

Stakeholders were asked to provide feedback on the following materials presented at the July 30, 2014 meeting:

- The proposed outage request linking features for the vendor solution
- The proposed enhancement to creating non-continuous profiles on outage requests for the vendor solution
- The final outage management process redesign overview

Feedback was received from the following stakeholders:

- Gerdau
- Ontario Power Generation (OPG)
- Portlands Energy Centre

The following pages provide stakeholder feedback in verbatim. The feedback is grouped by the questions that stakeholders were asked to provide feedback on and IESO responses and actions that will be taken are provided in italics beneath each piece of feedback.

## **1. Feedback on the proposed outage request linking features for the vendor solution (Slide 11).**

### **Ontario Power Generation:**

Will IESO outage links be available to API users? Linking, similar to conflict checking, should never limit a participant's ability to move outages but should be informational only.

*API and web client users will be unable to establish their own outage links however the links created by the IESO would be visible to both the web client and API user, along with which outage request ID numbers the outage request in question has been linked to. Two of the three linking features described at the July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting will limit a participant's ability to move outages. These linking features are:*

- *'Predecessor/Successor' Link (i.e. Outage A must occur before Outage B). In other words, the participant would be prevented from breaking this rule until the IESO removed the link.*
- *'Occurs Within' Link (i.e. Outage A must occur with/during Outage B)*

*The market participant would be prevented from breaking the rules identified above until the IESO removed the link. As discussed at the July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, the IESO will incorporate these new features into the software design 'as is' from the vendor and determine how best to use them both internally and externally (i.e with market*

participants) either during or after implementation of the new outage solution and process design. Any external impact would be subject to stakeholder review and approval.

## **2. Feedback on the proposed enhancement to creating non-continuous profiles on outage requests in the vendor solution (Slides 12-13).**

### **Ontario Power Generation:**

It appears that this feature would be available to web client users only. OPG's current outage software already contains similar capability and OPG finds this a very useful feature. With participants submitting actual start and end times can the IESO provide an example of how the new software will manage completion status on outage request with non-continuous profiles.

*This feature can only be made available for web-client users and the IESO will proceed with including the feature in the vendor software given the positive support for inclusion. An example of how the new software manages completion status on an outage request with non-continuous profiles will be provided at the August 27, 2014 SE-109 meeting.*

## **3. Feedback on the final outage management process redesign overview (Slides 14-25).**

### **Ontario Power Generation:**

#### **Outage Status & Status Transition:**

The state diagram to be provided with the requirements document should identify which state transitions are selectable by participants and which are IESO managed only.

*The IESO will have a requirements document posted on the SE109 webpage by the August 27, 2014 SE109 meeting and will include which state transitions are available to market participants and/or the IESO.*

#### **3 Day Approval Process:**

Outages that are eligible for 1 Day approval that are captured in the 3 Day approval coverage period but cannot be granted Advance Approval should not be rejected but remain active for the 1 Day approval process.

*The IESO does not support this change for the following reasons:*

- Re-evaluating rejected outages would increase IESO assessment churn under conditions that have a low probability of changing between the end of the 3 Day Adv. Approval study period and the start of the 1 Day Adv. Approval study period;*
- Software customization would be required to address what is considered to be a low risk event (i.e. low probability of low-impact outages being rejected); and*

- *The Negotiate state can be used as an alternative to rejection (i.e. IESO can work with participants to reschedule the outage without affecting priority before the end of the study period).*

#### **4. Other comments.**

##### **Gerdau:**

Gerdau can work with the recent modifications to the Outage Management Process and is looking forward to the software implementation.

##### **Portlands Energy Centre:**

We have reviewed the material and have no comments.