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# Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting Engagement Framework: Implementation of Phase II

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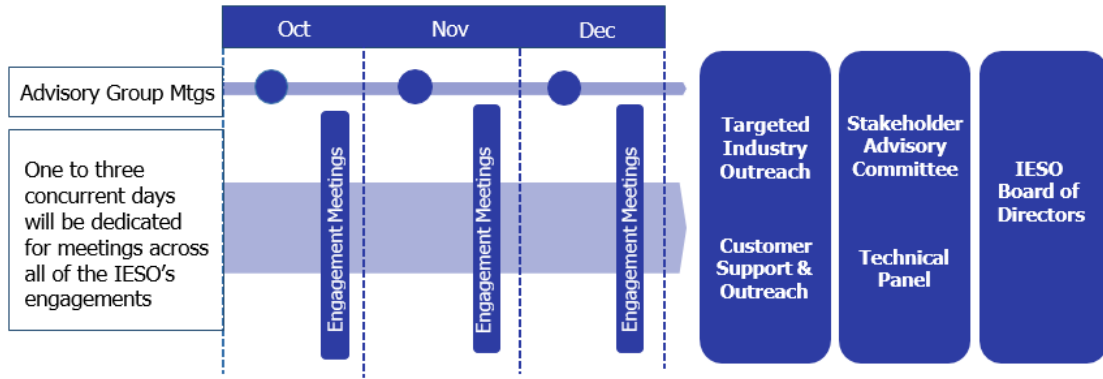
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# SAC Input

Input is requested from SAC to inform the implementation of Phase II of the Stakeholder Engagement Framework, including the:

- Introduction of four new engagement categories
- Revised working group structure and introduction of a new Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group

# Stakeholder Engagement Framework – Current Status



- New framework launched in May with engagement days, meeting two of the four goals of the new framework – greater certainty and addressing stakeholder fatigue
- Initial feedback from stakeholders has been positive

The two remaining objectives to fulfill with the new framework:

- Supporting an understanding of linkages between initiatives
- Supporting a foundation for more comprehensive and integrated updates

# Engagement Framework – Next Steps

1. Introduce **new engagement categories** to highlight the interconnectivity of the engagement initiatives and corporate strategy
2. **Refocus the working group structures** by streamlining existing groups and introducing a new advisory group that supports IESO efforts to advance sector and market changes by bringing together stakeholder interests and perspectives to facilitate efficient decision-making and the advancement of IESO activities

# 1. New Engagement Categories

- Four categories have been developed for the IESO's active engagements based on how stakeholders interact with the IESO
- Each of these engagement categories have a specific area of focus, but are linked together as a cycle to recognize how they all work together
- The new groupings and linkages will be introduced through an update to the IESO engagement main page and the active engagements webpage



# New Engagement Categories

## Forecasting & Planning

Engagements to support provincial and regional electricity planning over the next 20 years

- Formalizing the Integrated Bulk Planning Process
- Regional Planning Review Process
- Reliability Standards Review
- Transmission Assets End-of-Life
- Transmission Losses
- Active Regional Planning Engagements

## Resource Acquisition

Engagements to ensure we have the tools and processes to acquire the resources we need to maintain a reliable and efficient system

- Capacity Auction
- Design for Energy Storage Participation
- Development of an IESO Competitive Transmission Procurement Process
- Expanding Participation in Operating Reserve & Energy
- Market Renewal Program Engagements
- Resource Adequacy

## Operations

Engagements to ensure that Ontario's electricity resources are operating reliably within the IESO-administered market, while also undertaking continuous market improvements

- Energy Payments for Economic Activation of DR Resources
- Improving Accessibility of Operating Reserve
- Transmission Rights Market Review
- Updates to IESO Monitoring Requirements: Phasor Data
- Updates to Performance Requirements: Market Rule Appendices 4.2 and 4.3

## Sector Evolution

Engagements that look to the future to see how innovation, new technologies and new collaborations can improve how we conduct our business

