

Meeting Summary: MRP Implementation Working Group

Meeting date: December 4, 2024
Meeting time: 1:30 p.m.

Meeting location: Microsoft Teams Meeting
Chair/Facilitator: Candice Trickey

Invitees	Representing	Attendance Status (Attended / Regrets)
Hisham Omara	Alectra	Regrets
Margaret Koontz	OPG	Attended
Kenneth Harrison	Atura Power	Attended
Anshul Jain	Bruce Power	Attended
Chris Sutherland	Capital Power	Regrets
David Snider	Capital Power	Attended
Brittany Ashby	Electricity Distributors Association	Attended
Julien Wu	Evolugen	Regrets
Audrey Beauregard	Evolugen	Attended
Valeria Li	Evolugen	Attended
Meghan Atkinson	Hydro One	Attended
Nancy Demers	Hydro Quebec	Attended
Francois Abdelnour	Ivaco Rolling Mills	Attended
Jason Chee-Aloy	Power Advisory, LLC	Regrets
Sarah Simmons	Power Advisory, LLC	Attended
Dave Forsyth	Rodan Energy Solutions	Attended
Chris Cincar	Ontario Energy Board	Attended
Freed Akhter	Ontario Energy Board	Attended

Jennifer Jayapalan	Workbench Energy	Attended
Taylor Hall	Emera Energy	Attended
Candice Trickey	IESO	Attended
Maria Go	IESO	Regrets
Przemek Tomczak	IESO	Attended
Wang Chiu	IESO	Attended
Cynthia Sidalak	IESO	Attended

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Agenda Item 1: Welcome; Agenda and Standing Item Review (with materials)

- On November 11, 2024, the updated registration system was successfully launched. Market Participants now have access to the new and updated registration workflows and parameters in Online IESO. Market Participants can now enter Market Control Entities and utilize the new registration parameters in Online IESO.
- The IESO is busy preparing for End-to-End Testing and the cutover to the renewed market next year.
- The IESO conducted an internal test for its cutover procedures over the weekend of November 30, 2024. A lot of good lessons were learned from the cutover test, which the IESO will consider in preparation for the external cutover test with Market Participants next year.
- The IESO summarized the results of the third External MRP Readiness Survey which was conducted in October 2024.
- **Q:** When will the sample settlement statements and data files be posted?
A: The IESO experienced some challenges in preparing the sample settlement statements and data files. These files are now available on the Settlements section of the Market Renewal webpage.
- **Action Item:** The IESO will follow up to see if Capacity Auction participants will receive settlement statements during End-to-End Testing.

Agenda Item 2: Proposal for Cutover Test and Pre-Production Connectivity Test

- The IESO went through the presentation material, which proposes an external cutover test and pre-production connectivity test for Market Participants.
- The Cutover and Pre-Production Connectivity Test would be of interest to participants with dispatchable resources who want to ensure that their organizations are able to connect to the IESO's IT systems at MRP Go-Live.
- The Cutover Testing pertains to the transition from the legacy market to the renewed market that is scheduled to occur on May 1, 2025.
- The Pre-Production Connectivity Testing will be similar to the Sandbox Connectivity Testing that was performed by Market Participants in Q1 and Q2 2024. However, the Pre-Production Connectivity Test will be conducted using the new application URLs when the renewed market is launched on May 1, 2025.
- **Q:** How would Market Participants inform the IESO that they are interested in participating in cutover testing?

- A:** The IESO will provide more information at the January 2025 stakeholder engagement day.
- **Q:** Why is the testing of the Day-Ahead Market (DAM) not in scope for cutover testing?
A: The focus of cutover testing is for Market Participants to practice the procedures that will be used to transition from the legacy market to the renewed market and to confirm if Market Participants can adhere to the strict timelines of transition. The systems that are used for the Day-Ahead Market will be the same systems that are used in the Real-Time Market. Market Participants will be able to test the process and results of the Day-Ahead Market during End-to-End Testing. The IESO does welcome feedback from Market Participants if there is anything they would like to test for DAM during cutover testing.
 - An IWG member expressed that they would like to test rollback during cutover testing. The IESO indicated that Market Participants will be able to test this on their own as it will be an exercise for Market Participants to reconnect their tools to the URLs under the legacy market and it does not need to be done in a coordinated fashion.
 - In case the IESO needs to roll back to the legacy market during the transition, Market Participants will see a period of administrative pricing similar to what they would see if our IT tools were not running in today's market.
 - **Action Item:** The IESO will provide Market Participants an overview of the type of communication they will receive during the Market Renewal Launch and what channels these notifications will be sent to participants.

Agenda Item 3: Other Business, Next Steps, and Adjournment

- Two IWG members commented that they are experiencing delays in receiving responses from the IESO to enquiries they submitted to the Market Renewal Program. The IESO will take this feedback back to their assigned Business Advisors to provide a status update on their respective enquiries.
- The IESO is targeting to publish Version 2.0 of the external End-to-End Test Plan by December 20, 2024.
- An IWG member requested for more discussion on the Market Renewal Launch in future IWG meetings.
- Meeting invites have been sent to IWG members for the following dates in 2025:
 - Wednesday January 22, 2025
 - Wednesday February 12, 2025
 - Wednesday March 12, 2025
 - Wednesday April 9, 2025
 - Wednesday April 23, 2025
 - Wednesday May 14, 2025
 - Wednesday May 28, 2025