

IESO Quarterly Stakeholder Engagement Update



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Stakeholder Advisory Committee Update

The members of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee presented the priorities for their sector of the Ontario electricity market at the March 31 meeting. Issues raised included: managing the upward pressure on prices; the impacts of the global adjustment on price signals; opportunities for demand-side management; and the need to continue to evolve electricity markets in Ontario. IESO Board members expressed their appreciation for this insight.

Members also discussed the potential models for allocating the Global Adjustment and the latest Market Surveillance Panel report.

Minutes from the meeting can be found [here](#). The next meeting is planned for August 25.

Current and Planned Consultations



Enhanced Day Ahead Commitment ([SE-87](#) and [SE-73](#))

On April 14, the Audit Committee of the IESO Board of Directors approved a release of capital funds to complete the implementation of the Enhanced Day

Ahead Commitment (EDAC) project and carry out testing. Stakeholders are currently providing input on changes to market facing systems and reports.

Details can be found at on the SE-87 page: [Enhanced Day-Ahead Commitment - I.T. Build](#).

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Upcoming Events

May 11: [Technical Panel](#)

May 13: [Wind Power Standing Committee](#)

May 19: [Inter-Jurisdictional Trading Standing Committee](#)

June 8: [Technical Panel](#)

June 11: [Enhanced Day-Ahead Commitment Project Advisory Group](#)

June 11: [Forecasts & Assessments Standing Committee](#)

June 15: [Information Technology Standing Committee](#)

July 6: [Technical Panel](#)

Refer to the [stakeholder engagement calendar](#) for additional dates.

Working Groups

Dispatchable Loads	EDAC I.T. Build Phase	Linked Wheel Economic Dispatch
EDAC Settlements Design	EDAC Combined Cycle Plants	EDAC Operations Design

Standing Committees

Reliability Standards	Information Technology	Forecasts & Assessments
Revenue Metering	Commercial Reconciliation	Inter-Jurisdictional Trading
Wind Power		

The three design working groups from SE-73 have asked for a forum for ongoing dialogue throughout the implementation phase. A Project Advisory Group has been established for consultation on important market facing milestones that will occur in 2011 such as training, development of market manuals, ability testing and scheduling for both Market Trials and in-service. Parties interested in joining these meetings will be considered upon a request to stakeholder.engagement@ieso.ca. A first meeting is planned for June 11. More details can be found [here](#).

Embedded and Renewable Generation (SE-57)



Stakeholder feedback on centralized wind data requirements, and the proposed competitive forecasting trial and funding model has been posted. The IESO will be taking these comments into consideration for market rule amendments, and in designing the project schedule.

Stakeholders will have an opportunity to review the centralized wind forecasting plan at the next meeting for this engagement, expected in the coming quarter.

This initiative also includes discussions on the management of surplus baseload conditions and the integration and operability of FIT resources.

The IESO is in discussion with the Ontario Power Authority and local distribution companies on changes to registration, technical standards, operations and settlements to accommodate the increase in renewable generation expected from the Feed-in-Tariff.

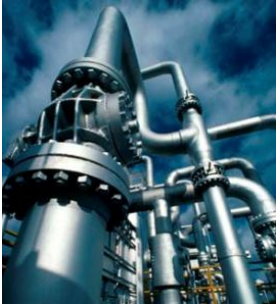
The IESO has implemented various mitigating actions and is in discussions with Non-Utility Generators to develop a formal protocol regarding shutdowns during surplus baseload generation conditions. Discussions are also continuing with the Ontario Power Authority and Renewable Energy Supply contract holders regarding their obligations.

Congestion Management Settlement Credit (CMSC) Payments for Generation Facilities (SE-84)

Generators can provide feedback on market rule amendments to allow the recovery of, or to limit, CMSC payments made to generators under specific circumstances. Feedback on the related Market Surveillance Panel (MSP) recommendation is requested before rule recommendations are brought to the Technical Panel. The plan is to have the new rules for Board approval in November.

Outcomes from Completed Consultations

[Dispatch Methodology and Processes \(SE-61\)](#)



A paper identifying possible dispatch issue solutions was posted in March and is available for review on the IESO web site at:

http://www.ieso.ca/imoweb/consult/consult_se61.asp

Two of the presented solutions (Load Predictor Update and Self-Scheduling Generation Forecast Update) will be implemented and stakeholders are invited to submit feedback, including their view on the relative priority of the various remaining solutions. The IESO will also continue to address stakeholder dispatch concerns as they relate to specific initiatives. In future, the material completed in this engagement will be used as a starting point for further development work. The status of the engagement will be reviewed in 2011.

[Real-Time and Day-Ahead Generation Cost Guarantees \(SE-80\)](#)

Market rule changes to reduce economically inefficient market outcomes associated with the real-time generation cost guarantee (GCG) program came into effect on December 9, 2009. In response to generator concerns, the IESO worked with the generator community to develop changes to the rules and eligibility requirements. These changes to both real-time and day-ahead GCG programs will be in effect until the Enhanced Day-Ahead Commitment process is implemented.

IESO Customer Survey Results

The IESO continually looks to improve the stakeholder engagement process. This year, the IESO Customer Satisfaction Survey gathered opinions from 107 customers and overall, scored very well. Two recommendations from the report were directed to the stakeholder engagement process.

Stakeholders would like to see an improvement to the relevance of topics discussed during consultation and that their comments are reaching top decision-makers and are a factor in the outcome of those decisions.

The IESO will be using this input to improve the effectiveness of the stakeholder engagement process. The full IESO 2009 Customer Satisfaction Survey can be found [here](#).