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July 15, 2022

Hon. Michelle Phillips
Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Case 20-E-0197 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Implement
Transmission Planning Pursuant to the Accelerated Renewable Energy Growth
and Community Benefit Act.

Dear Secretary Phillips:

Materials for the virtual technical conference planned for July 19, 2022 are enclosed. A link to the presentations and a recording of the conference will be available on the Coordinated Grid Planning Working Group webpage following the conference: <https://on.ny.gov/3LOMzy5>. Conference participants are encouraged to submit questions on these materials and the conference topic of the proposed Energy Policy Planning Advisory Council (EPPAC) in advance to Jalila.Aissi@dps.ny.gov. More information about the conference is available in the Notice of Technical Conference available [here](#).

Sincerely,

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Coordinated Grid Planning Process (CGPP): Energy Policy Planning Advisory Council (EPPAC)

July 19, 2022, 1:00pm



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Agenda

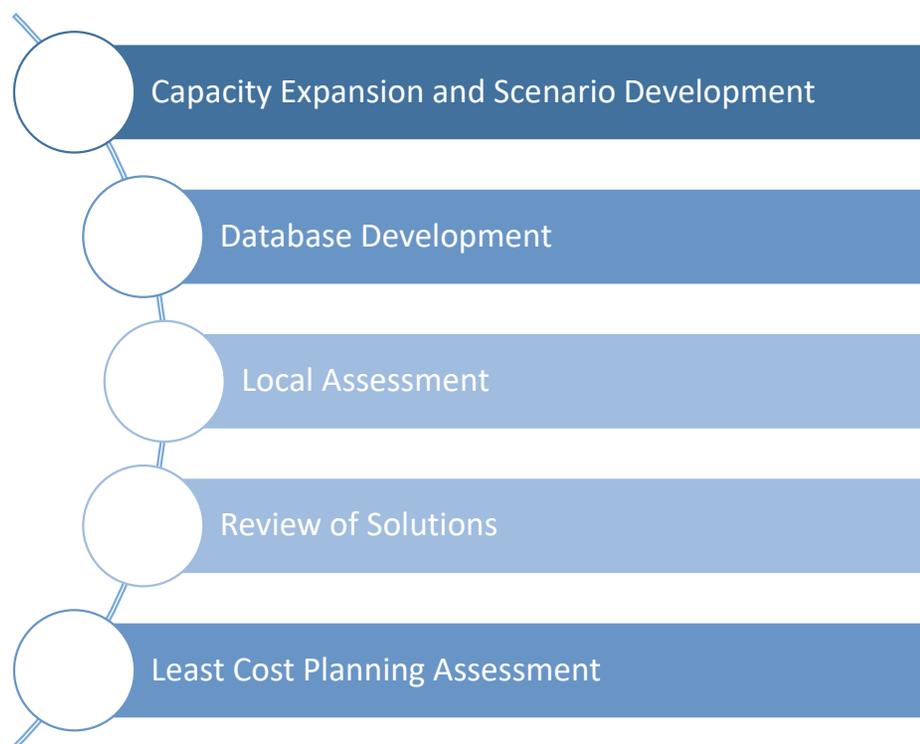
- Context Setting (CGPP Overview)
- The Role of the Energy Policy Planning Advisory Council (EPPAC)
- EPPAC Composition
- Timing of EPPAC Involvement in the CGPP
- Next Steps, Q&A

Context Setting: The Utilities welcome feedback from stakeholders

- Today's discussion will focus on stakeholder engagement in the CGPP process: the EPPAC
 - The Utilities' plans for the CGPP remain in development
 - This series of Technical Conferences is an effort to gather stakeholder input and feedback
- *Note:*
 - The period for submitting comments re: the CGPP is open through December 21, 2022
 - The Utilities plan to submit a revised plan for the CGPP on January 1, 2023

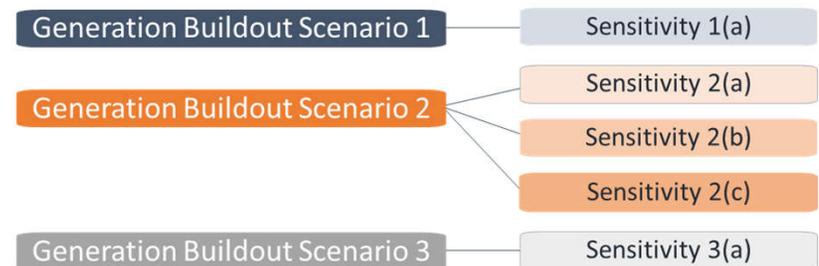
Recap: Objectives of the CGPP

- The goal of the Coordinated Grid Planning Process (CGPP) is to identify expansion of the local transmission and distribution systems that can help unlock renewable capacity and energy for the purpose of meeting New York State clean energy goals (*i.e.*, the CLCPA mandates)
- CGPP will serve as the basis for the statewide integrated resource planning process



