

December 15, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Informational Filing of Contract between ISO New England Inc. and Potomac Economics, Ltd.; Docket No. ER23-_____-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

ISO New England Inc. (the "ISO") hereby submits, on an informational basis, a contract with its External Market Monitor, Potomac Economics, Ltd. ("Potomac"), for the years 2023 through 2025. As discussed below, the attached contract (the "Contract") largely replicates the current contract.

Provisions of the ISO's governing documents¹ require the ISO to enter into a contract with an External Market Monitor and file such contract with the Commission.² In the event of a termination or modification of the scope of work, neither of which is relevant here, the contract is subject to prior Commission approval.³

As discussed in more detail below, the Contract effectively extends the term of the existing contract on file with the Commission,⁴ and makes a number of ministerial changes to

³ *Id.* The ISO "shall file its contract with the External Market Monitor with the Commission" and "[a]ny proposed termination of the contract with the External Market Monitor or modification of, or other limitation on, the External Market Monitor's scope of work shall be subject to prior Commission approval." As explained in this transmittal letter, pursuant to these requirements, the ISO is filing the updated External Market Monitor contract but is not modifying or limiting the External Monitor's scope of work.

⁴ *ISO New England Inc.,* Informational Filing of Contract between ISO New England Inc. and Potomac Economics, Ltd, Docket No. ER19-619-000 (Dec. 17, 2019).

¹ Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this filing have the meanings ascribed thereto in the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (the "Tariff").

² Section III.A.1.2 of the Tariff and Section 9.4.5 of the Participants Agreement among ISO New England Inc. as the Regional Transmission Organization for New England and the New England Power Pool and the entities that are from time to time parties hereto constituting the Individual Participants.

update the contract rates. A clean copy of the Contract is located at Attachment 1 hereto. A blacklined version of the Contract, showing changes from the last filed contract, is provided as Attachment 2 hereto.

I. DESCRIPTION OF THE FILING PARTY; COMMUNICATIONS

The ISO is the private, non-profit entity that serves as the regional transmission organization for New England. The ISO operates the New England bulk power system and administers New England's organized wholesale electricity market pursuant to the Tariff and the Transmission Operating Agreement with the New England Participating Transmission Owners. In its capacity as a Regional Transmission Organization, the ISO has the responsibility to protect the short-term reliability of the New England Control Area and to operate the system according to reliability standards established by the Northeast Power Coordinating Council and the North American Electric Reliability Council.

All correspondence and communications in this proceeding should be addressed to the undersigned for the ISO as follows:

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II. BACKGROUND

The ISO originally contracted with Potomac to be the ISO's "market advisor" in June, 2001.⁵ In preparation for the ISO's transition to a Regional Transmission Organization, the ISO and Potomac amended their agreement and, in accordance with Section III.A.1.2 of the Tariff and Section 9.4.5 of the Participants Agreement, filed the agreement with the Commission.⁶

In 2008, the ISO filed another revised agreement with Potomac after the ISO's Board of Directors again selected Potomac as the ISO's External Market Monitor, this time following a Request for Proposals that was issued in anticipation of the expiration of the then-current contract.⁷ At that time, the parties revised the agreement to comply with the Commission's Order Nos. 719 and 719-A, enhanced the conflict of interest provisions in the contract, and

⁵ See ISO New England Inc., Supplemental Comments of ISO New England Inc. Regarding Standardized Markets and Transmission Service, Docket No. ER05-374-000, p. 11 (June 26, 2001).

⁶ *ISO New England Inc.,* Revisions to Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff and to the Transmission Operating Agreement, Part IX of IX, Part 1 of 1, Docket No. ER05-374-000 (Dec. 22, 2004).

⁷ *ISO New England Inc.,* Informational Filing of Contract between ISO New England Inc. and Potomac Economics, Ltd, Docket No. ER09-192-000 (Oct. 31, 2008).

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added provisions regarding physical and cyber security. That agreement was for a three-year term and was subsequently extended for one-year periods until December 31, 2016.

In 2016, the ISO filed with the Commission an agreement between the ISO and Potomac covering the period of January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2019.⁸ That agreement was filed after another round of Request for Proposals that was issued in anticipation of the expiration of the then-current contract. At that time, the parties agreed to model the agreement on the previously filed agreement, but with some significant changes including increased cyber security provisions; modifications to the scope of work regarding reporting requirements and interactions with the Markets Committee of the ISO Board of Directors; modifications for clarity and consistency among the Tariff, the Participants Agreement, and the contract; and updated fee and payment provisions.

In 2019, the parties filed the now-current agreement with the Commission. That agreement again had a term of three years. It also included changes to: add specificity regarding audits of Potomac; prohibit solicitation of employees; require that Potomac develop a succession plan; and enhance Potomac's ability to provide independent monitoring services related to State-approved monitoring plans as well as monitoring plans approved by the Commission.

III. TERMS OF CONTRACT

The ISO's current contract with Potomac expires on December 31, 2022. In anticipation of the contract's expiration, ISO's management and the Markets Committee of the Board of Directors (to which Potomac reports) reviewed the terms of the existing contract and Potomac's performance of the contract. After review and discussion, the Markets Committee decided that it would be prudent to extend the existing contract for an additional three-year term. The Markets Committee and the Board ultimately approved the Contract presented to the Commission.

Following negotiations, the parties updated the monthly fixed fee in Section 3.1(a)(i) and the contract and reimbursement rates in Exhibits B and C. In Section 3.1(iv) and 6.8(e), the parties describe new disaster recovery services, pursuant to which Potomac will ensure redundancy of its systems, and the charges for such services. Finally, in Section 6.8(b)-(c), the parties have refined the responsibility for audit costs. These refinements specify that Potomac will continue to bear its own costs of responding to inquiries about its security processes, but that ISO-NE will compensate Potomac for its time in responding to a more robust security audit requested by the ISO or the ISO in conjunction with other Potomac clients.

All other terms of the Contract, including the scope of work to be provided by Potomac, remain unchanged.

⁸ *ISO New England Inc.*, Informational Filing of Contract between ISO New England Inc. and Potomac Economics, Ltd, Docket No. ER17-290-000 (2016); accepted, *ISO New England Inc.*, Docket No. ER17-290-000 (Dec. 2, 2016) (delegated letter order).

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IV. CONCLUSION

The ISO requests that the Commission accept this informational filing. Electronic copies of this filing are being served on the governors and electric utility regulatory agencies for the six New England states that comprise the New England Control Area and all NEPOOL Participants Committee members. In accordance with the Commission's rules and practice, there is no need for these entities to be included on the Commission's official service list in this proceeding unless such entities become intervenors in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Maria A. Gulluni</u> Maria A. Gulluni Vice President and General Counsel ISO New England Inc. One Sullivan Road Holyoke, MA 01040-2841 (413) 540-4473 <u>MGulluni@iso-ne.com</u>

ATTACHMENT 1

EMM SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS EMM SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made as of this 1st day of January, 2023, by and between POTOMAC ECONOMICS, LTD. (the "External Market Monitor" or "EMM"), and ISO New England Inc., a non-stock corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware ("ISO-NE").

WHEREAS, ISO-NE has determined it requires the services of the EMM, as outlined in this Agreement, to support the operations of ISO-NE; and

WHEREAS, in connection therewith, the EMM is willing to provide services as more fully set forth in this Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged), the EMM and ISO-NE covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS

In this Agreement, unless there is something in the subject matter or context inconsistent therewith, the following terms shall have the respective meanings indicated below:

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Commission" or "FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"Confidential Information" means the following except to the extent excluded under Section 6.4 below: (a) all information about ISO-NE, its vendors or any Market Participant, whether furnished before or after the date hereof, whether oral, written or recorded/electronic, and regardless of the manner in which it is furnished; (b) all reports, summaries, compilations, analyses, notes or other information which are based on, contain or reflect any Confidential Information; (c) any and all Confidential Information, as that term is defined in the ISO New England Information Policy, which is located at http://www.iso-ne.com/staticassets/documents/regulatory/tariff/attach_d/attachment_d.pdf; and (d) any information which, if disclosed by a transmission function employee of a utility regulated by the FERC to a market function employee of the same utility system, other than by public posting, would violate the FERC's open access same time information regulations.

"EMM" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"EMM Affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the EMM.

"EMM Software" means software used by the EMM to perform its monitoring function or produce the analyses contained in the products and deliverables provided to ISO-NE.

"ISO-NE" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Majeure Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Market Participant" has the meaning set forth in the Tariff.

"Markets Committee" means the Markets Committee of ISO-NE's Board of Directors.

"Other Services" means ad hoc reports, analyses or filings produced by the EMM, or reports, analyses, affidavits, filings, or testimony requested by and approved by the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel.

"Reimbursement Rates" means the negotiated rates of reimbursement of the EMM set forth on <u>Exhibit C</u> attached hereto.

"Scope of Work" means the Scope of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A.

"Services" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Tariff" means ISO-NE's Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

"Work Product" means any report, analysis, data compilation or database, methodology, processes, protocol, plan, item of documentation or other deliverable developed by the EMM in performing the Services set forth in this Agreement. Work Product shall not include the EMM Software.

ARTICLE 2 - SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF EMM

Section 2.1. Scope and Delivery of Services. The Scope of Work describes the primary services and Work Product to be provided by the EMM pursuant to this Agreement, which, for purposes of clarity, the parties agree shall include all of the EMM's efforts related to the mitigation of bids in the Forward Capacity Market (the "Services"). The EMM may also provide Other Services as described in this Agreement. The parties agree that the EMM shall perform the Services specified in the Scope of Work and Other Services in a timely fashion and in accordance with all relevant delivery dates, and shall contemporaneously provide the Markets Committee with copies of any filings, memos, letters or reports prepared under this Agreement that are submitted to third parties, including the Commission.

Section 2.2. Personnel of EMM. (a) The EMM agrees that it will provide the employees specified on Exhibit B for the performance of the Services, and that such employees are properly trained and qualified and possess appropriate technical skills and experience for the Services they are to perform. All Services, work and deliverables to be performed hereunder by the EMM shall be performed by qualified personnel in a professional manner, and in accordance with the highest industry standards. The EMM shall, and shall cause its personnel to, work in good faith with ISO-NE's employees and contractors.

