

Assessment of Impact of Market Rule Amendment on Consumers Re: Price, Reliability, Quality of Electricity Service

This form is used to document the *IESO's* assessment of the impact of a proposed *market rule amendment* on the interests of consumers with respect to prices and the *reliability* and quality of electricity service.

Terms and acronyms used in this Form that are italicized have the meanings ascribed thereto in Chapter 11 of the *Market Rules*.

Part 1 – Market Rule Information

Identification No.: MR-00469-R00

Title: Enhancements to the 2022 Capacity Auction

Date of Assessment: June 7, 2022

Part 2 – Assessment

The following is the *IESO's* assessment of the impact of the proposed *market rule amendment* on the interests of consumers with respect to price and the *reliability* and quality of electricity service.

Impact of Price:

Expanding participation in the Capacity Auction by enabling generator-backed capacity import resources will increase competition. A focus on enabling new competition in the Capacity Auction will maintain a downward pressure on costs.

Impact on Reliability of Electricity Service:

Expanding participation for different resources to offer into the Capacity Auction will likely lead to an increasing diversity in Ontario's capacity supply. Having a diverse supply mix can improve reliability so that a system is not reliant on one or two key resource types. In addition, the introduction of a pre-auction qualification process and enhancements to the performance assessment framework (including testing protocols) will incent greater reliability from the resources secured through the capacity auction.

Impact on Quality of Electricity Service:

None