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GENERAL INFORMATION

63. DIRECT LOAD CONTROL PROGRAM

Purpose: The Direct Load Control Program is being offered by the Company in response to the Commission's order in Case 14-E-0423. This Program will allow the Company to remotely control the customer's Control Device to reduce the customer's load during an Event. Customers participating in this Program must install a Company controlled device and will receive a one-time sign up payment once the device is installed, and may receive an annual incentive as specified in Rule 63.6.

- Eligible Customers must be served under Service Classification Nos. 1, 1C, 2, 3, 3A, 4, 7, or 12, served at secondary and primary voltage level only. Customers must be physically located in a Company Designated Area to be eligible for participation in this Program.
- 63.2 **Definitions** the following terms are defined for purposes of this Program only:

"Capability Period" is the period from May 1 through September 30 of any Program year, during which the Company can remotely control the participating customer's equipment.

"Company Designated Area" is an area, designated by the Company, which is an electrically distressed part of the electric distribution system. Company Designated Areas will be published on the Company's website.

"Control Device" is a device installed on the customer's load controllable equipment via a smart plug or embedded control that allows the Company to remotely control the equipment when an Event is called. For purposes of this Program, Control Device means one or more devices as may be required to control the equipment. Each Control Device contains a feature that allows the customer to override the Company's control of the customer's equipment. The Control Device must be provided, installed, and connected to the Internet by the Company or its designated contractor, or it must be installed and connected to the Internet by the customer who enrolled in the Program through a Service Provider.

An "Event" may be declared by the Company when:

- 1) The NYISO declares an emergency in conjunction with an in-day peak hour forecast response to an operating reserve peak forecast shortage or in response to a major state of emergency as defined in Rule 3.2 of the NYISO Emergency Operations Manual, or at the NYISO's discretion to relieve system or zonal emergencies;
- 2. The NYISO activates its Special Case Resources Program in response to a forecast peak operating reserve shortfall; or
- The Company determines that a Company Designated Area peak may occur and/or 3) Company identified stressed equipment will exceed its limits.

"Service Provider" means a provider registered with, and approved by, the Company to develop, maintain, and operate a communications portal that enables Internet-connected Control Devices to participate under this Program. A list of current Service Providers is available on the Company's website.