

# Market Operations and Forecasting Planning Webinar Responses to Questions -Final

July 6, 2020

On July 6, 2020, the IESO provided an update on system operations and pandemic response, ongoing demand impacts of COVID-19, and the IESO's revised demand outlook. The responses to participant questions asked that the IESO was not able to respond to during the webinar are provided below.

## Stakeholder questions and IESO responses

Question	IESO Response
Will the IESO consider scenarios for conservation in the next planning engagement (i.e., supply-side)?	Yes, energy efficiency will be considered in the next Annual Planning Outlook.
What about future outlook for behind the meter generation impacting grid load (ex solar, wind, batteries, geo-thermal etc.)?	The next Annual Planning Outlook will include a forecast of the how distributed energy resources (DERs) can help meet future capacity needs.
Please provide forecast information in downloadable format (e.g., csv) for further analysis?	Data tables associated with forecasts will be published along with the next Annual Planning Outlook (by the end of 2020).
Would like to see updated GHG emissions forecasts?	Emissions forecasts will be included as part of the next Annual Planning Outlook.

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Do the extreme weather scenarios account for environment climate change?	Energy and peak demand are weather sensitive. Weather effects include temperature, cloud cover, wind speed and dew point (humidity). Extreme weather is very difficult to predict but the IESO accounts for this using severe historic weather conditions. For more information on how the IESO accounts for weather in its forecasts, refer to “Methodology to Perform the Reliability Outlook” available at <a href="http://www.ieso.ca/reliability-outlook">www.ieso.ca/reliability-outlook</a>

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