

Conservation Framework Mid-term Review – Webinar #5

IESO Response to Stakeholder Feedback – January 30, 2018

The IESO held the fifth stakeholder meeting for the Conservation Framework Mid-term Review on January 30th, 2017 on Mid-term Review final report.

The IESO invited stakeholders to ask questions on the materials presented, and received questions from the following stakeholders during the webinar:

- Effective Technical Solutions Group Inc.
- Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation
- Gord Eamer Enterprises
- Rodan Energy Solutions
- Posterity Group

IESO and Navigant responses are in italics.

Stakeholder Engagement Q&A and Responses

Effective Technical Solutions Group Inc.

Is this presentation in PDF or PowerPoint going to be made available to us for review and discuss with our own teams?

This presentation is included in PDF format on the IESO Mid-term Review engagement website (link below).

<http://www.ieso.ca/sector-participants/engagement-initiatives/engagements/conservation-framework-mid-term-review>

Effective Technical Solutions Group Inc.

Why is the timeline for comments so short? Most of my efforts and work is scheduled at least two weeks out. This leaves just a short period to put something together.

Two weeks is the general timeline for providing feedback to the IESO on public documents. The official date for receipt of comments to guarantee that they are considered in the IESO recommendations is February 13. We will accept and review comments after this date, but cannot guarantee they will be considered for the final report.

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

Is solar being considered for the framework going forward (residential and industrial)?

This question is being considered under the definition of CDM. It is still under review whether solar will be included in the definition of CDM in the second half of the framework.

Gord Eamer Enterprises

One of the potential actions was to “Define CDM on an annual basis.” However, customers are asking for consistency. Could changing the definition not add to the confusion?

One of the recommendations was to establish clear criteria to be used to determine whether or not something is considered CDM. Those criteria should be consistent and un-changed. However, new technologies and measures could meet those criteria and therefore be included in the definition. The overall idea is to establish robust criteria to minimize the uncertainty around decisions that can change the definition of CDM.

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

Is there any consideration to have LDCs’ help with account coverage of the IAP customers (since in some cases there are secondary electrical connections serviced by the LDC)?

LDCs do support the IESO through introductions with industrial customers. However, we invite your written comments as to how you would recommend we should go about doing this more effectively.

Rodan Energy Solutions

Does the draft report go into much more detail regarding the specific programs and how they are working/ not working, and whether they should be carried forward/augmented/cancelled in the next Conservation Framework?

The report and the mid-term review were focused on the framework, and were not intended to focus on program-level considerations. The annual program evaluations are a source of deeper detail and analysis of programs. These were reviewed as part of the Mid-term Review.

Posterity Group

Was there any consideration that put more emphasis on demand response measures in the new framework?

Demand response was considered in relation to system planning and somewhat considered during the discussions surrounding the Conservation First Framework target and if the target should be based on

energy or peak demand. However, we did not specifically discuss the role of demand response within the framework. Another consideration is the interaction between the Conservation First Framework and the demand response auction and the possibility of demand response as part of future capacity auctions.

Rodan Energy Solutions

The Ministry has drafted legislation regarding the broad-based adoption of Green Button by 2020, and this could be instrumental to CDM programs going forward. Does Navigant see this as [beneficial] for the framework post-2020?

Green button will provide standardized access to customer data across the province, which will provide an opportunity for energy efficiency programs in the future. Green Button should be a consideration for the framework in 2020 and beyond.