paid the substitution auction clearing price.

Q: Explain why an existing resource that has been elected to participate as demand in the substitution auction is prohibited from joining a Composite FCM Transaction.

A: As I discussed above, the summer resource in the Composite FCM Transaction controls the composite offer’s participation in the primary auction. It is possible that the participant with the summer resource could enter a de-list bid to remove the capacity of the summer resource from the capacity market. A cleared de-list bid for the composite offer would also reduce the total CSO awarded to the winter resources from the composite offer for the given commitment period, though these winter resources could participate again in future commitment periods.
Extending this framework to allow composite offers to participate as demand in the substitution auction would jeopardize the proposal’s ability to meet its design objectives. If composite offers were allowed to participate as demand and capacity that corresponded with winter resources was not required to permanently exit, the proposal would not successfully coordinate the entry of new sponsored policy resources with the exit of an equivalent amount of existing resources. Instead, this winter capacity could return again in future years and future capacity prices may be depressed as a result (that is, the FCM would “walk down the demand curve,” as explained in Section VI of the testimony). This would reduce capacity prices below their competitively-based level, thereby failing to meet design objective 1.

If this winter capacity was required to permanently exit like the summer resource, it could produce inefficient and unexpected outcomes where the maximum price at which the winter resource was willing to pay to buy out of its obligation and permanently retire was not fully reflected in the substitution auction demand bid (as this bid price would be determined by the summer resource). This would fail to meet the fourth design objective, which strives to produce transparent and efficient outcomes. Based on these observations, the rules do not allow composite offers to participate as demand in the substitution auction.
Q: Can an existing resource that is receiving a primary auction rate-locked price for multiple capacity commitment periods participate as demand in the substitution auction?

A: Yes, resources that are currently receiving a primary auction “rate-lock” (i.e., a multi-year clearing price lock that was elected when the resource first cleared as new) are eligible to participate as demand in the substitution auction provided they meet all of the other eligibility criteria for existing resources. Like any other existing resource that has its demand bid cleared, a resource receiving the rate lock will buy out of its CSO at the substitution auction clearing price and must permanently retire from all markets.

However, the resource that is receiving a primary auction rate-lock will receive a severance payment based on the difference between its rate-lock Capacity Clearing Price (based on the primary auction clearing price from the auction in which it initially cleared) and the substitution auction price specified in the current auction. It is therefore technically possible that such resources would receive a negative severance payment if the rate-lock price is below the substitution auction clearing price, though these resources could prevent this outcome by submitting a demand bid at or below their locked in price.

Furthermore, the severance payment is only paid for the duration of the commitment period associated with the FCA for which the resource has its demand bid cleared. If the rate-lock period would have extended to additional
commitment periods, the severance payment is not extended to those future periods.

**Q:** Can a sponsored policy resource that sells capacity in the substitution auction select a multi-year rate lock for this capacity?

**A:** No. New capacity sold in the substitution auction is not eligible to receive a rate lock on this capacity, for two reasons. First, this treatment is consistent with the existing provisions governing new resources that receive the Renewable Technology Resource exemption, and cannot elect the FCA rate lock because they receive out-of-market revenues. Second, this election would rarely if ever be used in the substitution auction as, by choosing this option, a sponsored policy resource would effectively be choosing to receive the (low) substitution auction clearing price from the coincident auction in future years rather than the (likely higher) price associated with those primary auctions.

**Q:** Describe the treatment of Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources in the substitution auction.

**A:** Intermittent Power Resources and Intermittent Settlement Only Resources ("intermittent resources") may have different qualified capacity amounts for the summer and winter periods depending on the capabilities of the resource. Generally, these resources participate in the primary auction at their qualified summer capability, but their winter capacity may be adjusted up or down to reflect their qualified winter capability (or in the case where they clear a portion
of their summer qualified capacity, the winter adjustment ensures that they sell an
equivalent proportion of their winter qualified capacity).

The substitution auction rules extend this framework governing intermittent
resources. New intermittent resources that qualify to participate as supply in the
substitution auction may offer up to their summer qualified capacity. In cases
where they clear, their obligation in the winter months is adjusted up or down
based on how their winter qualified capacity compares to their summer qualified
capacity value. This capacity is paid the substitution auction clearing price.

A simple example may help to illustrate this treatment. Imagine that an
intermittent resource has 10 MW of summer qualified capacity and 20 MW of
winter qualified capacity and it clears 8 MW (out of its 10 MW of summer
qualified capacity) in the substitution auction. Under the CASPR design, the
resource will have an obligation for 8 MW in each summer month and 16 MW in
each winter month.