(b) The EMM shall not hire any subcontractor to perform the Services as a whole or in part and shall not reassign, or redefine the roles of, any of the employees listed in <u>Exhibit B</u>, in either case without ISO-NE's prior written consent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the EMM shall be responsible for the compliance of any subcontractor with each term of this Agreement.

(c) The EMM shall, and shall cause its personnel to, perform the Services in accordance with all of ISO-NE's policies, as set forth from time to time. Specifically, the personnel of the EMM specified in Exhibit B shall comply with ISO-NE's Code of Conduct, which is located at <u>http://www.iso-ne.com/static-</u>

<u>assets/documents/aboutiso/corp_gov/bylaws/code_of_conduct.pdf</u>, and shall annually execute the attached compliance certificate.

(d) The EMM hereby agrees that ISO-NE has the right to perform background checks on the EMM and its employees at any time during the term of this Agreement. The EMM has informed its employees accordingly, and has secured their consent to the performance of such background checks.

(e) The EMM shall be solely responsible for the payment of its employees' entire compensation and benefits, including employment taxes and workers' compensation.

ARTICLE 3 – PAYMENTS, RECORDS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

Section 3.1. Payments to EMM. (a) <u>Invoices</u>. The EMM shall submit invoices in arrears to ISO-NE (Attn.: Accounts Payable) on a monthly basis. Invoices shall include the following charges:

(i) In compensation for all Services, except Other Services, a monthly fixed fee of \$92,000, as adjusted annually to account for inflation; and

(ii) Authorized, reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses, including travel and necessary subscriptions to Platts fuel indices, that were incurred by the EMM in the performance of the Services, in accordance with the Reimbursement Rates;

(iii) Hourly charges at the rates listed on <u>Exhibit B</u>, as adjusted annually to account for inflation, for Other Services, provided that: (A) Other Services have been requested by the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, and the EMM has provided a written estimation of cost and effort that has been approved by the Chair of the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable; or (B) Other Services are ad hoc reports or filings by the EMM that it deems warranted per the requirements of the Tariff and Participants Agreement, for which the EMM has provided a written estimation of cost and effort to the Chair of the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable as a written estimation of cost and effort to the Chair of the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable, before beginning the work. As set out in Sections 9.4.3 and 10.4.2 of the Participants Agreement, such reports may include ad hoc reports prepared on the EMM's own initiative or pursuant to requests by ISO-NE, state public utility commissions or one or more Governance Participants; and

(iv) For the disaster recovery services described in Section 6.8(e), an initial charge for set up and testing of \$12,000, and monthly costs thereafter of \$3,000; provided that the EMM shall be required to seek efficiencies where possible, including by sharing costs among clients, and shall reflect such efficiencies and cost-sharing in these charges.

(b) <u>Taxes</u>. The fees to be paid and expenses to be reimbursed by ISO-NE for the Services performed hereunder shall be inclusive of any applicable sales and use taxes.

(c) <u>Payment</u>. ISO-NE will review each invoice and shall pay any undisputed amount thereunder within thirty (30) days of the date of submission of such invoice to ISO-NE. With respect to any invoice submitted by the EMM, ISO-NE may, without triggering a default under this Agreement, withhold from any payment otherwise due: (i) any amount incorrectly invoiced, provided that ISO-NE timely informs the EMM of the amounts alleged to be incorrectly invoiced and the basis for any such assertion for review, resolution and rebilling purposes; or (ii) any amount in dispute.

(d) <u>Disclosure</u>. The parties acknowledge that, as required by the Participants Agreement between ISO-NE and the New England Power Pool, the EMM budget will be separately identified, included and considered in the overall ISO budget process set forth in Section 12 of the Participants Agreement.

Section 3.2. Records; Final Audit. The EMM shall keep and maintain detailed books of account in support of all chargeable hours and reimbursable expenses under this Agreement. Such books shall include without limitation a record of the hours worked by each of the EMM's personnel whose time is billed to ISO-NE hereunder, which record shall include a summary of the hours worked by each individual. The books of account and record of hours worked shall be made available for inspection by ISO-NE.

ARTICLE 4 – REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Section 4.1. Representations and Warranties of ISO-NE. ISO-NE represents and warrants to the EMM that ISO-NE has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and that execution of this Agreement will not violate any other agreement with a third party. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of ISO-NE has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this Agreement.

Section 4.2. Representations of the EMM. The EMM represents, warrants and covenants to ISO-NE that:

(a) The EMM has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform the Services hereunder. Execution of this Agreement will not violate any other agreement with a third party. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of the EMM has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this Agreement.

(b) All Work Product developed or to be developed by the EMM to perform the Services does not, or when developed, will not, infringe upon or violate any issued U.S. patent or

the copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights of any third party, and is free of all liens and encumbrances.

(c) All software programs, hardware, processes, or databases licensed by the EMM from third parties do not infringe upon or violate any issued U.S. patent or the copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights of any third party.

(d) There are no pending or threatened suits, legal proceedings, claims or governmental investigations against or with respect to the EMM relating to Work Product or any licensed software programs, hardware, processes or databases intended to be used by the EMM to perform the Services.

(e) The EMM has not received any notice of any claim of infringement or violation of any third party's copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights relating to any Work Product or licensed software, hardware, processes or databases intended to be used by the EMM to perform the Services.

(f) The EMM has all rights necessary, pursuant to written agreements with its employees, consultants, contractors, agents and representatives, as applicable, to secure for ISO-NE the rights to be secured by the EMM for ISO-NE under this Agreement.

(g) The EMM acknowledges that the foregoing representations and warranties shall be continuing, and agrees to promptly inform ISO-NE in writing should any of the foregoing become untrue.

ARTICLE 5 – OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT

Section 5.1. Rights to Work Product, Documentation, etc. (a) The EMM acknowledges and agrees that all Work Product shall belong to and be the sole property of ISO-NE or any other entity or entities designated by it, as a "work made for hire" by the EMM pursuant to this Agreement; provided that control of the Work Product shall comply with the regulatory requirements of the Commission. The EMM shall ensure that its employees and subcontractors who are involved in the provision of the Services assign in writing to ISO-NE all copyrights, rights of trade secret and other intellectual property rights which they may have or claim in and to any such Work Product. To the extent any Work Product, however, is deemed not to be a "work made for hire" by the EMM for ISO-NE, or if ownership of all right, title and interest in any intellectual property rights therein shall not be deemed to vest exclusively in ISO-NE, the EMM hereby assigns to ISO-NE its entire right, title and interest in and to all such Work Product contains works or portions of works owned in whole or in part by any third party, the EMM hereby grants to ISO-NE an irrevocable, nonexclusive, transferable, worldwide, royalty-free license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, distribute copies of, and prepare derivative works based upon, such works.

(b) ISO-NE or any other entity or entities designated by it shall be the sole owner of all domestic and foreign rights pertaining to the Work Product. The EMM further agrees as to all Work Product to assist ISO-NE in every way (at ISO-NE's expense) to obtain and from time to time enforce patents, copyrights or equivalent intellectual property rights on Work Product in

any and all countries. To that end, by way of illustration but not limitation, the EMM will testify in any suit or other proceeding involving any Work Product, execute all documents which ISO-NE reasonably determines to be necessary or convenient for use in applying for and obtaining patents or copyrights thereon and enforcing the same, and execute all necessary assignments thereof to ISO-NE or persons designated by it. In the event ISO-NE is unable, after reasonable effort, to secure signatures of the EMM on any document or documents needed to apply for or prosecute any patent, copyright, or other right or protection, for any reason whatsoever, the EMM hereby irrevocably designates and appoints ISO-NE and its duly authorized officers and agents as its agent and attorney-in-fact to act for and on its behalf to execute and file any such application or applications and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the prosecution and issuance of patents, copyrights, or similar protections thereon with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the EMM. The EMM will, by appropriate written agreement with each of its employees who work on the ISO-NE account, ensure similar cooperation from each such employee.

(c) The EMM acknowledges that ISO-NE from time to time may have agreements with other persons or with the United States Government, or agencies thereof, that impose obligations or restrictions on ISO-NE regarding inventions made during the course of work under such agreements or regarding the confidential nature of such work. The EMM agrees to be bound by all such obligations and restrictions that are known to the EMM and to take all action necessary to discharge the obligations of ISO-NE under such agreements.

Section 5.2. Ownership of EMM Software. Title and ownership to the EMM Software and other proprietary information and processes and any works that do not constitute Work Product shall remain and belong to and be vested in the EMM. The EMM reserves all rights in its software and its proprietary information not expressly granted to ISO-NE in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 6 – COVENANTS

Section 6.1. No Use of ISO-NE Work Product. The EMM covenants that it will not use (or permit the use of) any Work Product for the EMM's own use or for the use of any person other than ISO-NE, nor will the EMM use or make available to any person other than ISO-NE any part of the Work Product, except as provided in this Agreement or as agreed to in writing by ISO-NE.

Section 6.2. Export Regulations. The EMM acknowledges its obligations to control access to technical data under the U.S. Export Laws and Regulations and agrees to adhere to such laws and regulations with regard to any technical data received under this Agreement.

Section 6.3. Adherence to Laws. (a) The EMM agrees that in carrying out its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement, it will make itself familiar with and knowledgeable about any rules or regulations of state or governmental regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over ISO-NE, including FERC's guidelines, and will adhere to such laws, rules and regulations in performing the Services.

(b) The EMM agrees that in carrying out the Services and its other duties and responsibilities under this Agreement, it will comply with all laws, and will neither undertake nor cause, nor permit to be undertaken, any activity which either (i) is illegal under any laws, decrees, rules or regulations in effect in the United States, any state or municipality; or (ii) would have the effect of causing ISO-NE to be in violation of any laws, decrees, rules or regulations in effect in the United States.