Stakeholders will provide insights on modeling approaches in the EPPAC

- The role of the EPPAC is to:
 - Evaluate the modeling assumptions that form the basis of assumptions behind the planning models used to design the system to achieve 70 x 30 and 100 x 40 objectives
 - Direct the evaluation of up to three distinct generation build-out scenarios*
 - Inform the need for analysis of sensitivities that may be run on each of the three principal scenarios (*i.e.*, to inform other needs)
 - Review draft materials that will feed into a report on the CGPP's conclusions in each successive cycle
- The Utilities propose that DPS Staff, NYSERDA, or a Staff-selected consultant would continue to coordinate and host the EPPAC discussions
 - The EPPAC is intended to be independent and stakeholder-led



*As discussed in the June 15 Capacity Expansion Tech Conference, this is required to maintain the current CGPP cycle of 18-24 months

EPPAC Composition

- In the December 17, 2021 filing the Utilities proposed the creation of the EPPAC as the new, technical advisory council attached to the CGPP process.
- The recommended composition is as follows;

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| DPS | NY-BEST | Downstate Utility* |
| NYISO | NYSEIA | Munis |
| NYPA | ACE-NY | Competitive Transmission |
| LIPA | UIU | IPPNY |
| NYSERDA | NYC OCS | Advanced Tech |
| ORES | Upstate Utility* | Environmental Justice** |

* Proposing a Change to include all Utilities

**No Current Representative

“This new stakeholder forum, the Energy Policy Planning Advisory Council (EPPAC), will consist of a representative and an alternate from each utility, DPS Staff, NYISO, NYSERDA, renewable generation and storage associations, the power authorities, and environmental justice community associations.”

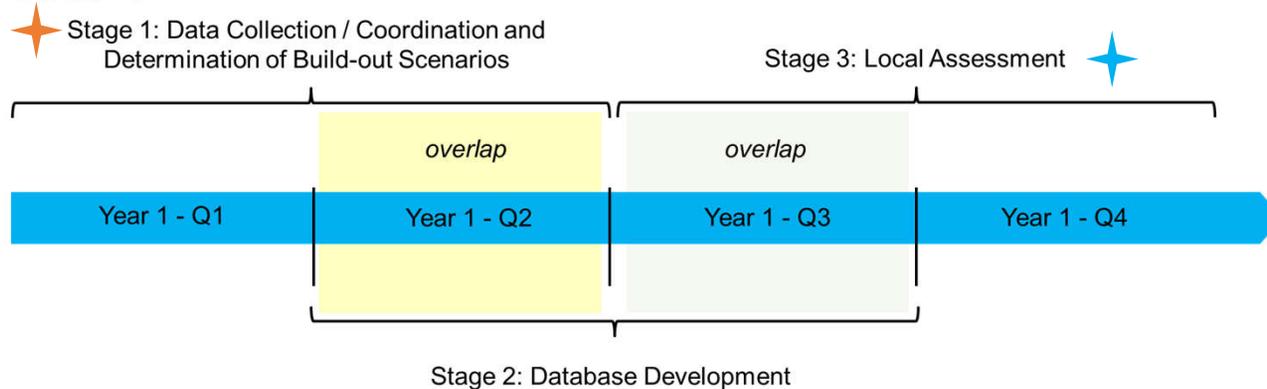
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EPPAC Composition (cont.)

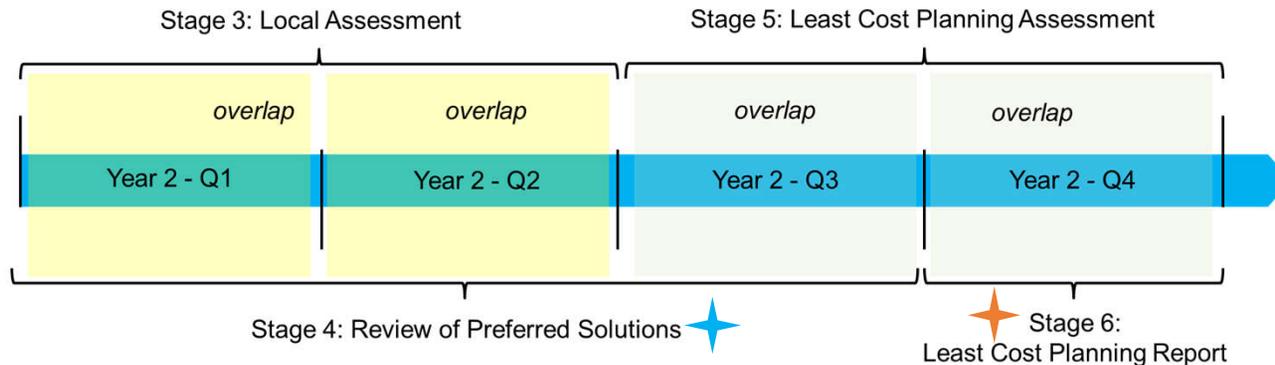
- The stakeholder committee is currently providing feedback on the Utilities' plan to develop the CGPP process to be filed by January 1, 2023
- The existing stakeholder committee role and composition will continue/evolve into the EPPAC
 - Once the CGPP is approved by the Commission the Utilities envision that the stakeholder committee/EPPAC will focus on technical approach to the CGPP's analysis
- The Utilities are proposing that DPS staff coordinate the process for the addition and removal of EPPAC members

Timing of EPPAC Involvement, Guidance, and Influence

Year 1



Year 2



- The Utilities are currently developing the timing of the CGPP
- The schedule is subject to change

Feedback/Input: 

Status Update: 

Q&A



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