Existing intermittent resources that meet the criteria to participate as demand may
submit a demand bid for their summer qualified capacity. When a demand bid is
accepted, the resource buys out of different MW quantities in the summer and
winter months based on its qualified capacity, and its severance payment in each
month is equal to the product of this seasonal quantity and the difference between
the primary auction and substitution auction clearing prices.
This outcome is consistent with the broader FCM design, as the resource is paid more in months where it is giving up the ability to supply more capacity. For example, imagine an intermittent has 15 MW of qualified capacity in the summer and 30 MW in the winter and has a demand bid for its 15 MW of summer capacity accepted in the substitution auction. The resource would receive a severance payment and be forced to retire its 15 MW of qualified capacity in the summer months. Its severance payment would be twice as large in the winter months as it would be based on retiring 30 MW of capacity; this is appropriate because the resource is giving up the ability to sell more capacity in these months.

**D. Interaction between the substitution auction and the Forward Capacity Market retirement reforms**

**Q:** Briefly describe the pertinent rules of the Forward Capacity Market retirement reforms previously accepted by the Commission that are relevant to the CASPR design.

**A:** The Forward Capacity Market rules that are referred to as the “Retirement Reforms” are the set of rule changes that were approved by the Commission in Docket No. ER16-551-000. Under these rules, the primary auction may use a Proxy De-List Bid submitted at a Commission-approved competitive price rather than at the higher price submitted by the market participant. These proxy de-list bids are intended to help prevent the exercise of supply-side market power in cases where a participant may benefit by retiring an existing resource through increased capacity payments (because the primary auction clears at a higher price) to its remaining portfolio.
In some cases where a Proxy De-List Bid retains a CSO in the primary auction, the physical resource elects to retire. For such situations, the Retirement Reforms established a process to re-run the primary auction-clearing to replace the capacity associated with Proxy De-List Bids (that does not actually exist as the resource for which the Proxy De-List Bid was submitted has retired) with other resource offers and bids that did not receive a CSO in the first run of the primary auction.

This second run therefore aims to replace the capacity from the retiring unit that would have retained its CSO if it had offered at the FERC-approved price, but instead chose to retire, with higher cost resources that did not clear in the first run of the primary auction.

Q: **How does the substitution auction process interact with these retirement reform rules?**

A: There are two primary ways that the process of clearing the substitution auction may interact with the use of Proxy De-List Bids in the primary auction. First, the substitution auction will be conducted after the primary auction-clearing process, but before a re-run of the primary auction would occur to replace any Proxy De-List Bids that received a CSO in the primary auction. This sequence of the auctions is deliberate: it first represents the CSO held by a Proxy De-List Bid as a demand bid in the substitution auction in order to maximize the probability that it could be cleared against (i.e., replaced by) a supply offer from a sponsored policy resource.
The second interaction pertains to technical mechanics to prepare the inputs for a re-run of the primary auction to be consistent with the outcome of the substitution auction. If a demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid was not fully cleared in the substitution auction, a re-run of the primary auction-clearing process would be conducted to replace the CSOs associated with the Proxy De-List Bids that were not replaced in the substitution auction (i.e., demand MW that did not clear) with other resources.

Q: Why is a Proxy De-List Bid that receives a CSO in the primary auction included as a demand bid in the substitution auction?

A: The purpose is to allow the substitution auction to have the first opportunity to replace the CSO associated with a Proxy De-List Bid with the capacity offered from a sponsored policy resource. The auctions that are now encompassed by the FCA process (i.e., the primary auction, substitution auction, and re-run of the primary auction) must be conducted and finalized sequentially. Both the substitution auction and the re-run of the primary auction are auctions to replace retiring resources. Putting the substitution auction ahead of the re-run of the primary auction in the auction sequence potentially allows lower-priced sponsored policy resources the opportunity to replace the CSO associated with Proxy De-List Bids before the region conducts a second run of the primary auction to procure higher-priced capacity that was offered above the Capacity Clearing Price in the primary auction.
If the CSO associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is transferred to a sponsored policy resource in the substitution auction, the market will have replaced the retiring capacity with a new resource to serve the region’s adequacy requirements and it won’t be necessary to perform a second run of the primary auction. However, if the CSO associated with a Proxy De-List Bid is not fully transferred in the substitution auction, then the re-run of the primary auction will occur just as it would under the existing rules but with technical modifications to the auction inputs, as discussed below.

Q: Do the demand bids on behalf of Proxy De-List Bids have unique attributes for purposes of clearing the substitution auction?

A: Yes, these demand bids differ from those submitted by existing resources that actually sell tangible capacity in the primary auction because demand bids on behalf of Proxy De-List Bids are (1) rationable (may clear partially) and (2) will have priority to clear before other demand bids in the substitution auction. Both of these attributes will increase the likelihood that the demand bid on behalf of a Proxy De-List Bid will be cleared in the substitution auction.

The rationable demand bid may be partially cleared to replace at least a portion of the proxy capacity when there is not sufficient supply available to offset the entire demand bid in the substitution auction. Furthermore, giving these bids priority to clear will prevent the substitution auction clearing process from partially clearing a rationable demand bid on behalf of a Proxy De-List Bid in order to fully clear a
non-rationable demand bid. In each instance, the rules have been designed to
maximize the quantity of CSO MW that are transferred “from” the Proxy De-List
Bids to lower-priced sponsored policy resources in the substitution auction. This
helps to minimize the extent to which a re-run of the primary auction is needed to
replace the CSOs “held” by Proxy De-List Bids with higher-priced resources that
did not sell their capacity in the first run of the primary auction.

