

**CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S DATA REQUEST NO. 1
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- Q.** (Volume I, Page 22, Lines 1-5) Please describe in detail what the stressed system conditions are in Maine, New Hampshire, New Brunswick, the rest of New England, and areas not mentioned but outside of New England like New York and Quebec.
- A.** Three assumptions are used to stress the transmission system in the MPRP analysis: load level, generator dispatch conditions, and transmission interface transfers. These assumptions are described in detail in Exhibit I-1, Section 4 – Base Case Development.
- Load level was analyzed at summer peak load with a 90/10 assumption on the probability that the peak load for 2017 would be exceeded.
 - Six different generator dispatch conditions were used to assess different operating possibilities in Maine.
 - Three different transmission interface flows on the 1) New Brunswick to New England Interface, 2) New England to New York Interface and 3) Y138 Phase Angle Regulator flow between Saco Valley and White Lake, New Hampshire were assumed.

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