Section 6.4. Confidentiality. (a) The EMM shall not, at any time during or after the term of this Agreement, in any manner, either directly or indirectly, divulge, disclose, or communicate to any person, firm, corporation or other entity, or use for its own benefit or for the benefit of any person, firm, corporation or other entity, any Confidential Information acquired from ISO-NE, without the express prior written consent of ISO-NE. In addition, the EMM shall ensure that its employees and subcontractors abide by the terms and conditions contained herein. The EMM agrees that it shall be liable for any breach of this Agreement by its employees and subcontractors. The EMM shall not disclose any Confidential Information to anyone except to officers and employees of the EMM and to its outside consultants, advisers and/or attorneys, in each case who have a need to know and who have been advised of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and who have agreed to abide by the terms of this Agreement.

(b) This provision shall not apply to any information received by the EMM which:

(i) can be demonstrated by reasonably documented proof to have been in the possession of the EMM prior to receipt thereof from ISO-NE without any obligation of confidentiality or to have been developed in the course of work entirely independent of any disclosure made hereunder or the subject matter of this Agreement;

(ii) is or becomes part of the public domain other than through breach of this Agreement or through the fault of the EMM, provided, however, that information shall not be disqualified as Confidential Information (A) merely because it is embraced by more general or generic information which is in the public domain or available from a third party, or (B) if it can only be reconstructed from information taken from multiple sources, none of which individually shows the whole combination (with matching degree of specificity); or

(iii) is or becomes available to the EMM from a source other than the EMM which source has no obligation to ISO-NE in respect thereof.

(c) In the event that any Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by subpoena, law or other directive of a court, administrative agency or arbitration panel, the EMM hereby agrees to provide ISO-NE with prompt notice of such request or requirement in order to enable ISO-NE to (i) seek an appropriate protective order or other remedy, (ii) confer with the EMM with respect to taking steps to resist or narrow the scope of such request or legal process, or (iii) waive compliance, in whole or in part, with the terms of this Section. The EMM hereby agrees to furnish only that portion of the Confidential Information which the EMM's counsel advises is legally required and to exercise best efforts to obtain assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded such Confidential Information.

(d) The obligations of the parties set forth in this Section shall survive the termination or completion of this Agreement.

Section 6.5. **EMM's Insurance Requirements.** The EMM, at no expense to ISO-NE, shall obtain and maintain in effect insurance policies providing at least the following coverage: (i) professional errors and omissions insurance against errors or omissions by the EMM and its employees, officers, directors, agents, consultants or representatives, and (ii) comprehensive general liability insurance against any and all liability for injury to or death of a person, or persons, and for damage to or destruction of property occasioned by or arising out of or in connection with the presence at the premises of ISO-NE of the EMM, its employees, agents and servants, and the business conducted within such premises by the EMM, its employees, agents and servants, including contractual indemnity coverage for the EMM's indemnity obligations to ISO-NE, to afford protection with limits, in the aggregate, of at least \$1,000,000 each person and \$2,000,000 each occurrence. The EMM shall also maintain workers' compensation or other similar insurance offering statutory coverage and containing statutory limits, and any other insurance reasonably required by ISO-NE from time to time. Such policy or policies shall be on an occurrence, rather than claims-made, basis. The EMM shall have its policies (other than workers' compensation or similar insurance) name ISO-NE as an additional insured, and shall have its policies contain a provision stating that such policy or policies shall not be cancelled or materially altered except after thirty (30) days' written notice to ISO-NE. The EMM shall furnish to ISO-NE a certificate of insurance, reflecting ISO-NE as an additional insured, upon the execution of this Agreement.

Section 6.6. Prohibited Engagements and Conduct.

(a) None of the EMM, any EMM Affiliate or the EMM personnel listed on <u>Exhibit B</u> shall:

i. own, control or have the power to vote any securities of a Market Participant or an affiliate of any Market Participant;

ii. provide services relating to any litigation, open regulatory docket, alternative dispute resolution procedure, or arbitration with ISO-NE;

iii. provide any services to a single-state or multi-state agency within New England;

iv. provide any services to a Market Participant, an affiliate of a Market Participant, or ISO-NE;

v. have any other type of relationship with a single-state or multi-state agency within New England, a Market Participant or an affiliate of a Market Participant, except related to the EMM's own consumption of electricity, or, except as set forth in this Agreement, with ISO-NE; vi. provide advice, or undertake a matter for or on behalf of, any entity regarding any entity's participation or potential participation in the New England Electricity Markets; or

vii. accept any gift, loan (other than on standard commercial terms from a vendor of financial services) or other item of value from a state agency within New England, a Market Participant, an affiliate of a Market Participant, or ISO-NE.

(b) ISO-NE acknowledges that the EMM provides independent monitoring services for other independent system operators and regional transmission organizations, and that the provision of such services does not violate the terms of this Section 6.6.

(c) Further, notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.6, ISO-NE acknowledges that the EMM provides independent monitoring services pursuant to FERC or State-approved monitoring plans. The provision of such services shall not violate the terms of this Section 6.6, provided that (i) annual revenues from each engagement to monitor Governance Participants or their affiliates do not constitute more than 10% of the EMM's anticipated annual revenues, (ii) the EMM provides ISO-NE written notice if the annual revenues from engagements to monitor Governance Participants or their affiliates, in the aggregate, are projected to exceed 20% of the EMM's anticipated annual revenues, (iii) the EMM provides ISO-NE written notice annual revenues, (iii) the EMM provides ISO-NE written notice before accepting any engagement to monitor a Governance Participant or affiliate, (iv) no data generated by ISO-NE or the EMM as part of the provision of Services pursuant to this Agreement is utilized in the provision of such services, and (v) no additional advice, consulting or other services are provided beyond those specified in the monitoring plans.

Section 6.7. Access to Data. As required by Section III.A.1.3 of the Tariff, the parties agree that the EMM shall have access to ISO-NE's data, resources and personnel sufficient to allow the EMM to perform the functions outlined in the Tariff and this Agreement. This access shall include access to any confidential market information that ISO-NE receives from another independent system operator or regional transmission organization subject to the Commission's jurisdiction, or its market monitor, as part of an investigation to determine (a) if a Market Violation is occurring or has occurred, (b) if market power is being or has been exercised, or (c) if a market design flaw exists. In addition, the EMM shall have full access to the ISO's electronically generated information and databases and shall have exclusive control over any data created by the EMM. The EMM may share any data created by it with ISO-NE, which shall maintain the confidentiality of such data in accordance with the terms of the ISO New England Information Policy.

Section 6.8. Security. The parties agree that physical and cyber security is critical to ISO-NE's operations. Accordingly, the parties agree to the following security provisions:

(a) At all times during the term of this Agreement, the EMM shall maintain administrative, technical and physical safeguards, including proper information disposal procedures, to ensure the security, confidentiality and integrity of its software (object and source code), systems and facilities, and ISO-NE's Confidential Information, data and equipment, and to protect all of the foregoing against any threats or hazards, including, without limitation, unauthorized access or use. The EMM shall, at its sole expense, take appropriate actions, including reasonable actions the ISO-NE may request, to address any actual or apparent breach of security, including providing prompt notification to the ISO-NE of any such incident.

(b) The EMM will periodically (but not less than annually) review and update its security procedures. The EMM shall promptly provide ISO-NE with information regarding such security measures upon the reasonable request of ISO-NE or its designee, which information shall include, but not be limited to, any Service Organization Controls report covering the EMM's operations, and any other audit reports, summaries of test results or equivalent measures or evaluations taken by the EMM with respect to its security measures, provided that, if such report, test or equivalent measure or evaluation is funded by a third party, the sharing of such document shall be subject to the approval of the funding entity.

Upon reasonable notice and during normal business hours, ISO-NE, including its (c)consultants and/or internal auditors, shall have the right to go onto the EMM's property or web site to evaluate the EMM's physical and logical security, security administration, event monitoring and incident handling processes, business continuity plan, change/configuration management processes and vulnerability/patch management processes. At its own cost, the EMM shall provide ISO-NE with copies of its policies relating to the foregoing topics, and respond to inquiries regarding the same. Should ISO-NE itself or through a third party seek to obtain a Service Organization Controls report, Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification, or other form of security audit of the EMM, ISO-NE shall bear the costs of that initiative and shall compensate the EMM for its time in providing reasonably necessary information and evidence to complete such initiative at the hourly rates listed in Exhibit B. The EMM agrees to inform ISO-NE if other similar clients propose such an initiative, and give ISO-NE the opportunity to participate at its proportional cost. The EMM shall comply and demonstrate compliance with any reasonable written recommendations resulting from any of the foregoing evaluations, policy reviews, reports, certifications or other initiatives, subject to an agreement between ISO-NE and the EMM regarding which party shall incur the costs of implementing any recommendation that is a material new requirement.

(d) The EMM shall prepare a written "business continuity plan" that includes a "disaster recovery plan" describing the specific, detailed actions to be taken by the EMM to ensure the continued supply of the Services to ISO-NE pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement in the event of any Force Majeure event or other reasonably possible disruption in the EMM's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement (the "Plan"). The Plan shall address the unavailability of material third party software for any reason, including the insolvency of the licensor of the third party software or the termination or expiration of the EMM's rights in such Third Party Software; notwithstanding the foregoing, the only current material third party software is SAS and the parties agree that there is no reasonable contingency plan at this time for the unavailability of SAS. The Plan shall be updated at least annually by the EMM, in order to improve the EMM's ability to be prepared for any problem, and such updates shall be provided to ISO-NE for review and feedback.

(e) The EMM shall maintain the capability to transition its operations, including ISO-NE data, to a secondary, geographically-remote data center. The EMM shall test this disaster recovery capability on a regular basis, and provide confirmation of testing to ISO-NE. **Section 6.9** Succession Plan. The EMM shall develop a succession plan identifying individuals who are able and available to replace key employees. Such key employees shall include the EMM's management team as well as employees who are critical to the performance of the Services. The EMM shall update the succession plan at least annually, and shall share the updated succession plan with ISO-NE for review and feedback.

Section 6.10 Non-Solicitation. During the term of this Agreement and for a period of six (6) months following the termination or expiration thereof, neither Party shall solicit for employment, as either an employee or contractor, any employee of the other Party.