Q: Could a marginal demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid establish
a substitution auction clearing price? If so, how?

A: Generally, because the demand bids of existing resources that elect to participate
in the substitution auction are non-rationable, the substitution auction clearing
prices will be set by the highest-priced cleared supply offer because supply offers
are rationable. One exception is the rationable demand bids on behalf of Proxy
De-List Bids. Because these demand bids are rationable in the substitution
auction, a partially cleared proxy demand bid would determine the substitution
auction clearing price.

In the substitution auction, a demand bid on behalf of a Proxy De-List Bid has no
participant-determined bid price per se. The demand bid on behalf of a Proxy De-
List Bid, conceptually speaking, represents a fixed quantity of tangible capacity
the substitution auction seeks to acquire from new sponsored supply. As
discussed in Section VIII.C, the primary auction Capacity Clearing Price
establishes a cap on demand bid and supply offer prices that will be entered into
the substitution auction to prevent negative severance payments to existing resources and payments to sponsored policy resources that exceed those to competitive resources. To ensure that this property holds, if a demand bid on behalf of a Proxy De-List Bid is marginal in the substitution auction, it will set the substitution auction’s clearing price at the primary auction’s Capacity Clearing Price.

Q: Is there a severance payment for a cleared demand bid associated with a Proxy De-List Bid?

A: No, there is not a severance payment in the market settlement since the actual resource does not have a CSO after the primary auction, and therefore does not buy out of its position in the substitution auction. The associated resource will be retired from the markets in the primary auction, and its interconnection rights are relinquished pursuant to the rules governing Retirement De-List Bids and Permanent De-List Bids. For these reasons, it is not necessary or appropriate to provide compensation through the substitution auction for the foregone capacity revenues and interconnection rights.

Q: Will there be an imbalance in the substitution auction settlement between total credits and charges when demand bids on behalf of Proxy De-List Bids are cleared in the auction?

A: Yes, the substitution auction would increase the system’s total cleared capacity supply because proxy capacity is replaced by actual capacity. This will result in a
net increase in charges to capacity load obligations. However, recall that the
existing retirement reforms rules require a re-run of the primary auction to replace
the CSO held by a Proxy De-List Bid with capacity from higher-cost offers and
bids that did not receive a CSO in the primary auction. As discussed above,
conducting the substitution auction before re-running the primary auction may
allow the region to acquire lower-priced sponsored policy resources in the
substitution auction rather than higher-priced resources in a re-run of the primary
auction. This methodology for first seeking to replace proxy capacity in the
substitution auction will therefore tend to produce a lower incremental cost to
load obligation than the FCM current rules.

Q: Describe how the auction inputs are prepared for a re-run of the primary
auction-clearing in the existing retirement reforms rules.

A: Before performing a re-run of the primary auction, the existing retirement reform
rules provide for adjustments to the resource supply offers and de-list bids that
will participate in the second run of the FCA. The rules for these bid and offer
adjustments are specified in Market Rule 1 Section III.13.2.5.2.1. Essentially, the
ISO takes the offers and bids collected during the descending clock auction
pursuant to Market Rule 1 Sections III.13.2.3.1 and III.13.2.3.2 and separates the
offers and bids into two groups: (a) those that received a CSO in the primary
auction; and (b) those that did not receive a CSO in the primary auction. The bids
and offers in group (a) are represented in the second run of the primary auction as
price takers to ensure they retain their CSOs. The bids and offers in group (b) that
Q: Describe the technical modifications to the preparation of these auction inputs under the CASPR design.

A: If it is necessary to re-run the primary auction clearing because the CSOs held by Proxy De-List Bids were not fully replaced in the substitution auction, then the offer and bid inputs will have to be modified to reflect the results of the substitution auction. Importantly, it is only the supply offers and de-list bids collected in the descending clock auction for the primary auction that will participate in a re-run of the primary auction. That is, supply offers and demand bids for the substitution auction do not participate in the re-run of the primary auction.

However, two additional adjustments are required to account for capacity transferred in the substitution auction. First, sponsored policy resources that sold capacity in the substitution auction retain their obligations in the second run in a manner consistent with capacity sold in the primary auction. Second, existing resources that sold capacity in the primary auction and shed their obligations in the substitution auction do not participate in the second run as their accepted bids
require that they permanently exit the market in exchange for severance
payments.

Q: In summary, is it accurate to say that these technical modifications to the
auction inputs serve to enable the substitution auction to be conducted prior
to, and potentially obviate the need for, a second run of the primary auction
– and thereby may acquire replacement capacity at a lower cost than would
occur under the current FCM rules?

A: Yes, that is an accurate summary.

Q: Does this conclude your testimony?

A: Yes.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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