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Sent: November 6, 2006 11:44 AM
To: Kula Leonard
Subject: RE: Feedback requested of the Commercial Reconciliation Standing Committee - AQEW Report Publication

Q. Would the elimination of AQEW reports published on the MPI impact your business processes?
A. No impact. The report web-site suits our purposes adequately.

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From: Kula Leonard
Sent: Monday, November 06, 2006 8:35 AM
Subject: Feedback requested of the Commercial Reconciliation Standing Committee - AQEW Report Publication

Members of the Commercial Reconciliation Standing Committee

Good morning.

As you may recall, I wrote to you earlier this year with regard to your views on maintaining the Commercial Reconciliation Standing Committee.

At the time, we noted that we were interested in keeping the CRSC together, as we find it to be a useful forum to share information. Many of you share the same view and wrote back to tell us. Thank you!

I am writing today to ask you about the methods we use to post your Allocated Quantity of Energy Withdrawn (AQEW) and to determine your preferences going forward.

As you may know, we prepare a report of your AQEW for a defined period and ask you to verify the quantity. We do this to confirm the total AQEW for the market before distributing funds back to the market (e.g. IESO fee rebate, OPG rebate). Presently, we post this report in two places. First, the long-standing practise has been to create an 'ad hoc' report that is posted to the Market Participant Interface (MPI). To access this report, you need to log on to the MPI using digital certificates.

A number of you told us that the use of digital certificates to access reports was problematic. As a result, we recently introduced the capability to

access reports through a password protected secure web-site. The AQEW reports are also provided on this report-web-site.

We have to use different methods to prepare and publish the reports. The report published via the MPI is a labour-intensive manual process that can introduce errors. We do exercise great caution and have created automated routines to check the completed reports to reduce but not eliminate the risk of error. On the other hand, the reports prepared for publication via the reports web-site is an automated process that is much less likely to introduce an error.

Since the preferred method to publish these reports is through the report web-site (it's easier for you to access your reports and there is less likelihood that we will make an error when preparing the reports), we would like to stop publishing AQEW data as an ad hoc report on the Market Participant Interface as of Release 17.0 (7 March 2007).

Of course, your AQEW reports would continue to be published on the reports web-site. If you do not have access to the IESO's secure report site, please contact your account manager.

Would the elimination of AQEW reports published on the MPI impact your business processes? We would like to hear from you and would appreciate receiving your feedback by November 20.

In addition, you will soon be hearing that the IESO is forming a working group to determine an acceptable time schedule for the migration of existing reports to a single report location and a standard report format. You may ask yourself: "How does the working group relate to this proposal to provide AQEW reports only through our secure reports web site?" The working group is a long-term initiative that is focused on the dispatch and scheduling reports rather than settlement statements. A specific communication on this topic will be sent out shortly to Market Participants.

Regards,

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