

# ISO New England Update

Consumer Liaison Group Meeting

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#### **TODAY'S UPDATES**

- Resources for the Consumer Liaison Group
- Results of Forward Capacity Auction #15 (FCA #15)
- Resources Update
- New England State's Vision
- Transition to the Future Grid
- FERC Order 2222

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## **CONSUMER LIAISON GROUP RESOURCES**

## 2020 Report Is Posted and 2021 Meeting Dates Are Set

- The 2020 Report of the Consumer
   Liaison Group includes:
  - Statement by the CLG
     Coordinating Committee on future goals and initiatives
  - Summary of CLG activities in 2020
  - Update on ISO New England activities and initiatives
  - Information on wholesale electricity costs and retail electricity rates in New England



Future CLG meetings are set for June 17, September 9 and December 1, 2021

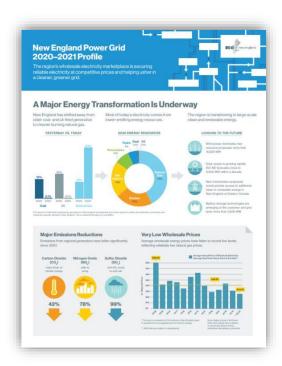
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#### **ISO New England Is Rolling Out Several Publications**



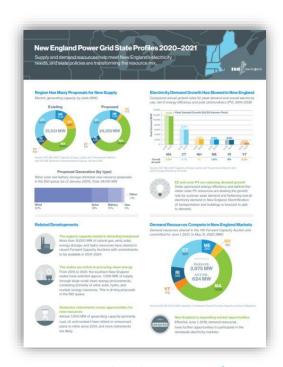
#### **2021 Regional Electricity Outlook**

Provides a summary of ISO
New England's work to lay the
foundation for clean energy,
studies for the future grid, and
other ISO New England
efforts to improve services and
performance



#### **New England Power Grid Profile**

Provides key grid and market stats on how New England's wholesale electricity markets are securing reliable electricity at competitive prices and helping usher in a cleaner, greener grid

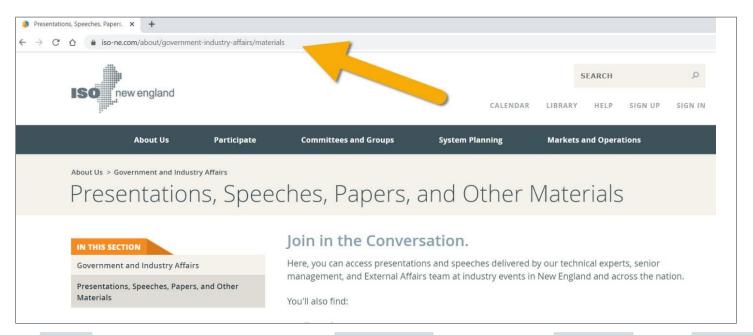


#### **New England State Profiles**

Provides state-specific facts and figures relating to supply and demand resources tied into the New England electric grid and state policies transforming the resource mix in the region

#### **Additional Resources**

- Meeting summaries are available on the <u>CLG page</u> on the ISO's website
  - Names and affiliations of CLG Coordinating Committee members are also available on the CLG page
- Presentations, Speeches, Papers, and Other Materials are available on the External Affairs page



# **FORWARD CAPACITY AUCTION #15 (FCA #15)**

June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025 Capacity Commitment Period

# ISO New England Administered the Latest Capacity Auction in February 2021

- Forward Capacity Auction #15 (FCA #15) was held on February 8 to procure the capacity resources needed to meet demand for electricity, plus reserve requirements, during the June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 capacity commitment period
- The auction concluded with sufficient resources to meet the installed capacity target of 33,270 MW
- Clearing prices in the auction ranged from \$2.48 to \$3.98 per kilowatt-month (kW-mo.), up from to \$2/kW-mo. region-wide last year

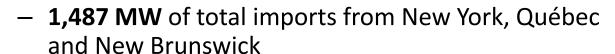


# The Auction Attracted and Retained a Variety of Resources to Ensure Resource Adequacy in 2024-2025

 The auction concluded with commitments from 34,621 MW of capacity to be available during the 2024-2025 capacity commitment period



- 29,243 MW of generation, including:
  - **950 MW** of new generating resources
  - 600 MW of battery resources
- 3,891 MW of energy-efficiency and demand-reduction measures, including 170 MW of new demand resources



 FCA #15 was the first auction held without the Mystic Generating Station Units 8 & 9, which will retire June 1, 2024





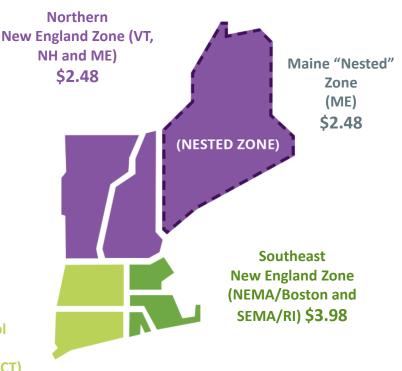
## **Auction Prices Varied Across the Region**

