

Baseline Plan For Market Facing Documents Changing in Baseline: 54.0 External - Sep 10, 2025

The documents described in the plan are drafts only, (with the exception of Market Rules) and are subject to change until final review and approval, typically on the Baseline publication date. The plan is updated anytime that documents are added or revised for the current baseline.

Category 1: For your Information.

Category 2: Participants should review these changes as an update to procedures may be required.

Category 3: Participants are advised to review, due to the potential impact of this change.

Changes to the baseline plan will be redlined and appears in 'Update to Baseline' section.

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Document Title, ID#, Ver.	Intended Audience	Stakeholder History	Cat.	Description of Change
Baseline Management				
Market Manual 0.2.13 - Market Document Baseline Management MAN-141 1.1	All	MRP exemption was in place for market transition bypassing the Baseline Schedule to align with transition operations. Utilizing this custom baseline for other initiatives that cannot adhere to quarterly baseline schedule.	1	<p>Reason For Change Removing MRP exemption and introducing custom baseline process to streamline and formalize changes that occur outside the quarterly baseline schedule.</p> <p>Description of Change When Baseline Schedule cannot be followed for certain initiatives, custom baseline process will be implemented. All requirements of quarterly baseline will met but on a different schedule than published.</p> <p>Description of Impact When Baseline Schedule cannot be followed for certain initiatives, custom baseline process will be implemented. All requirements of quarterly baseline will met but on a different schedule than published.</p>
Capacity Auction				

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Market Manual 0.4.1 – Submission of Dispatch Data in the Physical Markets MAN-109 2.1	All	Update(s) presented at April 8, 2025 stakeholder engagement session. Revised version will be issued August 14, 2025 in advance of Baseline 54.0.	3	<p>Reason For Change Enabling a second intertie between Ontario and Quebec to provide more flexibility for future auctions.</p> <p>Description of Change Enabling of boundary entity resource PQ.BEAUHARNOIS.SOURCE.SBACK.01 for use as a system-backed capacity import resource in the Capacity Auction.</p> <p>Description of Impact There are no changes to processes or requirements as a result of this update.</p>
Market Manual 0.12 – Capacity Auctions MAN-125 2.1	All	Update(s) presented at July 25, 2024, September 18, 2024, November 18, 2024 and April 8, 2025 stakeholder engagement sessions. Revised version will be issued August 14, 2025 in advance of Baseline 54.0.	3	<p>Reason For Change To provide more flexibility for participants to additionally qualify a physical hourly demand response resource, which could be used to satisfy an obligation should a new dispatchable load resource not be registered within the required timeframe.</p> <p>Description of Change Process added for participants qualifying a new capacity dispatchable load resource in the Capacity Auction, to additionally qualify a physical hourly demand response resource.</p> <p>Description of Impact Formalization of an existing process.</p>
Connection Assessments				
CAA Application Form FORM-128 1.1	All	Original document was stakeholdered with the transmitter, internal groups at IESO such as legal.	3	<p>Reason For Change Minor update to CAA SIA application form. Added some section for dynamic models, load models and EMT models. Addressed some user bug fixes since the last update.</p> <p>Description of Change Minor update to CAA SIA application form. Added some section for dynamic models, load models and EMT models. Addressed some user bug fixes since the last update.</p> <p>Description of Impact Minor impact.</p>
Information & Technology Services				

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Market Manual 0.1.3 – Identity Management Operations Guide MAN-107 2.1	All	Posted for comment as part of Baseline 54.0 - September 10, 2025.	2	<p>Reason For Change</p> <p>The IESO Gateway is a critical system used by all market participants to authenticate when accessing IESO applications. To improve security and align with evolving industry standards, the IESO is removing SMS (text messaging) based multi-factor authentication (MFA) and password reset options. The decision is driven by both security and operational considerations. SMS is widely recognized as a less secure and less reliable method for authentication, and its continued use poses potential risks. Additionally, the identity provider platform is discontinuing native support for telephony-based services, including SMS.</p> <p>Description of Change</p> <p>SMS will no longer be supported as a method for multi-factor authentication (MFA) or for self-service password resets on the external identity provider used by all external users to access IESO market facing applications within the production environment on Wednesday August 27, 2025. External users will continue to have access to the following authentication and recovery options: - Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA): Okta Verify, Security Questions - Password Reset: Email-based self-service password reset This change applies to all users authenticating through the IESO Gateway.</p> <p>Description of Impact</p> <p>- Users currently relying on SMS for MFA or password resets will need to transition to one of the supported methods: Okta Verify or Security Questions before the change takes effect. - Users will no longer be able to use SMS to reset their password, and password reset via email will be the only available self-service option. - No impact is expected for users already using Okta Verify on a current device or Security Questions. - IESO Customer Relations can reset Security Questions if needed, as per section 5.1 of the IESO Gateway Guide. - To minimize disruption, users are strongly encouraged to verify and update their authentication methods ahead of the change.</p>
Operations				

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Market Manual 0.4.2 – Operation of the Day-Ahead Market MAN-110 2.1	All	Posted for public review on June 23, 2025	1	<p>Reason For Change Updated bullet in section 3.2.7 to state that the IESO shall use reasonable efforts to incorporate forced outages.</p> <p>Description of Change Updated bullet in section 3.2.7 to state that the IESO shall use reasonable efforts to incorporate forced outages.</p> <p>Description of Impact Updated bullet in section 3.2.7 to state that the IESO shall use reasonable efforts to incorporate forced outages.</p>
Registration and Compliance Support				

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Market Manual 0.1.5 – Market Registration MAN-108 2.1	All	Posted for public review on June 24, 2025.	2	<p>Reason For Change</p> <p>Applied the following two changes in section 2.2.1, Table 2-2: • Removed the requirement for prospective TR participants, virtual traders and capacity auction participants to indicate their intention in the HST Registration Number field in Online IESO, as this requirement is no longer needed. • Corrected the description for Emergency Preparedness Plan to indicate that TR participants and virtual traders are required to submit a single-page emergency preparedness plan. Only capacity auction participants are not required to submit an emergency preparedness plan.</p> <p>Description of Change</p> <p>Applied the following two changes in section 2.2.1, Table 2-2: • Removed the requirement for prospective TR participants, virtual traders and capacity auction participants to indicate their intention in the HST Registration Number field in Online IESO, as this requirement is no longer needed. • Corrected the description for Emergency Preparedness Plan to indicate that TR participants and virtual traders are required to submit a single-page emergency preparedness plan. Only capacity auction participants are not required to submit an emergency preparedness plan.</p> <p>Description of Impact</p> <p>Applied the following two changes in section 2.2.1, Table 2-2: • Removed the requirement for prospective TR participants, virtual traders and capacity auction participants to indicate their intention in the HST Registration Number field in Online IESO, as this requirement is no longer needed. • Corrected the description for Emergency Preparedness Plan to indicate that TR participants and virtual traders are required to submit a single-page emergency preparedness plan. Only capacity auction participants are not required to submit an emergency preparedness plan.</p>
System Operations				

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Market Manual 0.7.1 – IESO- Controlled Grid Operating Procedures MAN-121 2.1	All	Changes are being made to clarify how notifications the IESO provides to Market Participants are made.	1	<p>Reason For Change To add clarity regarding Extreme Conditions and Severe Weather Events and consolidate these terms into a single Conservative Operations advisory.</p> <p>Description of Change Updates have been made to section 2.4.1</p> <p>Description of Impact The IESO will be provide a Conservative Operations Advisory for advance planning rather than the two different notices currently provided.</p>