ARTICLE 7 – TERMINATION

Section 7.1 Term. The term of this Agreement shall end on December 31, 2025, unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

Section 7.2. Termination. (a) In the event that either party to this Agreement passes a resolution to wind-up, suffers a winding-up order to be made for any reason, is dissolved, becomes insolvent or falls into receivership, commits an act of bankruptcy or is adjudicated bankrupt by a court of competent jurisdiction, or ceases to carry on business for any reason whatsoever, the other party hereto shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately.

(b) ISO-NE may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the EMM.

(c) If the EMM assigns or transfers this Agreement or any right or obligation hereunder in violation of Section 9.1, or reassigns any of the employees listed on <u>Exhibit B</u>, ISO-NE shall have the exclusive option of (i) continuing under the terms and conditions of the Agreement, (ii) continuing under the terms and conditions of the Agreement with the EMM or its successors or assigns for such period of time as is necessary to replace the EMM's services, or (iii) immediately terminating the Agreement.

(d) Either party may terminate this Agreement immediately in the event that the other party shall be in material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant, term or condition of this Agreement and shall fail to remedy such breach within seven (7) days after receiving written notice thereof from the other party.

(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the FERC has approved such termination pursuant to a filing by one or both of the parties hereto.

Section 7.3. Obligations on Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement: ISO-NE shall pay to the EMM all payments due and owing through the termination date that are not in dispute pursuant to this Agreement; and the EMM shall deliver all Confidential Information and Work Product, in any form, to ISO-NE. The other provisions hereof shall survive in accordance with Section 9.3.

ARTICLE 8 – INDEMNIFICATION

Section 8.1. Indemnification. Each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees and agents, from and against any claims, demands, losses, damages or expenses (or actions in respect thereof asserted by any third party), including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, relating to any breach of the indemnifying party's representations, warranties or covenants in this Agreement. Additionally, each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees and agents, from and against any claims, demands, losses, damages or expenses (or actions in respect thereof asserted by any third party), including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, relating to any injury to any person or damage or loss of any property incurred to the extent arising from the negligent act or omission or willful misconduct of the indemnifying party done in the course of fulfilling the terms of this Agreement.

Section 8.2. Injunctions and Other Equitable Relief. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties specifically reserve the right to seek a temporary judicial restraining order, preliminary or permanent injunction, or other similar equitable relief with respect to (i) violations of confidentiality and intellectual property provisions of this Agreement, (ii) any failures by the parties to comply with any applicable post-termination obligations for which monetary compensation would not be adequate, (iii) to preserve the status quo or prevent irreparable harm. The jurisdiction and venue for any such action shall be governed by Section 9.8 hereof.

ARTICLE 9 – MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.1. Assignment. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the EMM shall not be entitled to assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of ISO-NE and any such assignment shall be deemed void. For purposes of this Agreement, assignment shall be deemed to include merger of the EMM, transfer of 50% or more of the equity interests in the EMM, or operation of law.

Section 9.2. Notice. Using the contact information below, any notice given hereunder shall be in writing and (i) given by personal delivery, (ii) sent by prepaid registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or by reputable overnight courier service, in each case addressed to the addressees set forth below, or (iii) transmitted by facsimile or email. Any notice so given shall be deemed received as follows: if sent by registered or certified mail, on the third business day next following the mailing thereof; if sent by reputable overnight courier service, on the next business day; or, if transmitted by facsimile or email, on the business day following the sender's confirmation of receipt. Either party may change its address hereunder by giving written notice of such change to the other party in the manner provided above.

<u>If to the EMM</u>: Potomac Economics, Ltd. 9990 Fairfax Boulevard, Suite 560 Fairfax, VA 22030 Tel: (703) 383 6270 Fax: (703) 383 0796 Email: dpatton@potomaceconomics.com

If to ISO-NE: ISO New England Inc. One Sullivan Road Holyoke, MA 01040-2841 ATT: General Counsel Tel: 413-535-4000 Fax: 413-535-4379 Email: mgulluni@iso-ne.com

Section 9.3. Survival. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement, regardless of any investigation or due diligence inquiry that may have been made on behalf of the party for whose benefit the representations, warranties and covenants were made.

Section 9.4. Further Assurances. The parties agree to cooperate with and assist each other and take such action as may be reasonably necessary to implement and carry into effect this Agreement to its full extent.

Section 9.5. Counterparts. This agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement.

Section 9.6. Independent Contractor. The parties to this Agreement are each an independent contractor as to the other and shall not be considered or deemed to be an agent, employee, joint venturer or partner of the other. Neither party shall have authority to contract for or bind the other in any manner and shall not represent itself as an agent of the other or as otherwise authorized to act for or on behalf of the other.

Section 9.7. Waiver. Any term or provision of this Agreement may be waived only in writing by the party or parties who are entitled to the benefits being waived. No waiver by any party shall operate as a waiver of any future exercise of that right, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right hereunder preclude any other or future exercise of that right or any other right hereunder. All rights and remedies evidenced hereby are in addition to and cumulative to rights and remedies available at law.

Section 9.8. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts without (i) reference to the choice of law principles thereof, or (ii) regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the party drafting or causing this Agreement to be drafted. Any action commenced with respect to this Agreement shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to which the parties hereby consent.

Section 9.9. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and Exhibits contain the entire agreement between the EMM and ISO-NE with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersede all prior agreements, negotiations and representations, written or oral, as of the date of this Agreement. Except as provided herein, there are no conditions, representations, warranties, undertakings or agreements between the parties whether direct, indirect, collateral, express or implied. No supplement, modification or waiver of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by both parties.

Section 9.10. Number and Gender. Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing gender include both genders.

Section 9.11. Headings. The Article and Section headings contained herein are included solely for convenience, are not intended to be full or accurate descriptions of the contents thereof and shall not be considered part of this Agreement or to affect the interpretation hereof.

Section 9.12. Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement or any covenant herein contained shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision or covenant hereof or herein contained and any such invalid or unenforceable provision or covenant shall be deemed severed.

Section 9.13. Force Majeure. Neither the EMM nor ISO-NE shall be liable to each other for any delay or failure to perform its obligations hereunder due to strikes, labor disputes, riots, storms, floods, explosions, acts of God or war (a "Majeure Event"). Each party shall give to the other party notice in writing promptly after such party becomes aware of any such delay as a result of a Majeure Event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this EMM Services Agreement as of the date first written above.

POTOMAC ECONOMICS, LTD.

By:

David Patton President

Section 9.8. Coverning Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in ordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts without (i) reference to the

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ISO NEW ENGLAND INC.

By:

Robert C. Ludlow Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Compliance Officer

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in the Agreement or this Scope of Work shall have the meanings set forth in the Tariff. As set forth in Section III.A.1.2 of the Tariff, any limitation or modification to this Scope of Work shall be subject to the prior approval of FERC.

A. Relationship with ISO-NE

The EMM reports directly to the Markets Committee of the ISO-NE Board of Directors. David Patton, or an acceptable designee when he is unavailable (which the parties agree shall not occur more than twice per year barring exceptional circumstances), shall attend all meetings of the Markets Committee to report on the EMM's work, and participate in preparatory meetings with ISO-NE staff before each Markets Committee meeting. The EMM shall submit to the Office of the General Counsel for distribution to the Markets Committee, eight (8) days in advance of each regularly-scheduled meeting of the Markets Committee or at such other interval as the parties may agree, a document in a form to be agreed by the parties that outlines the EMM's reaction to the IMM's monthly report and identifies any significant concerns identified through the EMM's data analysis.

B. Required Functions of the External Market Monitor Per the Tariff

The EMM shall continue to meet the obligations set forth in Appendix A of the Tariff (Section III.A). These obligations include, but are not limited to:

1. <u>Review of Market Competitiveness and Design</u>: As set out in Section III.A.2.2 of the Tariff, the EMM shall review the competitiveness of the markets. Without limitation, this review shall include proposed market rule changes that are identified by ISO-NE. The EMM shall comment on market designs and filings under development, and make recommendations to improve the competitiveness of the markets and the efficiency of trade between regions.

To facilitate the fulfillment of this responsibility:

- the ISO will provide proposed market designs to the EMM for review, and, following ongoing consultation between the ISO and EMM, the EMM will respond with a final written opinion on the design within a reasonable time frame that has been agreed upon by the EMM and the ISO.
- the IMM will provide the EMM with its monthly, quarterly and annual market performance reports for the EMM's review and comment.

2. <u>Reporting</u>: The EMM shall continue to make the reports described in Appendix A of the Tariff. Without limitation, as set out in Section III.A.17.3 of the

Tariff, these reports will include annual reports on the overall competitiveness and efficiency of the markets, including the activities of the ISO and Market Participants and the effectiveness of Section III.A of the Tariff. Ad hoc reports referenced in Appendix A of the Tariff are not included this Scope of Work, but are included as Other Services under this Agreement. It is anticipated that a significant element of the EMM's annual report will be a comparison of the functioning of the New England markets with other U.S. electricity markets. The EMM will coordinate its annual report with the IMM's annual report.

3. <u>Mitigation Review</u>: As set out in Section III.A.2.2(d) of the Tariff, the EMM will continue to monitor and review the quality and appropriateness of the mitigation conducted by the IMM.

4. <u>Referrals to Enforcement</u>: The EMM shall continue to make referrals to the Commission and to other relevant authorities as required in Appendix A. Without limitation, as set out in Sections III.A.19 and III.A.20 of the Tariff, the EMM will refer any suspected Market Violation by either ISO-NE or a Market Participant that warrants investigation, any suspected market design flaw, or any problem with the quality or appropriateness of market power mitigation.

C. Data and Security

As required by the Tariff, the parties agree that the EMM shall have reasonable access to ISO-NE's data and personnel, including ISO-NE management responsible for market monitoring, operations and billing and settlement functions. The EMM shall have the ability to receive ISO-NE's data in a secure manner, as discussed in more detail in Section 6.8 of the Agreement. In particular, the EMM shall: (i) maintain administrative, technical and physical safeguards, including proper information disposal procedures; (ii) at least annually review and update its security procedures; and (iii) prepare a written business continuity plan that includes a disaster recovery plan. ISO-NE shall be entitled to review the EMM's security measures and related audit results, and shall have the right to evaluate the EMM's physical and logical security itself.