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#### Capacity prices by zone:

- Northern New England: \$2.48
  - Export-Constrained
- Maine "Nested": \$2.48
  - Export-Constrained
- Southeast New England Zone: \$3.98
  - Import-Constrained
- Rest-of-Pool Zone: \$2.61
  - Unconstrained

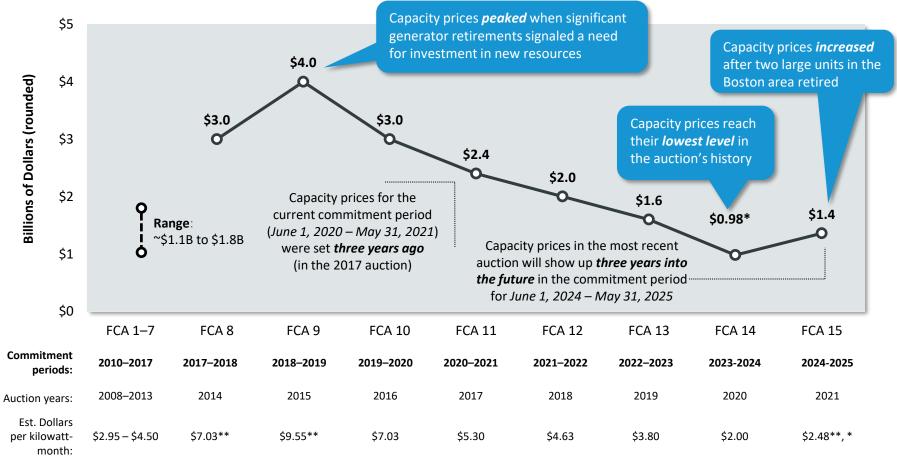
Rest-of-Pool Zone (W/CMA and CT) \$2.61



# **Capacity Market Costs Reflect Changing Supply Outlook**

As a "forward" market, consumers can anticipate future changes in capacity costs

#### **Total Capacity Market Costs**

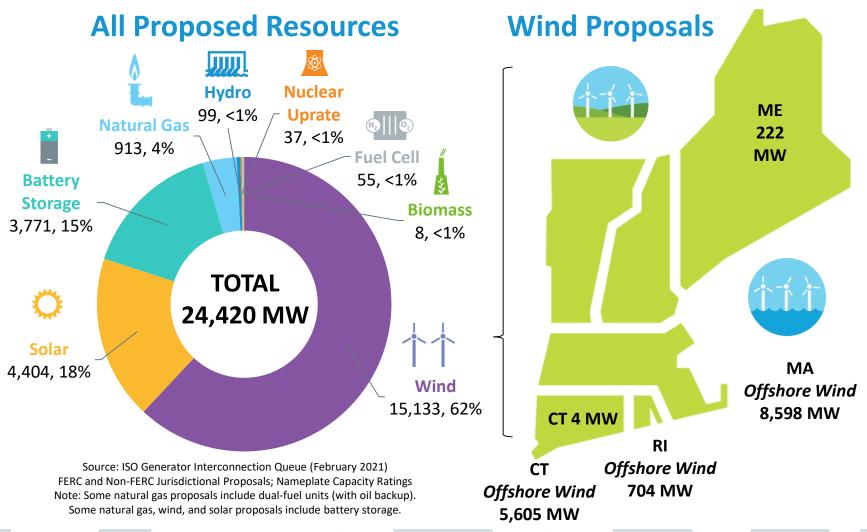


<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary estimate \*\* Prices may be higher for some capacity zones.

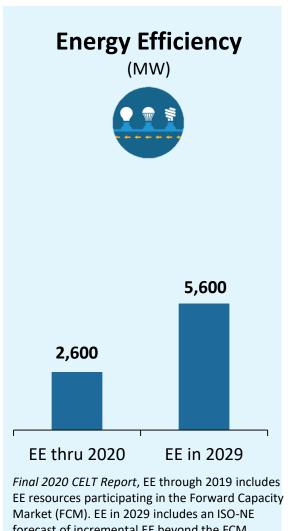
# **RESOURCE DEVELOPMENTS**

Generator Interconnection Study Queue and ISO Forecasts

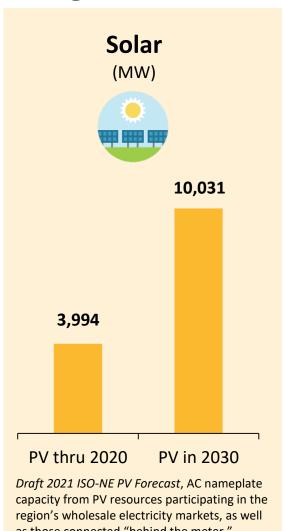
# Wind Power Comprises Two Thirds of New Resource Proposals in the ISO Interconnection Queue



