

Market Rule Amendment Proposal Form

Part 1 - Market Rule Information

Identification No.:	MR-00449-R02
Subject:	Forecasts and Assessments
Title:	Clarifications to the Market Rules (Omnibus 2021)
Nature of Proposal:	<input type="checkbox"/> Alteration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deletion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addition
Chapter:	Chapter 5
Appendix:	N/A
Sections:	7
Sub-sections proposed for amending:	7.1.5
Current Market Rules Baseline	Issue 78, Baseline 45.0, February 26, 2021

Part 2 - Proposal History

Version	Reason for Issuing	Version Date
1.0	Draft for Technical Panel Review and Comment	June 22, 2021
2.0	Posted for stakeholder review and comment	June 29, 2021

Approved Amendment Publication Date:	
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Part 3 Explanation for Proposed Amendment

Provide a brief description of the following:

- The reason for the proposed amendment and the impact on the *IESO-administered markets* if the amendment is not made.
- Alternative solutions considered.
- The proposed amendment, how the amendment addresses the above reason and impact of the proposed amendment on the *IESO-administered markets*.

Summary

Section 7 of Chapter 5 outlines how the IESO shall develop demand forecasts. To inform the development of these forecasts, distributors, connected wholesale customers and others are required to submit load forecasts to the IESO.

Since this market rule was drafted, the IESO’s load forecasting process has evolved such that the load forecasts from market participants are no longer necessary. This amendment will update the market rules to reflect the current load forecasting process where the provision of these load forecasts are no longer an obligation for market participants, but rather may be required upon request by the IESO.

As this removes an obligation for market participants, it may be considered not to meet the definition of a minor amendment. Nonetheless, as it does not impose any additional obligations on market participants and it better reflects the current load forecasting process, the IESO believes that these amendments are best achieved by inclusion into this omnibus amendment.

Background

The IESO proposes a number of market rule amendments in this year’s omnibus process. The IESO is proposing that a suite of rule amendments be considered that includes two amendments that may not be considered minor according to the defined term *minor amendment*, as they impact the obligations of some market participants. In both cases however, the impact is expected by the IESO to be non-material. As such, their inclusion in an existing amendment process will reduce the effort involved by Technical Panel members and the IESO in administering separate initiatives. These amendment proposals are included in proposal packages R01 and R02 along with a rationale in each of why they are being included in this amendment process. Proposal R00 includes the other amendments that would typically be considered minor amendments. Minor market rule amendments are defined in Chapter 11 of the market rules as: “.....an amendment to the market rules to correct a typographical or grammatical error, or to effect a change of a non-material procedural nature;”. Proposal R03 is also considered a minor amendment, as it updates terminology to reflect decisions made by the NPCC, however it is included as a separate package due to the volume of changes entailed.

Discussion

Chapter 5

Section 7.1.5 of Chapter 5 will be removed and the market participant classes referenced in 7.1.5 will be moved to section 7.1.6. Section 7.1.6 was added to the market rules in the storage design ruleset and reflects the non-obligatory nature of the forecasts from resources that contribute to load. A further edit will be required in Section 7.2.1 to reflect this change in the cross reference.

Part 4 Proposed Amendment

Chapter 5

7.1.5 ~~Each distributor, connected wholesale customer and other load-serving entity shall, for the purpose of enabling the IESO to produce the forecasts referred to in section 7.1.1, provide to the IESO the load forecasts described in the applicable market manual in such form, at such time and having such resolution as may be specified in such market manual. [Intentionally left blank – section deleted]~~

7.1.6 If required by the IESO for the purpose of enabling the IESO to produce the forecasts referred to in section 7.1.1, each distributor, connected wholesale customer, electricity storage participant or other load-serving entity shall provide to the IESO the load forecasts described in the applicable *market manual* in such form, at such time and having such resolution as may be specified in such *market manual*.

7.2 Basis for IESO Forecasts

7.2.1 The IESO shall develop forecasts of peak *demand* and *energy demand*, by area, that may be based in part on forecasts provided that are based on, but potentially differ from, the forecasts provided to it by distributors, other load-serving entities and connected wholesale customers pursuant to sections 7.1.5, and if required, 7.1.6 if required and which account for the *demands* of loads not required to make forecasts. ~~These forecasts shall be developed on an area basis, as required to meet the purposes of these forecasts.~~