

Meeting Summary: MRP Implementation Working Group

Meeting date: March 1, 2023
Meeting time: 9:00 a.m.

Meeting location: IESO Offices (120 Adelaide St. W.) and synchronous Microsoft Teams Meeting
Chair/Facilitator: Candice Trickey / Declan Doyle

Invitees	Representing	Attendance Status (Attended / Regrets)
Hisham Omara	Alectra	Regrets
Margaret Koontz	Atura Power	Attended
Alvin Zhang	Bruce Power	Regrets
Emma Coyle	Capital Power	Attended
Brittany Ashby	Electricity Distributors Association	Attended
Stephanie Sun	EDF	Regrets
Marc Robitaille	Evolugen	Regrets
Julien Wu	Evolugen	Attended
Louis Vezina	Hydro Quebec	Attended
Francois Abdelnour	Ivaco Rolling Mills	Attended
Lynn Wizniak	Ontario Power Generation	Attended

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Jason Chee-Aloy	Power Advisory, LLC	Regrets
Sarah Simmons	Power Advisory, LLC	Attended
Dave Forsyth	Rodan Energy Solutions	Attended
Chris Cincar	Ontario Energy Board	Observed
Adam Hariri	Ontario Energy Board	Observed
Reieona Chacko	IESO	Attended
Declan Doyle	IESO	Attended
Cary Ferguson	IESO	Attended
Candice Trickey	IESO	Attended

Agenda Item 1: Welcome; Agenda and Standing Item Review

The chair welcomed attendees to the third meeting of the Market Renewal Program (MRP) Implementation Working Group (IWG) and provided an outline of the agenda. The chair walked through the meeting memo, with review of the action items, issues list, IT solutions progress, and project updates, and highlighted that the first set of technical API specifications have been published for market participant review. No comments on the materials or additions to the action items were provided by attendees.

Agenda Item 2: MRP Issues Management Update

The IESO presented the agenda item materials, highlighting the proposal for addressing stakeholder feedback through updates to the design for the Independent Review Process. No comments were received on the proposal.

Next steps on this issue include engaging the broader stakeholder community on the proposal, including the updated language, at the end of March through the IESO's Engagement Days.

Agenda Item 3: Market Participant Readiness Planning

Alongside the presentation of the agenda item materials, members discussed the topic with the following comments:

- Members asked about the customer support for Market Participants through the readiness process, and the IESO confirmed that though an account management model, there will be specific MRP advisors attached to specific segments, and they will be the single point of contact for participants
- Members asked about opportunities for group training and education, as they can be effective ways to deliver important information to a large audience. The IESO agreed, and will be considering how to deliver key training/education activities
- The IESO mentioned the possibility to bring to the IWG results of participant readiness surveys to identify potential trends, and ways to mitigate risks as they appear
- Members asked about the risks relating to parallel paths for market rule finalization, and the interdependencies with external parties who also need to effect changes. The IESO responded that this is an item they are monitoring, including needing to provide clarity for participants on effective dates for specific rules
- Members expressed concern about the short window for end-to-end testing where potential defects can be addressed. The IESO responded that the end-to-end testing portion follows considerable internal and external testing, so while it remains a risk, there are mitigations in place
- Members expressed concern relating to the report timelines, and the lead time needed to make corresponding changes, especially on Settlements. The IESO responded that the committee will discuss the timing in more detail at a future meeting to identify any issues.

Agenda Item 4: Feedback on Engagement Approach for Settlements

Following a brief introduction, and recap of the engagement activities for the Market Settlements batch of market rules, members were asked if there were any insights, or lessons, that the IESO could bring forward for future engagement opportunities. There was no direct feedback on this item in the meeting, but members can consider this item and provide advice back to IESO staff at their convenience.

Agenda Item 5: Other Business, Next Steps, and Adjournment

The Chair reminded members to highlight any conflicts with the upcoming meeting schedule, and asked if the hybrid structure (with some members in-person and some members on-line) was effective for future meetings. Some members noted a preference for continuing to offer a hybrid meeting and some noted that they prefer to attend in person.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2023.

New Action Items:

- IESO to share the Project Status webpage with IWG Members

- IESO to discuss timing for report review, including Settlements, with IWG Members