

# Demand Response Working Group (DRWG) Meeting Notes – July 18 Webinar

Date: July 18, 2017	Time: 2:00pm – 3:30pm
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## Item 1 – Improved Utilization of DR

Mark Hartland presented the IESO’s proposed changes to the standby and activation of HDR resources. The IESO previously recommended implementing “Option 4” but after considering stakeholder feedback the IESO is now proposing “Option 6”. The proposed changes allow the IESO to change the duration of a DR activation from four hours to one-up-to four hours, which will likely improve utilization of HDR resources and better align with system needs.

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**Member Questions and Comments, with the IESO's response in italics:**

A member asked will this proposal remove the requirement for a four hour activation?

*The IESO responded that HDR resources are still required to be capable of providing a four hour activation but the IESO will be able to call on that resource between one to four hours in duration.*

Another member thanked the IESO for proposing "Option 6" and is supportive of it.

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**Item 2 – Overview of Proposed Market Rule Changes**

Josh Duru presented an overview of the Market Rule changes required to facilitate the proposed HDR utilization improvements. The Market Rule change process was explained including upcoming Technical Panel and IESO Board timelines in order for this rule package to be approved by the next DR Auction in December.

**Member Questions and Comments, with the IESO's response in italics:**

No questions or concerns were raised by members.

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**Item 3 – Peaksaver Transition to DR Auction**

Jason Kwok presented the IESO's proposal on peaksaver transition strategy to the DR Auction. The IESO proposes to transition peaksaver resources to the DR Auction by modifying the DR Auction's target capacity over three years instead of one. Stakeholders have noted some factors that need to be resolved before participating in the DR Auction. Some of the factors may be addressed prior to the next Summer commitment period but others may be more challenging. The IESO asked for stakeholder feedback on the transition proposal and for residential DR providers to provide an estimate of peaksaver capacity that they could offer into the next DR Auction.

**Member Questions and Comments, with the IESO's response in italics:**

A member asked if third parties will have access to meter data.

*The IESO responded that the DRWG is the forum that stakeholders can use to discuss these matters. The IESO can facilitate these discussions by reserving time for this discussion on the agenda of the next DRWG meeting.*

Other members also stated that third party access to meter data is a barrier to participation.

A member asked what will happen to the target capacity if capacity from peaksaver is offered into the next DR Auction but doesn't clear due to economics.

*The IESO responded that peaksaver capacity will only be selected by the auction if it is competitively priced and clears the auction. The proposal commits to an annual review of peaksaver capacity over the next three years, including a discussion with stakeholders, and may result in an increase or decrease to the peaksaver modification quantity to the target capacity in the subsequent auction.*

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### **Next Steps**

Members are asked to send any feedback on the peaksaver transition by **July 28** to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca). The next scheduled DRWG is an in-person session on September 12.