

# **Greening the Grid** Challenges & Opportunities

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# **Roles of the NYISO**



Reliable operation of the bulk electricity grid

Managing the flow of power on 11,000 circuit-miles of transmission lines from more than 300 generating units

Administration of open and competitive wholesale electricity markets

Bringing together buyers and sellers of energy and related products and services

Planning for New York's energy future

 Assessing needs over a 10-year horizon and evaluating projects proposed to meet those needs

Advancing the technological infrastructure of the electric system

 Developing and deploying information technology and tools to make the grid smarter

## **NYS Energy Trends**

#### Actual & Forecast: 2000-2023



# **Aging Transmission**



## **Congestion Corridors**



#### New York Energy Highway Blueprint

estimates that costeffective upgrades along these congested corridors could provide **1,000 MW of additional transmission capacity** between upstate and downstate New York

Source: New York Independent System Operator 2011 CARIS Phase 1 Report, March 2012

# New York Energy Highway



ff We can build a new energy system across our entire State.

Governor's initiative includes 3,200 MW of new generation and transmission funded by public/private investment of up to \$5.7 billion

## **Smart Grid Investments**

- Smart Grid NY Project included installation of new statewide Phasor Measurement Unit (PMU) network
- PMU data enhances grid operator ability to see and respond to developing issues



- PMU technology relays system conditions 60 times per second -- 360 times faster than previously available
- PMU data from across a broad geographic area can be readily compared to detect system anomalies that could possibly evolve into more serious system events

## **Fuel of the Future?**

#### Electricity generation by fuel: 1990-2040

(trillion kilowatt-hours per year)



SOURCE: U.S. Energy Information Administration Annual Energy Outlook 2013 Early Release - December 2012

### **Fuel Mix**



#### **Generation Vintages**

Average Age of Generating Facilities in NYS and U.S.



SOURCE: SNL Financial, December 26, 2012

## **Proposed Generation**

#### **Proposed Power Projects**

(New York Independent System Operator Interconnection Study Queue, March 31, 2013)



# Wind Power in New York

#### Installed Capacity: 2003-2013



#### Energy Generated: 2003-2012



### **Renewable Resources**

- Conventional generating resources
  - Relatively stable, schedulable, controllable
- Renewable energy resources
  - Variable, output significantly influenced by weather and geography
- Grid operating procedures and market rules were originally designed around conventional generation
- Integrating renewable resources requires enhanced forecasting, improved visibility of output and changes in market design that recognize unique attributes of wind, solar and other renewable resources







## **Wind Market Innovations**

- 2006 NYISO exempts wind from undergeneration penalties as a variable energy resource
- 2008 NYISO establishes centralized wind forecasting system established
- 2009 NYISO integrates wind into Economic Dispatch system (*First in nation*)

#### Growing wind in NY...

- Wind-powered generating capacity in NY grew from 48 MW in 2005 to 1,634 MW in 2013
- 2010 wind integration study found that ~8,000 MW of wind could be interconnected without adverse reliability impacts



## **Solar in the Markets**

- In NYISO energy markets, solar resources are:
  - Exempted from under-generation penalties and compensated fully for all energy production
- Future considerations for solar resources in the energy market expected to parallel wind integration initiatives:
  - Meteorological data collection requirements
  - Solar power production forecasts
  - Integrating solar resources into economic dispatch



#### Grid-scale solar in NY...

The largest photovoltaic array in the eastern US is the 32-MW Long Island Solar Farm at Brookhaven National Laboratory – completed in Nov. 2011

## **Regional Integration of Renewable Resources**

#### Broader Regional Markets

- Address "seams" between regional markets and grid operations
- Collaborative effort NYISO, PJM Interconnection, Midwest ISO, ISO-New England, Ontario's Independent System Operator and Hydro Quebec
- More frequent scheduling can facilitate better regional integration of variable, renewable resources



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## Distributed Energy Resources

- "Behind-the-Meter" & "Off-Grid" applications
  - Smaller Solar PV
  - Electric Vehicles
  - Combined Heat & Power
  - Micro-Grids







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