

**Exhibit 12**  
**Proof of Approved SRIS**



# New York Independent System Operator

## OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 27, 2007  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Teleconference

### Final Minutes

#### **I. Introductions**

Mr. John McAvoy, Chairperson of the Operating Committee (OC), called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and welcomed the members of the Operating Committee.

#### **II. Consideration of approval of the following System Reliability System Impact Studies:**

Mr. Corey noted that each of the SRIS reports have been reviewed by NYISO staff and TOs. At the February 20 special TPAS meeting, TPAS voted to recommend for approval all of the following SRISs. A few SRISs were recommended with conditions; Mr. Corey will point out those that are conditional and will verify if the conditions for approval have been met since the February 20 meeting.

##### **▪ 2.1 Jericho Rise (Burke) Wind Farm**

Mr. Pappas asked about compliance with NPCC A-3 requirements. Mr. Pappas cited the inconsistency among the projects in meeting the NPCC A-3 requirements and expressed concern over the same. Mr. Corey noted that developers associated with each project were participating in this conference call; where word "assumed" was used in reference to compliance, Mr. Corey will have the developers stipulate their compliance. The developer for the Jericho Rise (Burke) Wind Farm stipulated compliance.

##### **▪ 2.2 Alabama Ledge (Batavia) Wind Farm**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions. Mr. Doyle affirmed that the project will meet NPCC A-3 requirements

##### **▪ 2.3 Wethersfield Windfield 230kV**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions. Mr. Sampson confirmed the project's compliance with NPCC A-3 requirements.

▪ **2.4 Allegany Windfield**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions. Mr. Sampson affirmed the project will meet NPCC A-3 requirements.

▪ **2.5 Howard Wind**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions.

▪ **2.6 Clayton Wind**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions.

Mr. Corey stated that the Developer has agreed to make changes to the SRIS report to clarify the impact of the Clayton project on elements already overloaded in the base case due to the St. Lawrence project, a higher queued project located in the same area. The report will discuss dispatch options to mitigate the thermal overloads. A discussion of the Clayton Wind SRIS took place. NYISO stated that the Clayton Wind SRIS should be considered on same basis as other projects under the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard. Mr. Shields confirmed that the project will meet NPCC A-3 requirements.

There was further discussion regarding whether system upgrades should be required to resolve a congestion issue. Mr. Corey stated that this is a general issue that would affect any generation project, not just wind generation projects. Mr. Corey reiterated that, under the NYISO Minimum Interconnection Standard, system upgrades are not required to mitigate congestion. Karen Gach clarified that any operational limits related to congestion would be addressed through generally-applicable procedures in the NYISO tariffs or a project's interconnection agreement.

▪ **2.7 Canandaigua II**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions.

▪ **2.8 Clinton II Windfield**

Mr. Corey noted that this is an expansion project the NYISO and TPAS recommended for conditional approval. The conditional approval was based on additional contingencies being evaluated, which has since been met. The developer confirmed that the project will meet NPCC A-3 requirements.

▪ **2.9 Bliss II Windfield**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions.

▪ **2.10 Ellenburg II Windfield**

NYISO and TPAS had given conditional approval for this project pending evaluation of additional contingencies. The conditions have been met and the project is now recommended for approval without conditions.

▪ **2.11 Ithaca Transmission Project**

NYISO and TPAS recommend for approval without conditions.

▪ **2.12 St. Lawrence Wind Farm**

NYISO and TPAS had given conditional approval for this project pending further review of the SRIS by NYISO and TOs. NYISO staff recommends approval of this SRIS based upon NYISO comments and those of National Grid. TPAS's conditions have been met.

Mr. Coleman affirmed the project's compliance with NPCC A-3 requirements.

▪ **2.13 Chateaugay Windpark**

NYISO and TPAS had given conditional approval for this project pending satisfactory completion of review by NYISO and TOs. Mr. Smith stated that the NYISO review has been completed and NYISO now recommends approval. A question was raised regarding when the project will be operational. The approval is contingent upon the operational date being corrected in the SRIS.

Tony Coleman made a motion to approve items 2.1 through 2.13. The motion was seconded by Ms. Strauss.

**Motion #1**

Motion to approve the SRIS Studies for the Jericho Rise (Burke) Wind Farm; Alabama Ledge (Batavia) Wind Farm; Wethersfield Windpark230kV; Allegany Windfield; Howard Wind Project; Clayton Wind Project; Canandaigua II Wind Farm Project; Clinton II Windfield; Bliss II Windpark; Ellenburg II Windfield Project; Ithaca Transmission Project; St. Lawrence Wind Farm; and Chateaugay Windpark.

*Motion approved with two abstentions: PSEG and Tim Bush for Bath Electric, Gas & Water Systems; Lake Placid Village; Municipal Commission of Boonville; Plattsburgh Municipal Lighting Dept.; Village of Arcade; Village of Fairport; Village of Solvay; and the Village of Westfield.*

The next regularly scheduled OC meeting will be held on March 8, 2007.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ernie Cardone  
NYISO Committee Liaison