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Re: FURTHER DATE EXTENSION for GENERATION VERIFICATION TESTING due to COVID-19

In April, the IESO issued a letter (dated April 29, 2020), that provided additional relief related to market participants' generation verification testing. Specifically, the IESO uniformly extended the reporting dates for all routine 5-year cycle activities for MOD-025, PRC-019, and PRC-024 as well as routine 10-year cycle activities for MOD-026 and MOD-027 scheduled after March 15, 2020, by three months beyond the presently established reporting dates.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, the IESO is further extending the reporting dates for the routine 5-year and 10-year cycle activities for the above mentioned standards for **another 3 months**. The updated implementation plans for these standards are posted on the IESO's webpage: <https://www.ieso.ca/en/Sector-Participants/System-Reliability/Enforcement-Dates>

This provision does not apply in instances where there are equipment or setting changes. To be clear, the schedule for IESO performance validation tests for new or modified equipment remains unchanged.

No further actions are required of any market participant who can abide by this further extension. Please advise us through the Ontario Reliability Compliance Program mailbox (orcp@ieso.ca) of any schedule changes that do not follow this further extension. No change should delay the overall completion date for this cycle of routine tests by this further date extension.

The IESO is committed to closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation and evaluating what impact it may have on the reporting obligation of market participants. Given present uncertainty about the duration of the COVID-19 emergency, relief from reliability standards may need to be reassessed and adjusted, to take into account new and evolving challenges.

Sincerely,

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