EXHIBIT B

PERSONNEL

| Personnel (| (with 2023 | hourly | rate) | : |
|--------------|------------|--------|-------|---|
| David Patton | | | \$61 | Δ |

| David Patton | \$640 |
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| Pallas LeeVanSchaick | \$490 |
| Jason Fogarty | \$480 |
| Robert Sinclair | \$470 |
| Michael Chiasson | \$460 |
| Michael Wander | \$445 |
| Jie Chen | \$430 |
| Matthew Carrier | \$430 |
| Carrie Milton | \$405 |
| Junaid Khan | \$355 |
| John Patton | \$365 |
| Emilson Antonio | \$310 |
| Diane Kearney | \$330 |
| Daniel Goodman | \$335 |
| Joe Coscia | \$350 |
| Michael Marino | \$365 |
| Paul Allen | \$325 |
| Deric Tilson | \$315 |
| David Loungani | \$300 |
| Yong Tang | \$280 |
| Tao Qin | \$270 |
| Han Su | \$270 |
| Chris McCabe | \$240 |

EXHIBIT C

REIMBURSEMENT RATES

Expenses shall be reimbursed by ISO-NE at 100% of cost, and mileage shall be reimbursed at the standard imposed by the IRS. Reimbursements for expenses shall not exceed 10% of the total fees for Services paid by ISO-NE pursuant to Section 3.1.

The parties agree that overnight travel shall be limited as follows:

- The Consultant will use best efforts to secure lowest cost airline fares.
- The Consultant will consult with ISO-NE (telephone or email consultations are acceptable) regarding each trip to discuss the minimization of expenses.
- Detailed receipts will be provided for all meals and any charges of \$10.00 or more.
- Hotels and Meals will be capped based on GSA Rates. Meals will not exceed the current GSA Standards for any day. ISO does not reimburse for alcoholic beverages.

ISO-NE has negotiated special rates at the following local hotels:

The "D" Hotel (formerly Country Inn)

Northampton St., Holyoke, MA Phone: (413) 533-2100 Fax (413) 539-9761 ISO-NE Rate: \$ 89/Night, Free Parking www.stayattheD.com Corporate ID #ISO

Homewood Suites by Hilton

Holyoke/Springfield-North 375 Whitney Ave, Holyoke, MA 01040 Phone (413) 532-3100 Fax (413) 532-3150 ISO New England Rate \$139/night Free Parking ISO-NE Corp ID # 0002653660

Fairfield Inn & Suites at Ingleside Square

229 Whiting Farms Rd., Holyoke, MA 01040 Phone (413) 533-2800 ISO-NE Rate: \$ 119.Night, Free Parking www.marriott.com/bdlho

These are our preferred Hotel providers. They are within the closest proximity to ISO headquarters and are our first choice for your stay. Hotel expenses will be reimbursed based on these rate standards for all accommodations required while working at ISO's Holyoke, MA location.

Budget Rent a Car – For Airport rentals Budget Corporate Discount (BCD) # U316562

Reservations at <u>www.budget.com</u> or via phone at (800) 527-0700

Marcotte Ford – For local rentals

Linda Gleason (413) 536-1900

ATTACHMENT 2

EMM SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS EMM SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made as of this 1st day of January, <u>20202023</u>, by and between POTOMAC ECONOMICS, LTD. (the "External Market Monitor" or "EMM"), and ISO New England Inc., a non-stock corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware ("ISO-NE").

WHEREAS, ISO-NE has determined it requires the services of the EMM, as outlined in this Agreement, to support the operations of ISO-NE; and

WHEREAS, in connection therewith, the EMM is willing to provide services as more fully set forth in this Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged), the EMM and ISO-NE covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS

In this Agreement, unless there is something in the subject matter or context inconsistent therewith, the following terms shall have the respective meanings indicated below:

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

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"Commission" or "FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"Confidential Information" means the following except to the extent excluded under Section 6.4 below: (a) all information about ISO-NE, its vendors or any Market Participant, whether furnished before or after the date hereof, whether oral, written or recorded/electronic, and regardless of the manner in which it is furnished; (b) all reports, summaries, compilations, analyses, notes or other information which are based on, contain or reflect any Confidential Information; (c) any and all Confidential Information, as that term is defined in the ISO New England Information Policy, which is located at http://www.iso-ne.com/staticassets/documents/regulatory/tariff/attach_d/attachment_d.pdf; and (d) any information which, if disclosed by a transmission function employee of a utility regulated by the FERC to a market function employee of the same utility system, other than by public posting, would violate the FERC's open access same time information regulations.

"EMM" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"EMM Affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the EMM.

"EMM Software" means software used by the EMM to perform its monitoring function or produce the analyses contained in the products and deliverables provided to ISO-NE.

"ISO-NE" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Majeure Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Market Participant" has the meaning set forth in the Tariff.

"Markets Committee" means the Markets Committee of ISO-NE's Board of Directors.

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"Reimbursement Rates" means the negotiated rates of reimbursement of the EMM set forth on Exhibit C attached hereto.

"Scope of Work" means the Scope of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A.

"Services" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Tariff" means ISO-NE's Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

"Work Product" means any report, analysis, data compilation or database, methodology, processes, protocol, plan, item of documentation or other deliverable developed by the EMM in performing the Services set forth in this Agreement. Work Product shall not include the EMM Software.

ARTICLE 2 - SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF EMM

Section 2.1. Scope and Delivery of Services. The Scope of Work describes the primary services and Work Product to be provided by the EMM pursuant to this Agreement, which, for purposes of clarity, the parties agree shall include all of the EMM's efforts related to the mitigation of bids in the Forward Capacity Market (the "Services"). The EMM may also provide Other Services as described in this Agreement. The parties agree that the EMM shall perform the Services specified in the Scope of Work and Other Services in a timely fashion and in accordance with all relevant delivery dates, and shall contemporaneously provide the Markets Committee with copies of any filings, memos, letters or reports prepared under this Agreement that are submitted to third parties, including the Commission.

Section 2.2. Personnel of EMM. (a) The EMM agrees that it will provide the employees specified on Exhibit B for the performance of the Services, and that such employees are properly trained and qualified and possess appropriate technical skills and experience for the Services they are to perform. All Services, work and deliverables to be performed hereunder by the EMM shall be performed by qualified personnel in a professional manner, and in accordance with the highest industry standards. The EMM shall, and shall cause its personnel to, work in good faith with ISO-NE's employees and contractors.

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(b) The EMM shall not hire any subcontractor to perform the Services as a whole or in part and shall not reassign, or redefine the roles of, any of the employees listed in <u>Exhibit B</u>, in either case without ISO-NE's prior written consent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the EMM shall be responsible for the compliance of any subcontractor with each term of this Agreement.

(c) The EMM shall, and shall cause its personnel to, perform the Services in accordance with all of ISO-NE's policies, as set forth from time to time. Specifically, the personnel of the EMM specified in <u>Exhibit B</u> shall comply with ISO-NE's Code of Conduct, which is located at <u>http://www.iso-ne.com/static-</u>

<u>assets/documents/aboutiso/corp_gov/bylaws/code_of_conduct.pdf</u>, and shall annually execute the attached compliance certificate.

(d) The EMM hereby agrees that ISO-NE has the right to perform background checks on the EMM and its employees at any time during the term of this Agreement. The EMM has informed its employees accordingly, and has secured their consent to the performance of such background checks.

(e) The EMM shall be solely responsible for the payment of its employees' entire compensation and benefits, including employment taxes and workers' compensation.

ARTICLE 3 – PAYMENTS, RECORDS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

Section 3.1. Payments to EMM. (a) <u>Invoices</u>. The EMM shall submit invoices in arrears to ISO-NE (Attn.: Accounts Payable) on a monthly basis. Invoices shall include the following charges:

(i) In compensation for all Services, except Other Services, a monthly fixed fee of \$7892,000, as adjusted annually to account for inflation; and

(ii) Authorized, reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses, including travel and necessary subscriptions to Platts fuel indices, that were incurred by the EMM in the performance of the Services, in accordance with the Reimbursement Rates;-and

(iii) Hourly charges at the rates listed on Exhibit B, as adjusted annually to account for inflation, for Other Services, provided that: (A) Other Services have been requested by the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, and the EMM has provided a written estimation of cost and effort that has been approved by the Chair of the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable; or (B) Other Services are ad hoc reports or filings by the EMM that it deems warranted per the requirements of the Tariff and Participants Agreement, for which the EMM has provided a written estimation of cost and effort to the Chair of the Markets Committee or ISO-NE's General Counsel, as applicable, before beginning the work. As set out in Sections 9.4.3 and 10.4.2 of the Participants Agreement, such reports may include ad hoc reports prepared on the EMM's own initiative or pursuant to requests by ISO-NE, state public utility commissions or one or more Governance Participants, and Formatted: Not Highlight

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(iv) For the disaster recovery services described in Section 6.8(e), an initial charge for set up and testing of \$12,000, and monthly costs thereafter of \$3,000; provided that the EMM shall be required to seek efficiencies where possible, including by sharing costs among clients, and shall reflect such efficiencies and cost-sharing in these charges.

(b) <u>Taxes</u>. The fees to be paid and expenses to be reimbursed by ISO-NE for the Services performed hereunder shall be inclusive of any applicable sales and use taxes.

(c) <u>Payment</u>. ISO-NE will review each invoice and shall pay any undisputed amount thereunder within thirty (30) days of the date of submission of such invoice to ISO-NE. With respect to any invoice submitted by the EMM, ISO-NE may, without triggering a default under this Agreement, withhold from any payment otherwise due: (i) any amount incorrectly invoiced, provided that ISO-NE timely informs the EMM of the amounts alleged to be incorrectly invoiced and the basis for any such assertion for review, resolution and rebilling purposes; or (ii) any amount in dispute.

(d) <u>Disclosure</u>. The parties acknowledge that, as required by the Participants Agreement between ISO-NE and the New England Power Pool, the EMM budget will be separately identified, included and considered in the overall ISO budget process set forth in Section 12 of the Participants Agreement.

