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IESO SENIOR MANAGEMENT UPDATE

To: Stakeholder Advisory Committee
Date: January 20, 2010
Subject: **Enhanced Day-Ahead Commitment Project**

Information Item

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Stakeholder Advisory Committee with an update of the progress made by the IESO to complete the market design for the Enhanced Day-Ahead Commitment Project (EDAC).

Background

Following the IESO Board of Directors decision on September 5, 2008 approving the EDAC project, the IESO proceeded to develop and stakeholder the EDAC Market Design document to completion and reported that to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee on February 11th, 2009. The IESO then proceeded to begin the Detailed Design Stage of the project which is comprised of the construction of the following deliverables:

1. EDAC Detailed Design
2. EDAC Business Requirements
3. Market Rules
 - a. Optimization Engine
 - b. Enabling
 - c. Settlements

Update on Progress

Since our last report to the SAC in August 2009, the IESO has continued its effort to finalize the Detailed Design Stage of the EDAC project. A brief update on various activities is provided below.

Market Rules Development

In August 2009 the Technical Panel recommended the EDAC Optimization Engine and enabling market rules for adoption by the IESO Board of Directors. This occurred at the Board meeting in September 2009. The effective date of the rules will be determined by the Board following EDAC market trials, testing and transition to service plan.

At meetings throughout the fall of 2009, the Technical Panel considered EDAC Settlements market rule amendments. These rules were posted for public comment in December 2009 for 30 days. No comments were received, and a recommendation for the rules' adoption by the IESO Board will be voted on at the January 26, 2010 meeting of the Technical Panel.

Stakeholder Activities

The stakeholder activities since late summer 2009 have included:

1. Two meetings of the Settlements Design Working Group
 - a. A meeting in September 2009
 - b. A webcast in December 2009
2. One meeting of the Combined Cycle Owners and Operators Focus Group to discuss Combined Cycle treatment under EDAC to communicate the results of an IESO design review of combined cycle treatment in EDAC

Next Steps

As the IESO finalizes the Detailed Design in Q1 of 2010, focus will shift towards the IT Design and Build phase of the project as evidenced by the project timeline illustrated below. The stakeholder aspect of this work will centre on changes to market facing systems and reports. The IESO is about to post a stakeholder plan to reflect this effort.

The following diagram depicts the EDAC Project lifecycle with some key dates.

Project Timeline