- Distributed Energy Resources (DER) Survey
- Energy Efficiency Auction Pilot
- Energy Efficiency Opportunities for Grid-Connected First Nations
- Indigenous Energy Support Programs Review
- Innovation and Sector Evolution White Papers
- IESO York Region Non-Wires Alternatives Demonstration Project

## 2. Refocus Working Groups and Committees

Goals for refocusing the working groups and committees:

- provide broad cross-cutting view of engagement activities (*eliminate silos*)
- establish a group to help efficiently resolve entrenched issues or roadblocks
- support a deeper understanding of stakeholder priorities
- inform key IESO initiatives before they launch
- bring consistent nomenclature and structures to IESO engagement vehicles
- support more integrated updates and advice to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee

# Refocus Working Groups and Committees - Next Steps

There are two next steps to refocusing IESO's working groups and committees:

- Introduce a new **Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group** to support efforts to advance sector and market changes by bringing together stakeholder interests and perspectives to facilitate the advancement of IESO activities and efficient decision-making
- Streamline the number of IESO working/advisory groups and add consistency to the creation and operation of these groups



# Introduce New *Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group*

## Objective:

Facilitate IESO efforts to advance sector and market changes by bringing together stakeholder interests and strategic perspectives to inform the advancement of IESO activities and efficient decision-making

## Make-Up:

- Maximum of 10 members with a balanced representation
- Committee to be chaired by Director of Corporate Affairs, supported by director leads on key/initiatives identified for discussion in advance of meetings



# Introduce New *Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group - Overview*

The new advisory group will provide a forum for regular dialogue between IESO and stakeholders to:

- seek informed input to support IESO planning and prioritization of initiatives
- identify issues affecting customer segments and participants
- support the resolution of roadblocks holding back progress in IESO engagements/activities
- provide input on engagements prior to launch
- promote greater understanding of linkages between IESO engagements/activities
- act as a venue for the IESO to identify upcoming changes to documents/tools/processes that lack pre-defined engagement structures (i.e. market manuals)
- discuss customer readiness for initiatives prior to implementation

# Introduce New *Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group - Functionality*

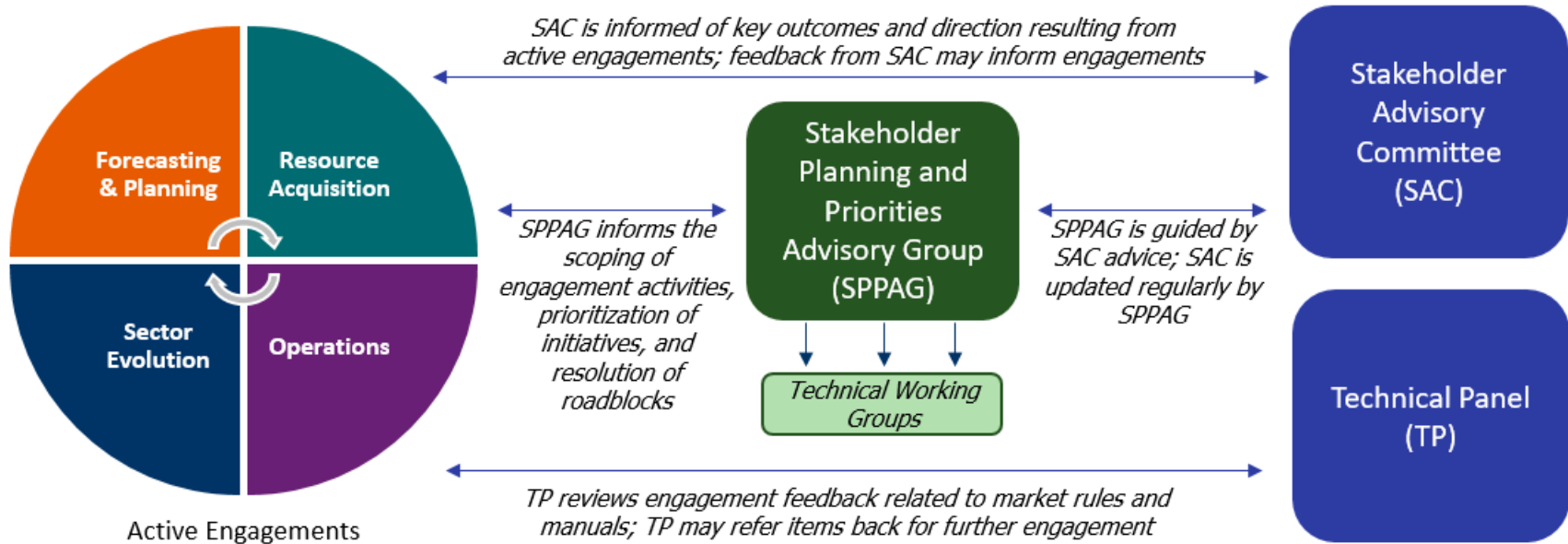
## Functionality:

- meetings to take place on a quarterly basis, minimum
- regular committee reports/updates will be shared with Stakeholder Advisory Committee
- meetings are open to the public as observers, or when identified to speak by the Chair
- in-camera meetings could be utilized on limited basis before/after regular meetings
- time limited Technical Working Groups can be established for specific initiatives/issues
- members appointed by the Board of Directors

# Roles and Responsibilities

<b>Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC)</b>	<b>Technical Panel (TP)</b>	<b>Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group (SPPAG)</b>	<b>Technical Working Groups (TWG)</b>	<b>Operational Committees (OC)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provides strategic- and policy-level advice to the IESO Board and Executive Team</li><li>• Identify and discuss emerging issues and external developments with view to understand impact/benefit to electricity sector</li><li>• Appointed representatives from all aspects of the sector</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proposes/reviews amendments to the Market Rules</li><li>• Advises the Board on specific technical issues relating to the operation of the markets</li><li>• Appointed representation from market participants</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provides operational-level advice to IESO management</li><li>• Informs prioritization and scoping of engagements from the perspective of the sector</li><li>• Can assist in addressing challenges that occur during active engagements</li><li>• Identifies issues affecting customer segments and participants</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Established for a limited duration to address specific issue in detail</li><li>• Initiated by IESO through the SPPAG</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide advice around operational subject areas (i.e. Reliability Standards, Revenue Metering)</li><li>• Help stakeholders to stay informed on key operational matters</li></ul>

# Revised Engagement Structure



Operational Committees will continue to provide engagement focus on technical subject areas (i.e. Reliability Standards, Revenue Metering)

# Streamline the IESO Working/Advisory Groups

Introduce consistency to the creation and operation of engagement groups and streamline existing ones:

- consolidate priorities from the Demand Response Working Group, Energy Storage Advisory Group, and Market Development Advisory Group to the new *Stakeholder Planning and Priorities Advisory Group*
- phase out the Regional Planning Review Advisory Group when the associated engagement ends
- close out the following inactive groups: Information and Technology Standing Committee, Inter-jurisdictional Trading Standing Committee, Market Information Working Group

## Next Steps

- Pending feedback from SAC:
  - proceed to update website and materials to reflect the new categories for the November/December engagement days
  - implement the revised engagement structure in Q1 2021, streamlining the existing advisory/working groups, as outlined

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# Thank You

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# Appendices

# Current Committee and Grouping Structure

Type	Group
<b>Corporate Committees</b>	Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) Technical Panel (TP)
<b>Advisory Groups</b>	Energy Storage Advisory Group (ESAG) Market Development Advisory Group (MDAG) Regional Planning Review Advisory Group (RPRAG)
<b>Working Groups</b> <i>Definition on IESO website: "Formed for a limited duration to address specific stakeholder initiatives in detail."</i>	Demand Response Working Group (DRWG) Energy Assistance Programming Working Group Market Information Working Group
<b>Standing Committees</b> <i>Definition on IESO website: "Allow stakeholders to stay informed and provide timely advice on the IESO's activities in areas such as reliability standards, information technology, revenue metering and inter-jurisdictional trading."</i>	Grid-LDC Interoperability Standing Committee IT Standing Committee Inter-Jurisdictional Trading Standing Committee Reliability Standards Standing Committee Revenue Metering Standing Committee