

Memorandum

To: Stakeholder Advisory Committee

From: Alexandra Campbell

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Subject: Technical Panel – Terms of Reference

Members to provide input on draft Terms of Reference for IESO Technical Panel

This memo provides an update on the efforts to align the IESO Technical Panel process with the IESO Engagement framework for the broader mandate of the IESO.

At its December 1, 2015 meeting, the Technical Panel (the Panel) was presented a draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for review and comment. The draft ToR updates the structure and process behind the Panel's duties and roles within the IESO market rule amendment process and the broader engagement framework at the IESO. Feedback was received and is posted on the TP webpage at www.ieso.ca/tp. The IESO's response to the feedback received is attached along with an amended version of the draft ToR.

The IESO agrees with the feedback received that the effectiveness of the Panel and the important role it provides in the IESO rule-making process should not be compromised or minimized. The intent of the proposed terms of reference is to provide more structure to the advice of the Panel sought by the IESO Board of Directors; to better align the Panel's responsibilities within the overall IESO stakeholder engagement processes; and to enable the Panel to effectively respond to the continuing changes that could impact the IESO-administered market.

Some feedback has cautioned the IESO about limiting the mandate of the Panel. As outlined in the attached response, the mandate of the Panel is not intended to change as part of this transition to a Terms of Reference and the IESO encourages Panel members to participate in aspects of the engagement process as they see fit.

Next steps

The IESO appreciates the feedback received to date and is working towards the following next steps:

- Present draft terms of reference for input from the Stakeholder Advisory Committee and other stakeholders at the February 10 SAC public meeting
- Submit draft ToR with input from stakeholders to IESO Board for consideration along with proposed changes to Governance & Structure By-law (G&S By-law). If endorsed by the IESO Board, post public notice of amendment to G&S by-law for comment along with draft ToR (March/April)
- Following the comment period, the IESO Board will vote on proposed changes to the G&S By-law. If adopted by the Board, proposed amendments will be filed with the Minister of Energy

Yours truly,

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