

Market Renewal: Implementation Phase

Market Renewal Program Implementation Phase Engagement Plan – December 2023

Overview

The Market Renewal Program (MRP) has advanced the objectives and goals it originally set-out by completing key milestones and producing stakeholder-informed designs (both high-level and detailed) required for MRP implementation in May 2025.

This plan outlines the engagement activity with external stakeholders the MRP Implementation phase. This phase will have as the initial portion, a focus on the review and opportunity for feedback on draft rules and manuals and a later focus on the change management (market participant readiness and tools and training support) required prior to the implementation go-live date.

Purpose of engagement: Market Rules and Market Manuals

- Continue engagement with stakeholders, specifically the draft market rules and manuals
- Provide stakeholders draft rules and manuals to review and provide feedback
- Ensure the spirit of the design phases is captured in the codified rules prior to the Technical Panel and IESO Board review

Method of engagement: Market Rules and Market Manuals

- IESO will release draft versions of market rule amendments, market manuals and presentation materials during the Implementation engagement
- The [draft rules and manuals will be organized in batches](#) to manage the amount of rules and manuals being developed, reviewed and approved
- As part of the stakeholder review process, the IESO will schedule engagement sessions to support the review of the draft rules and manuals
- At these engagement sessions, stakeholders will have been asked to review the rules, manuals and any presentations in advance which will highlight the material changes to the current market

and allow stakeholders an opportunity to ask about any of the changes in the documents that may be of interest

- IESO Engagement staff will act to facilitate these discussions and bring subject matter experts to the discussion as needed
- A parallel process to educate and engage the Technical Panel will also take place, and stakeholder can follow along on with this discussion through the webpage (where materials and meeting information are posted)
- IESO will support stakeholders in their review of interdependent rule chapters and topics where required and will provide Technical Panel information on the engagement and the responses from stakeholders
- Depending on feedback or points of contention, additional engagement opportunities would be considered

Draft Rules and Manuals Engagement Schedule

The IESO will update the [Engagement webpage](#) with the schedule for reviewing the batches of rules and manuals.

Meeting Format and Materials: The format and materials for each engagement session will be consistent across the different batches. The IESO will prepare and post a presentation to summarize the draft rules and manuals for a stakeholder discussion two weeks in advance of each meeting. In addition to the presentation, draft rules and manuals for each batch will be posted with the presentation two weeks in advance of each meeting. There will be seven batches, as listed below.

1. Batch: Market Entry and Prudentials
2. Batch: Market Power Mitigation
3. Batch: Calculation Engines
4. Batch: Interim Alignment
5. Batch: Market Settlements, Metering and Billing
6. Batch: Market and System Operations
7. Batch: Final Alignment

The IESO will be taking a tailored approach to bringing forward the different batches of rules and manuals, providing more time for engagement and feedback on some of the more detailed or expansive changes, to help to focus the time and effort needed from stakeholders to review.

Updating and Finalizing Draft Materials

As the batches of rules and manuals are reviewed, commented on and, if required, revised, they will be re-posted to the Implementation engagement webpage.

As is common with the IESO engagement process, all instances of change from the draft market rules and manuals will be identified to ensure changes to these documents are transparent.

If there are changes or issues that require additional focus from stakeholders, we will work to identify those issues and propose methods to address and resolve any outstanding issues.

Tools, Testing, and other Implementation Activities

The details and schedule around the future steps in the Implementation process will be updated in this plan and/or on the Implementation webpage when those details are confirmed.

A reminder that the MRP Implementation phase includes engagement on the draft rules and manuals prior to the Technical Panel review and voting, which may also require detailed engagement sessions on particular design topics (i.e. Market Power Mitigation: Reference Levels and Reference Quantities).

Future elements of MRP Implementation will include [market participant readiness](#), information on technology tools and solutions, market trials and testing.

Contact

If you have any questions about this plan or other details regarding this engagement, please contact IESO Engagement at engagement@ieso.ca.