Carbon Pricing in New York

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Carbon Pricing in Wholesale Energy Markets:

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NYISO by the numbers

NYISO Footprint

435
Market Participants

11,173
11,173 circuit miles of transmission managed and monitored

161,114
161,114 total electric energy usage, in GWh, for 2018

Supply & Demand

33,956
33,956 record peak demand, in MW, July 2013

700+
700+ power generating units

26%
26% of electric energy from renewables in 2018
Tale of Two Grids

2018 Regional Energy Production Profiles

UPSTATE ENERGY PROFILE (zones A-E)
- 87%
- 11%
- <1%
- 2%

DOWNSTATE ENERGY PROFILE (zones F-K)
- 70%
- 27%
- <1%
- 2%

Energy Produced from:
- Fossil Fuel
- Zero Emission
- Hydro Pumped Storage
- Other Renewables
Challenge to Harmonize Markets with Public Policy
Wholesale Market Evolution Critical for Clean Energy Goals

New York State Climate Leadership & Community Protection Act (2019)

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NYISO on the Leading Edge of the Energy Transition

NYISO employs six initiatives to address the evolving nature of New York’s electricity grid as renewables and distributed energy resources place new demands on electricity markets and grid operations.

1. Market Design & Operational Reliability
2. Efficient Markets for a Grid in Transition
3. New Resource Integration
4. Harmonization With Public Policy
5. Technology and Infrastructure Investment
6. Efficient and Flexible Business Model

- Grid Reliability and Resilience
- Investment Environment
- Reliability & Transmission Planning Processes
- Governance & Stakeholder Process
- Security & Technology Innovation
Integrating Markets and Public Policy through Carbon Pricing
Carbon Pricing Proposal

- On December 7, 2018, the NYISO released the IPPTF Carbon Pricing Proposal outlining a potential design for incorporating the cost of carbon emissions into the wholesale electricity markets.
  - In 2019, the NYISO and its stakeholders finalize the design.
- The proposal aims to incorporate the cost of carbon, as established by the New York Public Service Commission, in a manner that:
  - Is economically efficient,
  - Avoids major cost shifts among New York customers,
  - Is transparent, and
  - Provides market/regulatory stability

Link to the IPPTF Carbon Pricing Proposal: https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/3911819/Carbon-Pricing-Proposal%20December%202018.pdf/72fe5180-ef24-f700-87e5-fb6f300fb82c
Stakeholder Process

- The design and associated tariff measures were developed with stakeholders through the NYISO’s stakeholder process.
- The complete design can be found in the presentation to the Business Issue Committee (BIC) June 20, 2019
  - Additional background presentations can be found in the ICAP/MWIG and IPPTF materials
## Motivation for Carbon Pricing

### Provide a market-oriented approach to bridge state policies and the NYISO markets
- Lessens the impact of negative energy pricing from renewables as penetration increases
- Lessens pressure for out-of-market incentives for non-renewable resources

### Provide transparent price signals reflecting carbon externality
- Helps achieve New York State (NYS) decarbonization goals efficiently
- Aligns commitment and dispatch with state policy goals
- Signals investment for reducing carbon, including innovative solutions beyond the NYS Clean Energy Standard
- Fine-tunes solutions with granular prices (e.g., siting of new renewables, storage operation)
Energy Market Operations with Carbon Charges

- **Market participants** submit supply offers inclusive of their estimated carbon charges.
- **NYISO** minimizes production costs subject to system constraints using commitment and dispatch software.
- **NYISO** charges loads and credits suppliers for energy.
- **NYISO** accounts for carbon charges to suppliers and residuals to load (subject to true-ups).
Study of Effectiveness of the Carbon Pricing Proposal

- Post CLCPA: Analysis Group’s report
  - The focus is on how New York can best accomplish its goals and meet the Act’s mandates for reducing GHG emissions in its power sector and its broader economy.
  - The Report examines how NYISO’s proposed carbon-pricing mechanism can help the State meet its new statutory requirements more broadly, efficiently, and effectively.
## Incremental value proposition of a NYISO carbon-pricing mechanism: Summary

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<th>Outcome</th>
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<td>State policy leadership</td>
<td>Can be exported to other states and regions, supporting New York’s market approach.</td>
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<td>Speed of adoption</td>
<td>Can be implemented relatively quickly.</td>
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<td>Accelerated entry of renewable projects</td>
<td>Will increase the opportunity for financing of clean energy resources to enter the market in the absence of a long-term REC contract.</td>
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<td>Incentives for innovation</td>
<td>Will increase incentives for entrepreneurs and others to develop new supply-side and demand-side technologies, products and services.</td>
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<td>Incentives for energy efficiency and other customer-based actions</td>
<td>Has the potential to improve over time price signals to consumers reflecting the full costs of using electricity, and influence consumer access to and use of demand-management technology and practices.</td>
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<td>Incentives for efficient transmission investments</td>
<td>Will create strong incentives for cost-effective investment in increased transfer capability between upstate and downstate.</td>
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<td>Acceleration of fossil retirements and reduced use of natural gas</td>
<td>Will put financial pressure on existing inefficient fossil units to retire and reduce use of fossil fuels, especially in downstate NY areas. It will also drive increased efficiencies in remaining fossil generation.</td>
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<td>Compatibility with other policy instruments</td>
<td>Can be a seamless complement to other state policies (e.g., energy efficiency, REC and ZEC contracting), by providing a means to value low-carbon investment and operations in the electric system.</td>
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<td>Ability to harmonize policy and markets</td>
<td>Will internalize the cost of GHG emissions into the electric markets, and improve the performance of the wholesale market.</td>
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<td>Alignment with wholesale market design</td>
<td>Will support the efficient operations of the NYISO markets.</td>
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<td>Consumer cost impacts</td>
<td>Can provide an improved market design, aligned with the state’s carbon-reduction goals, to produce savings to consumers.</td>
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<td>Public health impacts</td>
<td>Will reduce local air pollution there in downstate New York</td>
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<td>Impacts on disadvantaged communities</td>
<td>Will reduce emissions in downstate Environmental Justice areas.</td>
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<td>Limitation of leakage of CO₂ emissions to other regions</td>
<td>Will limit leakage due to the proposal’s treatment of emissions related to cross-boundary electricity flows.</td>
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<td>Revenue streams to public entities</td>
<td>Will increase revenues to NYPA as a power provider in the NYISO markets.</td>
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What Comes Next?

- The proposal has proceeded through in the NYISO stakeholder process, and now awaits support from New York State.
- If supported by New York State and ultimately approved by stakeholders, the NYISO Board of Directors and FERC, Carbon Pricing in the wholesale markets would be implemented.
Additional Resource

- https://www.nyiso.com/carbonpricing
  - Includes links to the Analysis Group Key Findings Summary and full Analysis Group Report, the IPPTF Carbon Pricing Proposal and the Brattle NY Carbon Study
Our mission, in collaboration with our stakeholders, is to serve the public interest and provide benefit to consumers by:

• Maintaining and enhancing regional reliability
• Operating open, fair and competitive wholesale electricity markets
• Planning the power system for the future
• Providing factual information to policymakers, stakeholders and investors in the power system