

# MRP IWG Update Memo

**To:** MRP IWG Members

**From:** Candice Trickey, Director, MRP Readiness

**Date:** October 3, 2024

**Re:** MRP Project Updates for October 8th Meeting

As a standing item for the Implementation Working Group, the IESO will provide a memo to update the action items, issues list, IT solutions progress, and other relevant project updates.

## Action Items

The IESO is tracking outstanding action items and reporting back to the IWG on progress or resolution.

Action	Progress	Status (Open/Closed)
Request for timelines and process for regulatory policy/instruments changes with the OEB	The OEB has issued a draft of the Account Guidance related to MRP implementation on June 12, 2024	Closed
The IESO requested IWG members to provide market conditions that they would like the IESO to consider during end-to-end testing	The IESO has received feedback from IWG members and is currently reviewing the list of market conditions to consider for End-to-End Testing. The IESO will present highlights of the End-to-End Testing Phase at the October 8 <sup>th</sup> IWG meeting.	Closed
The IESO to see if Market Participants can obtain sample	The IESO posted two simplified sample settlement statements that show the structure and format for the new energy charge 1115 that non-dispatchable loads and distributors will receive in the renewed market. These	Open

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settlement statement files earlier than the end of the year.	<p>statements were provided in response to stakeholder requests to assist with the initial testing of their internal systems and have been posted on the <a href="#">Settlement Reference Materials</a> section of the Market Renewal webpage.</p> <p>Full sample statements that will include uplifts and other charges will be available in November 2024.</p>	
To help the IESO determine feasibility please identify the aspects of the cutover plan that will be important to test and what your organization wants to achieve with this test by June 30, 2024	<p>The IESO has reviewed the feedback from Brookfield Renewable and an IWG member expressing that they would like to test the full cutover sequence over the same time frame it is planned to take place and the rollback scenario. It has been determined by the IESO that Market Participants will not be able to test cutover and rollback scenarios during End-to-End testing but will be able to test these scenarios after the test phase concludes on March 20, 2025.</p>	Closed
The IESO will confirm if the IESO's Control Room Operators will be providing manual dispatch instructions via phone calls to Intertie Traders during the cutover period.	<p>The IESO's Control Room will operate as it currently does for a tool failure which is the IESO's Control Room will send out an advisory to Intertie Traders instructing them to follow their pre-dispatch results in future hours. Their e-Tag value will represent the official interchange schedule of their transactions. No phone calls will be made to participants as their e-Tags will note the schedule agreed to by the IESO and the neighboring Reliability Coordinator (RC).</p>	Open
The IESO will provide more clarity on the authorization requirements for Virtual Traders and what they will be able to do on or after May 7 and 8, 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The authorization requirements for Virtual Traders are outlined in Market Manual 1.5: Market Registration available on the <a href="#">Final Alignment Documents</a> page.</li> <li>• Prudential Support Obligation (PSO) information for Virtual Traders is available in section 4 of Market Manual 5.4: Prudential Support Market Participants also available on the <a href="#">Final Alignment Documents</a> page.</li> <li>• Market Participants that are interested in becoming Virtual Traders should also consult the <a href="#">Introduction to Virtual Traders</a> training guide. Section 3 covers the Authorization and Registration requirements in detail.</li> </ul> <p>Virtual traders cannot participate in the Day-Ahead Market (DAM) until they are authorized and have fulfilled</p>	Open

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	<p>their prudential support obligation (PSO). If your organization provides its PSO to the IESO on May 7, 2025 (before the IESO makes the official PSOs available to Market Participants), and the IESO reviews and accepts it on May 8, then the earliest date that your organization can potentially participate in the DAM as a Virtual Trader will be on May 10, 2025.</p> <p>If your organization waits for the IESO to publish the official PSOs on May 8, 202, then the earliest that your organization can potentially participate in the DAM as a Virtual Trader will be on May 11, 2025.</p>	
<p>The IESO will provide a list of criteria that will be used for the Availability Declaration Envelope (ADE), which will determine the eligibility of dispatchable resources to participate in the Real-Time energy market.</p>	<p>Refer to Chapter 7, Sections 3.1.11-3.1.13 of the Market Rules that provides information on the ADE criteria. Please note that self-scheduling generation facilities, intermittent generators, and price responsive loads are exempt from establishing ADE quantities.</p>	<p>Open</p>

**Project Updates**

The IESO’s Technical Panel unanimously voted to recommend the full suite of MRP Market Rules and Market Manuals on September 10, 2024. The IESO’s Board of Directors will vote to approve these on October 18, 2024. For more information on the Final Alignment of Market Rules and Market Manuals, please visit the [Final Alignment Documents](#) page.

Phase 3 of Market Trials commenced on September 13, 2024, and is scheduled to end on October 23, 2024. During this phase, Market Participants can confirm that they are able to receive, view, and interact with dispatch instructions from the MRP Dispatch Service system via the web interface and/or through their own API systems. The Sandbox applications for the Energy Market Interface (EMI), Market Information Management (MIM) system, and IESO Reports will continue to be available for Market Participants to test during this phase of Market Trials. A wrap-up meeting is scheduled on November 6, 2024, where the IESO will be providing an overview of lessons learned and a summary of issues that were encountered during this test phase.

The IESO has posted the [MRP Readiness Plan for Market Renewal Launch](#) on the [Market Participant Readiness](#) page.

Also known as the MRP Go-Live Plan, this document provides a comprehensive roadmap for the planned Market Transition, including pre-launch preparation milestones, activities, and actions, as well as the specific cutover steps before, during, and after the Market Renewal Launch window. The IESO is seeking feedback on the plan from Market Participants and external stakeholders. The IESO plans to use this feedback to release a second version of this plan that addresses Market Participant concerns and finalizes information that is currently "TBD" where possible. To provide feedback on the [MRP Readiness Plan for Market Renewal Launch](#), please complete the [Feedback Form](#) available on the [Market Participant Readiness](#) webpage and submit to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca) by October 11, 2024.

Overall, the project remains on schedule. Please refer to the Market Renewal Program Quarterly Project Status Report. The quarterly update can also be found on the [Market Renewal Program Project Status](#) webpage and now includes progress on project milestones.