Section 3.2. Records; Final Audit. The EMM shall keep and maintain detailed books of account in support of all chargeable hours and reimbursable expenses under this Agreement. Such books shall include without limitation a record of the hours worked by each of the EMM's personnel whose time is billed to ISO-NE hereunder, which record shall include a summary of the hours worked by each individual. The books of account and record of hours worked shall be made available for inspection by ISO-NE.

ARTICLE 4 – REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Section 4.1. Representations and Warranties of ISO-NE. ISO-NE represents and warrants to the EMM that ISO-NE has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and that execution of this Agreement will not violate any other agreement with a third party. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of ISO-NE has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this Agreement.

Section 4.2. Representations of the EMM. The EMM represents, warrants and covenants to ISO-NE that:

(a) The EMM has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform the Services hereunder. Execution of this Agreement will not violate any other agreement with a third party. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of the EMM has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this Agreement.

(b) All Work Product developed or to be developed by the EMM to perform the Services does not, or when developed, will not, infringe upon or violate any issued U.S. patent or

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the copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights of any third party, and is free of all liens and encumbrances.

(c) All software programs, hardware, processes, or databases licensed by the EMM from third parties do not infringe upon or violate any issued U.S. patent or the copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights of any third party.

(d) There are no pending or threatened suits, legal proceedings, claims or governmental investigations against or with respect to the EMM relating to Work Product or any licensed software programs, hardware, processes or databases intended to be used by the EMM to perform the Services.

(e) The EMM has not received any notice of any claim of infringement or violation of any third party's copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks or other proprietary rights relating to any Work Product or licensed software, hardware, processes or databases intended to be used by the EMM to perform the Services.

(f) The EMM has all rights necessary, pursuant to written agreements with its employees, consultants, contractors, agents and representatives, as applicable, to secure for ISO-NE the rights to be secured by the EMM for ISO-NE under this Agreement.

(g) The EMM acknowledges that the foregoing representations and warranties shall be continuing, and agrees to promptly inform ISO-NE in writing should any of the foregoing become untrue.

ARTICLE 5 – OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT

Section 5.1. Rights to Work Product, Documentation, etc. (a) The EMM acknowledges and agrees that all Work Product shall belong to and be the sole property of ISO-NE or any other entity or entities designated by it, as a "work made for hire" by the EMM pursuant to this Agreement; provided that control of the Work Product shall comply with the regulatory requirements of the Commission. The EMM shall ensure that its employees and subcontractors who are involved in the provision of the Services assign in writing to ISO-NE all copyrights, rights of trade secret and other intellectual property rights which they may have or claim in and to any such Work Product. To the extent any Work Product, however, is deemed not to be a "work made for hire" by the EMM for ISO-NE, or if ownership of all right, title and interest in any intellectual property rights therein shall not be deemed to vest exclusively in ISO-NE, the EMM hereby assigns to ISO-NE its entire right, title and interest in and to all such Work Product contains works or portions of works owned in whole or in part by any third party, the EMM hereby grants to ISO-NE an irrevocable, nonexclusive, transferable, worldwide, royalty-free license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, distribute copies of, and prepare derivative works based upon, such works.

(b) ISO-NE or any other entity or entities designated by it shall be the sole owner of all domestic and foreign rights pertaining to the Work Product. The EMM further agrees as to all Work Product to assist ISO-NE in every way (at ISO-NE's expense) to obtain and from time to time enforce patents, copyrights or equivalent intellectual property rights on Work Product in

any and all countries. To that end, by way of illustration but not limitation, the EMM will testify in any suit or other proceeding involving any Work Product, execute all documents which ISO-NE reasonably determines to be necessary or convenient for use in applying for and obtaining patents or copyrights thereon and enforcing the same, and execute all necessary assignments thereof to ISO-NE or persons designated by it. In the event ISO-NE is unable, after reasonable effort, to secure signatures of the EMM on any document or documents needed to apply for or prosecute any patent, copyright, or other right or protection, for any reason whatsoever, the EMM hereby irrevocably designates and appoints ISO-NE and its duly authorized officers and agents as its agent and attorney-in-fact to act for and on its behalf to execute and file any such application or applications and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the prosecution and issuance of patents, copyrights, or similar protections thereon with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the EMM. The EMM will, by appropriate written agreement with each of its employees who work on the ISO-NE account, ensure similar cooperation from each such employee.

(c) The EMM acknowledges that ISO-NE from time to time may have agreements with other persons or with the United States Government, or agencies thereof, that impose obligations or restrictions on ISO-NE regarding inventions made during the course of work under such agreements or regarding the confidential nature of such work. The EMM agrees to be bound by all such obligations and restrictions that are known to the EMM and to take all action necessary to discharge the obligations of ISO-NE under such agreements.

Section 5.2. Ownership of EMM Software. Title and ownership to the EMM Software and other proprietary information and processes and any works that do not constitute Work Product shall remain and belong to and be vested in the EMM. The EMM reserves all rights in its software and its proprietary information not expressly granted to ISO-NE in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 6 – COVENANTS

Section 6.1. No Use of ISO-NE Work Product. The EMM covenants that it will not use (or permit the use of) any Work Product for the EMM's own use or for the use of any person other than ISO-NE, nor will the EMM use or make available to any person other than ISO-NE any part of the Work Product, except as provided in this Agreement or as agreed to in writing by ISO-NE.

Section 6.2. Export Regulations. The EMM acknowledges its obligations to control access to technical data under the U.S. Export Laws and Regulations and agrees to adhere to such laws and regulations with regard to any technical data received under this Agreement.

Section 6.3. Adherence to Laws. (a) The EMM agrees that in carrying out its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement, it will make itself familiar with and knowledgeable about any rules or regulations of state or governmental regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over ISO-NE, including FERC's guidelines, and will adhere to such laws, rules and regulations in performing the Services.

(b) The EMM agrees that in carrying out the Services and its other duties and responsibilities under this Agreement, it will comply with all laws, and will neither undertake nor cause, nor permit to be undertaken, any activity which either (i) is illegal under any laws, decrees, rules or regulations in effect in the United States, any state or municipality; or (ii) would have the effect of causing ISO-NE to be in violation of any laws, decrees, rules or regulations in effect in the United States.

Section 6.4. Confidentiality. (a) The EMM shall not, at any time during or after the term of this Agreement, in any manner, either directly or indirectly, divulge, disclose, or communicate to any person, firm, corporation or other entity, or use for its own benefit or for the benefit of any person, firm, corporation or other entity, any Confidential Information acquired from ISO-NE, without the express prior written consent of ISO-NE. In addition, the EMM shall ensure that its employees and subcontractors abide by the terms and conditions contained herein. The EMM agrees that it shall be liable for any breach of this Agreement by its employees and subcontractors. The EMM shall not disclose any Confidential Information to anyone except to officers and employees of the EMM and to its outside consultants, advisers and/or attorneys, in each case who have a need to know and who have been advised of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and who have agreed to abide by the terms of this Agreement.

(b) This provision shall not apply to any information received by the EMM which:

(i) can be demonstrated by reasonably documented proof to have been in the possession of the EMM prior to receipt thereof from ISO-NE without any obligation of confidentiality or to have been developed in the course of work entirely independent of any disclosure made hereunder or the subject matter of this Agreement;

(ii) is or becomes part of the public domain other than through breach of this Agreement or through the fault of the EMM, provided, however, that information shall not be disqualified as Confidential Information (A) merely because it is embraced by more general or generic information which is in the public domain or available from a third party, or (B) if it can only be reconstructed from information taken from multiple sources, none of which individually shows the whole combination (with matching degree of specificity); or

(iii) is or becomes available to the EMM from a source other than the EMM which source has no obligation to ISO-NE in respect thereof.

(c) In the event that any Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by subpoena, law or other directive of a court, administrative agency or arbitration panel, the EMM hereby agrees to provide ISO-NE with prompt notice of such request or requirement in order to enable ISO-NE to (i) seek an appropriate protective order or other remedy, (ii) confer with the EMM with respect to taking steps to resist or narrow the scope of such request or legal process, or (iii) waive compliance, in whole or in part, with the terms of this Section. The EMM hereby agrees to furnish only that portion of the Confidential Information which the EMM's counsel advises is legally required and to exercise best efforts to obtain assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded such Confidential Information.

(d) The obligations of the parties set forth in this Section shall survive the termination or completion of this Agreement.

Section 6.5. EMM's Insurance Requirements. The EMM, at no expense to ISO-NE, shall obtain and maintain in effect insurance policies providing at least the following coverage: (i) professional errors and omissions insurance against errors or omissions by the EMM and its employees, officers, directors, agents, consultants or representatives, and (ii) comprehensive general liability insurance against any and all liability for injury to or death of a person, or persons, and for damage to or destruction of property occasioned by or arising out of or in connection with the presence at the premises of ISO-NE of the EMM, its employees, agents and servants, and the business conducted within such premises by the EMM, its employees, agents and servants, including contractual indemnity coverage for the EMM's indemnity obligations to ISO-NE, to afford protection with limits, in the aggregate, of at least \$1,000,000 each person and \$2,000,000 each occurrence. The EMM shall also maintain workers' compensation or other similar insurance offering statutory coverage and containing statutory limits, and any other insurance reasonably required by ISO-NE from time to time. Such policy or policies shall be on an occurrence, rather than claims-made, basis. The EMM shall have its policies (other than workers' compensation or similar insurance) name ISO-NE as an additional insured, and shall have its policies contain a provision stating that such policy or policies shall not be cancelled or materially altered except after thirty (30) days' written notice to ISO-NE. The EMM shall furnish to ISO-NE a certificate of insurance, reflecting ISO-NE as an additional insured, upon the execution of this Agreement.

Section 6.6. Prohibited Engagements and Conduct.

