

MRP IWG Update Memo

To: MRP IWG Members

From: Candice Trickey, Director, MRP Readiness

Date: October 2nd, 2023

Re: MRP Project Updates for October 6th Meeting

As a standing item for the Implementation Working Group, the IESO will provide a memo to update the action items, issues list, IT solutions progress, and other relevant project updates.

Action Items

The IESO is tracking outstanding action items and reporting back to the IWG on progress or resolution.

Action	Progress	Status (Open/Closed)
IESO to confirm if a single qTest user account can be used to log test results for multiple market participant organizations.	Test projects will be configured in qTest for each market participant. If a user belongs to more than one market participant, they must request access for all applicable projects in qTest. The IESO will only provide access to users that are associated with a market participant in Online IESO. Accordingly, market participants must ensure their contact roles are up-to-date in Online IESO. However, users will be able to access test projects for all market participants they are authorized for with one qTest account.	Open
IESO to provide a copy of the qTest Form of Acknowledgment and Undertaking to members.	The Form of Acknowledgment and Undertaking was provided on September 1 st via email. There were concerns raised from members.	Closed

Action	Progress	Status (Open/Closed)
IESO to provide a summary of the results received from the first assessment survey.	The results of the June 2023 External Readiness Assessment Survey will be presented at the October 6 th meeting.	Open
IESO to provide a list of business advisors and their assigned market participant segments via email.	The list of IESO business advisors and their assigned market participant segments was provided by email on July 17 th .	Closed
Request for timelines and process for regulatory policy/instruments changes with the OEB	IESO met with the OEB in September and provided the Charge Types and Equations list along with the Charge Types Mapping table. The OEB is currently reviewing the information to determine the changes to the LDC codes and variance accounts and considering when they will be able to share this assessment with participants.	Open
Request for additional details on market participant testing	IESO will be providing a walkthrough of the testing strategy at the October 6 th meeting.	Open
Request to update registration data prior to Go-Live	IESO is currently developing a strategy to collect cascade group and forebay registration parameters for hydroelectric resources. The IESO will be directly speaking with hydroelectric resources to implement this offline process.	Open
Request to map charge types to reports	The IESO has reviewed this request and is unable to provide a mapping of all charge types to our market and system reports due to the large number of combinations and scenarios that must be considered to perform this analysis. The IESO can work with participants to identify how specific parameters from the new and changing charge types are used in these reports upon request.	Closed

Issues List

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Issue	Progress	Status (Open/Closed)
Reference Levels/Quantities for Hydroelectric Participants	Discussions ongoing	Open

IT Solutions Progress

The slide showing the IESO's progress in developing software solutions is attached. Most of our systems have progressed to the Site Acceptance Stage. The Market Information Management and Commercial Reconciliation systems are being developed in phases with the 1st phase in the Site Acceptance Stage and the 2nd phase in the Development Stage. User Acceptance Testing is complete for the Centralized Forecast System and Site Acceptance Testing is complete for the Energy Management Interface.

The Market Information Management (MIM) system and the Dispatch Services API technical specifications are currently available on the [Technical Reference Materials webpage](#). The IESO [Charge Types and Equations](#) list was made available in August. Estimated timelines for posting schemas and sample files for reports are also available on the [Technical Reference Materials webpage](#). The first batch of schemas and sample reports was posted on September 29th. In Q2 2024, the IESO will release the updated Format Specifications for Settlement Statement Files and Data Files.

Project Updates

No updates since the July 6 IWG meeting. Overall, the project remains on schedule. The quarterly update can be found on the [Market Renewal Program Project Status](#) webpage. The IESO's next update will include enhanced reporting including progress on all project milestones.