

R40.1 Market Facing Preliminary Release Plan

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ID	Change Title	Application	Release Date adjustment(s)	Stakeholder & Document References	Description of Change
A1405	Replace Online Settlement Forms (ONLSF) Application	<p>Sandbox https://onlinesandbox.ieso.ca/</p> <p>Production https://online.ieso.ca/</p>			<p>Type of Change Real Time, Category 2</p> <p>Reason for Change The Online Settlement Form application is currently hosted on a hardware and software platform that is at the end of its lifecycle. The migration to Online IESO will standardize the interface used by external participants and improve settlement submission processes.</p> <p>Description of Change The IESO will be migrating the Online Settlement Data submission application from the IESO Portal to Online IESO. The IESO will be holding webinars in early October to introduce the new platform in Online IESO and discuss some enhancements.</p> <p>Expected Impact This application will be used by market participants to submit data (claims and payments) for settlement purposes. Individuals currently registered in the "Settlements Submission and Settlements Reports" and "Settlements Search and Settlements Reports" access roles will automatically be migrated to these new contact roles in both, sandbox and production. "Settlements Data and File Submitter" and "Settlements Data Viewer" will be established as the new contact roles in Online IESO.</p>

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A1406	Move the HOEP Monthly Averages Report to the Report Site	Hourly Ontario Energy Price (HOEP) Monthly Averages Report		<p>Current location of the related report: http://www.ieso.ca/en/power-data/data-directory</p> <p>IESO Report Site: http://reports.ieso.ca/public/</p> <p>Sample reports will be published to the pending software page located at http://www.ieso.ca/sector-participants/change-management/pending-changes-reports</p>	<p>Type of Change Non Real Time, Category 2</p> <p>Reason for Change The HOEP Monthly Averages report will be published to the IESO Report Site in the xml format.</p> <p>Description of Change Currently there are two CSV files that have yearly data. One is the HOEP Monthly Averages, 2002-Present file and the other is the HOEP Monthly Averages ¢/kWh file. After this change there will be one file per year, starting at year 2002. The new reports will appear on the report site under the directory, PriceHOEPAverage. PUB_PriceHOEPAverage_2018_v5.xml is an example of the report file name.</p> <p>Expected Impact The HOEP Monthly Averages Report is going to be automatically produced and published to the IESO Report Site.</p>

About the IT Release Plan

Four times a year, the IESO coordinates a release package of changes to IESO systems that will impact users outside the IESO. These changes are categorized as either

- **Category 2** change (users will have to make a functional change, such as an update to a procedure)
- **Category 3** change (users will have to modify a technical interface with an IESO system or solution)

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The [IT Release Schedule](#) provides the planned dates for each release. Dates for specific changes may differ from the calendar dates, but will be provided in the Release Plan.

- **Sandbox Implementation** is the date the change is deployed on the IESO Sandbox environment, used for testing and training
- **Production Build** is the date the change goes live. This may happen during **Real-Time Build** (for systems used to interact with the IESO-Administered Market) or **Non-Real Time Build** (for other systems used to interact with the IESO, such as those used for settlements or registration activities)

Efforts are made to minimize the impacts of system outages during planned releases. **Planned outages** are posted in advance on the IESO website's [Planned IT Outages](#) page.

For each planned release, three versions of the Release Plan are published: the **Preliminary Release Plan**, the **Target Release Plan** and the **Final Release Plan**. Any additions from the previous version of the plan are highlighted in yellow. Any items that have been removed are shown with a strike-through.

Questions or concerns about IESO Release Plans can be sent to pending.changes@ieso.ca or directed to IESO Customer Relations.