(a) None of the EMM, any EMM Affiliate or the EMM personnel listed on Exhibit B shall:

i. own, control or have the power to vote any securities of a Market Participant or an affiliate of any Market Participant;

ii. provide services relating to any litigation, open regulatory docket, alternative dispute resolution procedure, or arbitration with ISO-NE;

iii. provide any services to a single-state or multi-state agency within New England;

iv. provide any services to a Market Participant, an affiliate of a Market Participant, or ISO-NE;

v. have any other type of relationship with a single-state or multi-state agency within New England, a Market Participant or an affiliate of a Market Participant, except related to the EMM's own consumption of electricity, or, except as set forth in this Agreement, with ISO-NE; vi. provide advice, or undertake a matter for or on behalf of, any entity regarding any entity's participation or potential participation in the New England Electricity Markets; or

vii. accept any gift, loan (other than on standard commercial terms from a vendor of financial services) or other item of value from a state agency within New England, a Market Participant, an affiliate of a Market Participant, or ISO-NE.

(b) ISO-NE acknowledges that the EMM provides independent monitoring services for other independent system operators and regional transmission organizations, and that the provision of such services does not violate the terms of this Section 6.6.

(c) Further, notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.6, ISO-NE acknowledges that the EMM provides independent monitoring services pursuant to FERC or State-approved monitoring plans. The provision of such services shall not violate the terms of this Section 6.6, provided that (i) annual revenues from each engagement to monitor Governance Participants or their affiliates do not constitute more than 10% of the EMM's anticipated annual revenues, (ii) the EMM provides ISO-NE written notice if the annual revenues from engagements to monitor Governance Participants or their affiliates, in the aggregate, are projected to exceed 20% of the EMM's anticipated annual revenues, (iii) the EMM provides ISO-NE written notice before accepting any engagement to monitor a Governance Participant or affiliate, (iv) no data generated by ISO-NE or the EMM as part of the provision of Services pursuant to this Agreement is utilized in the provision of such services, and (v) no additional advice, consulting or other services are provided beyond those specified in the monitoring plans.

Section 6.7. Access to Data. As required by Section III.A.1.3 of the Tariff, the parties agree that the EMM shall have access to ISO-NE's data, resources and personnel sufficient to allow the EMM to perform the functions outlined in the Tariff and this Agreement. This access shall include access to any confidential market information that ISO-NE receives from another independent system operator or regional transmission organization subject to the Commission's jurisdiction, or its market monitor, as part of an investigation to determine (a) if a Market Violation is occurring or has occurred, (b) if market power is being or has been exercised, or (c) if a market design flaw exists. In addition, the EMM shall have full access to the ISO's electronically generated information and databases and shall have exclusive control over any data created by the EMM. The EMM may share any data created by it with ISO-NE, which shall maintain the confidentiality of such data in accordance with the terms of the ISO New England Information Policy.

Section 6.8. Security. The parties agree that physical and cyber security is critical to ISO-NE's operations. Accordingly, the parties agree to the following security provisions:

(a) At all times during the term of this Agreement, the EMM shall maintain administrative, technical and physical safeguards, including proper information disposal procedures, to ensure the security, confidentiality and integrity of its software (object and source code), systems and facilities, and ISO-NE's Confidential Information, data and equipment, and to protect all of the foregoing against any threats or hazards, including, without limitation, unauthorized access or use. The EMM shall, at its sole expense, take appropriate actions, including reasonable actions the ISO-NE may request, to address any actual or apparent breach of security, including providing prompt notification to the ISO-NE of any such incident.

(b) The EMM will periodically (but not less than annually) review and update its security procedures. The EMM shall promptly provide ISO-NE with information regarding such security measures upon the reasonable request of ISO-NE or its designee, which information shall include, but not be limited to, any Service Organization Controls report covering the EMM's operations, and any other audit reports, summaries of test results or equivalent measures or evaluations taken by the EMM with respect to its security measures. <u>provided that, if such report, test or equivalent measure or evaluation is funded by a third party, the sharing of such document shall be subject to the approval of the funding entity.</u>

(c) Upon reasonable notice and during normal business hours, ISO-NE, including its consultants and/or internal auditors, shall have the right to go onto the EMM's property or web site to evaluate the EMM's physical and logical security, security administration, event monitoring and incident handling processes, business continuity plan, change/configuration management processes and vulnerability/patch management processes. The EMM shall provide information reasonably necessary for ISO-NE and its agents to complete their security evaluation. At its own cost, the EMM shall provide ISO-NE with copies of its policies relating to the foregoing topics, and respond to inquiries regarding the same. Should ISO-NE itself or through a third party seek to obtain a Service Organization Controls report, Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification, or other form of security audit of the EMM, ISO-NE shall bear the costs of that initiative and shall compensate the EMM for its time in providing reasonably necessary information and evidence to complete such initiative at the hourly rates listed in Exhibit B. The EMM agrees to inform ISO-NE if other similar clients propose such an initiative, and give ISO-NE the opportunity to participate at its proportional cost. The EMM shall comply and demonstrate compliance with any reasonable written recommendations resulting from ISO-NE's physical and logical security evaluation of the EMM any of the foregoing evaluations, policy reviews, reports, certifications or other initiatives, subject to an agreement between ISO-NE and the EMM regarding which party shall incur the costs of implementing any recommendation that is a material new requirement.

(d) The EMM shall prepare a written "business continuity plan" that includes a "disaster recovery plan" describing the specific, detailed actions to be taken by the EMM to ensure the continued supply of the Services to ISO-NE pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement in the event of any Force Majeure event or other reasonably possible disruption in the EMM's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement (the "Plan"). The Plan shall address the unavailability of material third party software for any reason, including the insolvency of the licensor of the third party software or the termination or expiration of the EMM's rights in such Third Party Software; notwithstanding the foregoing, the only current material third party software is SAS and the parties agree that there is no reasonable contingency plan at this time for the unavailability of SAS. The Plan shall be updated at least annually by the EMM, in order to improve the EMM's ability to be prepared for any problem, and such updates shall be provided to ISO-NE for review and feedback.

(e) The EMM shall maintain the capability to transition its operations, including ISO-NE data, to a secondary, geographically-remote data center. The EMM shall test this disaster recovery capability on a regular basis, and provide confirmation of testing to ISO-NE.

Section 6.9 Succession Plan. The EMM shall develop a succession plan identifying individuals who are able and available to replace key employees. Such key employees shall include the EMM's management team as well as employees who are critical to the performance of the Services. The EMM shall update the succession plan at least annually, and shall share the updated succession plan with ISO-NE for review and feedback.

Section 6.10 Non-Solicitation. During the term of this Agreement and for a period of six (6) months following the termination or expiration thereof, neither Party shall solicit for employment, as either an employee or contractor, any employee of the other Party.

ARTICLE 7 – TERMINATION

Section 7.1 Term. The term of this Agreement shall end on December 31, 20222025, unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

Section 7.2. Termination. (a) In the event that either party to this Agreement passes a resolution to wind-up, suffers a winding-up order to be made for any reason, is dissolved, becomes insolvent or falls into receivership, commits an act of bankruptcy or is adjudicated bankrupt by a court of competent jurisdiction, or ceases to carry on business for any reason whatsoever, the other party hereto shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately.

(b) ISO-NE may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the EMM.

(c) If the EMM assigns or transfers this Agreement or any right or obligation hereunder in violation of Section 9.1, or reassigns any of the employees listed on <u>Exhibit B</u>, ISO-NE shall have the exclusive option of (i) continuing under the terms and conditions of the Agreement, (ii) continuing under the terms and conditions of the Agreement with the EMM or its successors or assigns for such period of time as is necessary to replace the EMM's services, or (iii) immediately terminating the Agreement.

(d) Either party may terminate this Agreement immediately in the event that the other party shall be in material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant, term or condition of this Agreement and shall fail to remedy such breach within seven (7) days after receiving written notice thereof from the other party.

(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the FERC has approved such termination pursuant to a filing by one or both of the parties hereto.

Section 7.3. Obligations on Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement: ISO-NE shall pay to the EMM all payments due and owing through the termination date that are not in dispute pursuant to this Agreement; and the EMM shall deliver all Confidential Information
and Work Product, in any form, to ISO-NE. The other provisions hereof shall survive in accordance with Section 9.3.

ARTICLE 8 – INDEMNIFICATION

Section 8.1. Indemnification. Each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees and agents, from and against any claims, demands, losses, damages or expenses (or actions in respect thereof asserted by any third party), including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, relating to any breach of the indemnifying party's representations, warranties or covenants in this Agreement. Additionally, each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees and agents, from and against any claims, demands, losses, damages or expenses (or actions in respect thereof asserted by any third party), including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, relating to any injury to any person or damage or loss of any property incurred to the extent arising from the negligent act or omission or willful misconduct of the indemnifying party done in the course of fulfilling the terms of this Agreement.

Section 8.2. Injunctions and Other Equitable Relief. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties specifically reserve the right to seek a temporary judicial restraining order, preliminary or permanent injunction, or other similar equitable relief with respect to (i) violations of confidentiality and intellectual property provisions of this Agreement, (ii) any failures by the parties to comply with any applicable post-termination obligations for which monetary compensation would not be adequate, (iii) to preserve the status quo or prevent irreparable harm. The jurisdiction and venue for any such action shall be governed by Section 9.8 hereof.

ARTICLE 9 – MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.1. Assignment. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the EMM shall not be entitled to assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of ISO-NE and any such assignment shall be deemed void. For purposes of this Agreement, assignment shall be deemed to include merger of the EMM, transfer of 50% or more of the equity interests in the EMM, or operation of law.

Section 9.2. Notice. Using the contact information below, any notice given hereunder shall be in writing and (i) given by personal delivery, (ii) sent by prepaid registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or by reputable overnight courier service, in each case addressed to the addressees set forth below, or (iii) transmitted by facsimile or email. Any notice so given shall be deemed received as follows: if sent by registered or certified mail, on the third business day next following the mailing thereof; if sent by reputable overnight courier service, on the next business day; or, if transmitted by facsimile or email, on the business day following the sender's confirmation of receipt. Either party may change its address hereunder by giving written notice of such change to the other party in the manner provided above.