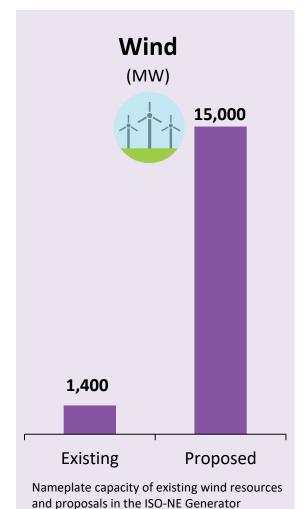
# **Energy-Efficiency and Renewable Resources Are Trending Up in New England**



forecast of incremental EE beyond the FCM.



as those connected "behind the meter."



Interconnection Queue (February 2021)



Lines represent types of ETUs private developers have proposed in recent years

Source: ISO Interconnection Queue (February 2021)

# Developers Are Proposing Large-Scale Transmission Projects to Deliver Clean Energy to Load Centers

- Developers are proposing 10
   elective transmission upgrades (ETUs) to
   help deliver about 3,400 MW of clean
   energy to New England load centers
- Wind projects make up roughly 62% of new resource proposals in the ISO Queue
  - Most are offshore wind proposals in southern New England, but some are onshore wind proposals in northern New England and would require transmission to deliver the energy to load centers

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# **NEW ENGLAND STATES' VISION STATEMENT**

# The ISO Is Fully Engaged with the New England States in Discussions about their Vision

 The ISO was invited to help set the stage for discussions in each of the three major focus areas of the states' Vision statement in the state-led technical sessions in early 2021



- Overview of Wholesale Electricity Markets
  - Presentation by Eric Johnson at the January 13 technical session
- Transmission Planning in New England
  - Presentation by Bob Ethier at the February 2 technical session
- ISO-NE's Governance and Engagement with the States
  - Presentation by Anne George at the February 25 technical session

# **ISO New England's Vision**

The ISO's Vision for the future represents our long-term intent and guides the formulation of our Strategic Goals



#### **Vision Statement:**

To harness the power of competition and advanced technologies to reliably plan and operate the grid as the region transitions to clean energy

# TRANSITION TO THE FUTURE GRID

#### **Transition to the Future Grid Efforts Continue**

- Stakeholder meetings launched in 2020 started on two tracks:
  - Future Grid Reliability Study: Stakeholder-led assessment of the future state of New England's power system
  - Pathways to the Future Grid: Regional identification, exploration, and evaluation of potential market frameworks that may help support the evolution of its power grid
- In January, NEPOOL received a report exploring various pathways the region could take, focusing on two questions
  - Whether a particular pathway would support or help to advance the clean energy policies of States
  - Whether pathways garner efficiency of regional markets
  - The <u>report</u> is available on the ISO's website.
- The ISO is also undertaking additional studies



# The ISO Is Supporting Several Future Grid Studies in 2021

Study Name	Description
Future Grid Reliability Study (FGRS) Phase I	Stakeholder-defined scenarios examine how the power system could operate in 2040 under current energy and environmental policies
2050 Transmission Study	Transmission study (in support of the New England States' vision statement) to help states determine how to expand the system to incorporate wind, hydro, and distributed energy resources
Pathways Evaluations	Examines potential market frameworks that may help evolve the power grid to a future that reflects states' policies
Future Grid Reliability Study (FGRS) Phase II	Examines if revenues from existing markets are sufficient to attract and retain resources necessary to operate the system reliably under stakeholder-defined scenarios

Source: https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2021/02/npc-20210218-chadalavada-presentation-r.pdf

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# How Does This Relate to Resource Adequacy and the Minimum Offer Price Rule?

- A key question for the Pathways studies is how the Minimum Offer Price Rule (MOPR) will be treated in the modeling assumptions
  - The FERC has recently made clear that addressing the MOPR is one of its top priorities
  - If these studies don't resolve the issues around MOPR, additional analysis may be necessary to develop a solution by Q1 2022
- Discussion with New England stakeholders is ongoing



# FERC ORDER NO. 2222

## The ISO Continues FERC Order 2222 Compliance Efforts

Conversations continue with utilities, regulators, and other stakeholders

- The ISO released its
   <u>High-Level Market Design</u>
   <u>Approach to Compliance</u>
   in January
- The ISO continues to receive and reflect on feedback from stakeholders, which may result in design modifications
- Discussions regarding Order 2222 are expected to continue through the spring
- Issued in September, 2020, the order requires ISOs/RTOs to change the way Distributed Energy Resource Aggregations (DERAs) participate in wholesale markets
- The compliance filing is due in July

## I look forward to seeing you again in-person (someday)!



Until that's possible, we'll see you virtually on June 17, September 9 and December 1

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION...



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# Questions