If to the EMM: Potomac Economics, Ltd. 9990 Fairfax Boulevard, Suite 560 Fairfax, VA 22030 Tel: (703) 383 6270 Fax: (703) 383 0796 Email: dpatton@potomaceconomics.com

If to ISO-NE: ISO New England Inc. One Sullivan Road Holyoke, MA 01040-2841 ATT: General Counsel Tel: 413-535-4000 Fax: 413-535-4379 Email: mgulluni@iso-ne.com

Section 9.3. Survival. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement, regardless of any investigation or due diligence inquiry that may have been made on behalf of the party for whose benefit the representations, warranties and covenants were made.

Section 9.4. Further Assurances. The parties agree to cooperate with and assist each other and take such action as may be reasonably necessary to implement and carry into effect this Agreement to its full extent.

Section 9.5. Counterparts. This agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement.

Section 9.6. Independent Contractor. The parties to this Agreement are each an independent contractor as to the other and shall not be considered or deemed to be an agent, employee, joint venturer or partner of the other. Neither party shall have authority to contract for or bind the other in any manner and shall not represent itself as an agent of the other or as otherwise authorized to act for or on behalf of the other.

Section 9.7. Waiver. Any term or provision of this Agreement may be waived only in writing by the party or parties who are entitled to the benefits being waived. No waiver by any party shall operate as a waiver of any future exercise of that right, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right hereunder preclude any other or future exercise of that right or any other right hereunder. All rights and remedies evidenced hereby are in addition to and cumulative to rights and remedies available at law.

Section 9.8. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts without (i) reference to the choice of law principles thereof, or (ii) regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the party drafting or causing this Agreement to be drafted. Any action

commenced with respect to this Agreement shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to which the parties hereby consent.

Section 9.9. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and Exhibits contain the entire agreement between the EMM and ISO-NE with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersede all prior agreements, negotiations and representations, written or oral, as of the date of this Agreement. Except as provided herein, there are no conditions, representations, warranties, undertakings or agreements between the parties whether direct, indirect, collateral, express or implied. No supplement, modification or waiver of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by both parties.

Section 9.10. Number and Gender. Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing gender include both genders.

Section 9.11. Headings. The Article and Section headings contained herein are included solely for convenience, are not intended to be full or accurate descriptions of the contents thereof and shall not be considered part of this Agreement or to affect the interpretation hereof.

Section 9.12. Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement or any covenant herein contained shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision or covenant hereof or herein contained and any such invalid or unenforceable provision or covenant shall be deemed severed.

Section 9.13. Force Majeure. Neither the EMM nor ISO-NE shall be liable to each other for any delay or failure to perform its obligations hereunder due to strikes, labor disputes, riots, storms, floods, explosions, acts of God or war (a "Majeure Event"). Each party shall give to the other party notice in writing promptly after such party becomes aware of any such delay as a result of a Majeure Event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this EMM Services Agreement as of the date first written above.

POTOMAC ECONOMICS, LTD.

By:

David Patton President

ISO NEW ENGLAND INC.

By:_

Robert C. Ludlow Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Compliance Officer

<u>EXHIBIT A</u>

SCOPE OF WORK

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in the Agreement or this Scope of Work shall have the meanings set forth in the Tariff. As set forth in Section III.A.1.2 of the Tariff, any limitation or modification to this Scope of Work shall be subject to the prior approval of FERC.

A. Relationship with ISO-NE

The EMM reports directly to the Markets Committee of the ISO-NE Board of Directors. David Patton, or an acceptable designee when he is unavailable (which the parties agree shall not occur more than twice per year barring exceptional circumstances), shall attend all meetings of the Markets Committee to report on the EMM's work, and participate in preparatory meetings with ISO-NE staff before each Markets Committee meeting. The EMM shall submit to the Office of the General Counsel for distribution to the Markets Committee, eight (8) days in advance of each regularly-scheduled meeting of the Markets Committee or at such other interval as the parties may agree, a document in a form to be agreed by the parties that outlines the EMM's reaction to the IMM's data analysis.

B. Required Functions of the External Market Monitor Per the Tariff

The EMM shall continue to meet the obligations set forth in Appendix A of the Tariff (Section III.A). These obligations include, but are not limited to:

1. <u>Review of Market Competitiveness and Design</u>: As set out in Section III.A.2.2 of the Tariff, the EMM shall review the competitiveness of the markets. Without limitation, this review shall include proposed market rule changes that are identified by ISO-NE. The EMM shall comment on market designs and filings under development, and make recommendations to improve the competitiveness of the markets and the efficiency of trade between regions.

To facilitate the fulfillment of this responsibility:

- the ISO will provide proposed market designs to the EMM for review, and, following
 ongoing consultation between the ISO and EMM, the EMM will respond with a final
 written opinion on the design within a reasonable time frame that has been agreed
 upon by the EMM and the ISO.
- the IMM will provide the EMM with its monthly, quarterly and annual market performance reports for the EMM's review and comment.

2. <u>Reporting</u>: The EMM shall continue to make the reports described in Appendix A of the Tariff. Without limitation, as set out in Section III.A.17.3 of the

Tariff, these reports will include annual reports on the overall competitiveness and efficiency of the markets, including the activities of the ISO and Market Participants and the effectiveness of Section III.A of the Tariff. Ad hoc reports referenced in Appendix A of the Tariff are not included this Scope of Work, but are included as Other Services under this Agreement. It is anticipated that a significant element of the EMM's annual report will be a comparison of the functioning of the New England markets with other U.S. electricity markets. The EMM will coordinate its annual report with the IMM's annual report.

3. <u>Mitigation Review</u>: As set out in Section III.A.2.2(d) of the Tariff, the EMM will continue to monitor and review the quality and appropriateness of the mitigation conducted by the IMM.

4. <u>Referrals to Enforcement</u>: The EMM shall continue to make referrals to the Commission and to other relevant authorities as required in Appendix A. Without limitation, as set out in Sections III.A.19 and III.A.20 of the Tariff, the EMM will refer any suspected Market Violation by either ISO-NE or a Market Participant that warrants investigation, any suspected market design flaw, or any problem with the quality or appropriateness of market power mitigation.

C. Data and Security

As required by the Tariff, the parties agree that the EMM shall have reasonable access to ISO-NE's data and personnel, including ISO-NE management responsible for market monitoring, operations and billing and settlement functions. The EMM shall have the ability to receive ISO-NE's data in a secure manner, as discussed in more detail in Section 6.8 of the Agreement. In particular, the EMM shall: (i) maintain administrative, technical and physical safeguards, including proper information disposal procedures; (ii) at least annually review and update its security procedures; and (iii) prepare a written business continuity plan that includes a disaster recovery plan. ISO-NE shall be entitled to review the EMM's security measures and related audit results, and shall have the right to evaluate the EMM's physical and logical security itself.

EXHIBIT B

PERSONNEL

| Personnel (with 20202023 hourly rate): | | | |
|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| David Patton | \$ 555<u>640</u> | | |
| Pallas LeeVanSchaick | \$4 <u>30490</u> | | |
| Jason Fogarty | \$480 | | |
| Robert Sinclair | \$ <u>410</u> 470 | | |
| Michael Wander | \$370 | | |
| Jason Fogarty | <u>\$420</u> | | |
| Michael Chiasson | \$ 395<u>460</u> | | |
| Junaid Khan | \$320 | | |
| Michael Wander | \$445 | | |
| Jie Chen | \$ 375<u>4</u>30 | | |
| Matthew Carrier | \$ 375<u>430</u> | | |
| Raghavender Palavadi Naga- | \$360 | | |
| Carrie Milton | \$ 350<u>405</u> | | |
| Junaid Khan | \$355 | | |
| John Patton | \$ 315 365 | | |
| Emilson Antonio | \$310 | | |
| Diane Kearney | \$ 295 <u>330</u> | | |
| Santosh Panchal | \$325 | | |
| Daniel Goodman | \$335 | | |
| Joe Coscia | \$350 | | |
| Michael Marino | <u>\$365</u> | | |
| Paul Allen | \$ 270 <u>325</u> | | |
| Arjun Garg | \$250 | | |
| Deric Tilson | \$315 | | |
| David Loungani | \$300 | | |
| Yong Tang | \$ 250 280 | | |
| Tao Qin | \$ <u>270</u> | | |
| Han Su | \$270 | | |
| Chris McCabe | <u>\$</u> 240 | | |
| Taylor Martin | \$310 | | |
| Connor Waldoch | | | |
| Pratik Mehta | | | |
| Emilson Antonio | \$250 | | |

EXHIBIT C

REIMBURSEMENT RATES

Expenses shall be reimbursed by ISO-NE at 100% of cost, and mileage shall be reimbursed at the standard imposed by the IRS. Reimbursements for expenses shall not exceed 10% of the total fees for Services paid by ISO-NE pursuant to Section 3.1.

The parties agree that overnight travel shall be limited as follows:

- The Consultant will use best efforts to secure lowest cost airline fares.
- The Consultant will consult with ISO-NE (telephone or email consultations are acceptable) regarding each trip to discuss the minimization of expenses.
- All Invoices will include Purchase Order Number, and will be sent to Accounts Payable. Detailed ReceiptsDetailed receipts will be provided for all meals and any charges of \$10.00 or more.
- Hotels and Meals will be capped based on GSA Rates. Meals for any day while working in Holyoke-will not exceed \$51.00. (the current GSA Standard.)Standards for any day. ISO does not reimburse for alcoholic beverages.

Preferred Hotels

ISO-NE has negotiated special rates at the following local hotels:

The "D" Hotel (formerly Country Inn) Northampton St., Holyoke, MA

Phone: (413-) 533-2100 Fax: (413-) 539-9761

| ISO-NE Rate: \$ 89.00 Per/Night, free parkingFree Parking | | -(| Formatted: Font: Bold |
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| www.stayattheD.com | | -{ | Formatted: Font: 10 pt |
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Homewood Suites by Hilton

Holyoke/Springfield-North 375 Whitney Ave, Holyoke, MA 01040 Phone (413) 532-3100 ___Fax (413) 532-3150 ISO New England Rate \$129139/night studio/1 bedroom suite; \$159/night 2 queen bed/king 1 bedroom superior suite, free parkingFree Parking ISO-NE Corp ID # 0002636600002653660

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