

Feedback Form

Capacity Auction Enhancements – March 31, 2026

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Following the March 31, 2026 Capacity Auction Enhancements webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from stakeholders on the items discussed.

The referenced presentation and supporting materials can be found under the March 31, 2026, entry on the [Capacity Auction Enhancements](#) webpage.

To promote transparency, feedback submitted will be posted on the Capacity Auction Enhancements page unless otherwise requested by the sender. If you wish to provide confidential feedback, please mark “Yes” below:

- Yes – there is confidential information, do not post
- No – comfortable to publish to the IESO web page

Please provide feedback by April 15, 2026, to engagement@ieso.ca. Please use subject: *Feedback: Capacity Auction Enhancements.*

Activation Payment Certainty

Topic	Feedback
Do you have any feedback regarding the updates that the IESO provided related to activation payment certainty for HDR resources?	No

Partial Activations

Topic	Feedback
Do you have any feedback regarding the updates that the IESO provided related to partial activations of HDR resources?	No

Frequent Activations

Topic	Feedback
Do you have any feedback regarding the updates that the IESO provided related to the frequent activation of HDR resources?	No

2026-2028 Enhancements Roadmap

Topic	Feedback
Do you have any feedback regarding the IESO's engagement approach and high-level engagement timelines?	No
Do you have any feedback regarding prioritized enhancements for the 2026 auction?	The IESO needs to address the testing issues as soon as possible, before the next Auction takes place in the fall. It is an important issue, and the fix can be implemented quickly.

2026 Administrative Enhancements

Topic	Feedback
Do you have any feedback or comments on the proposed administrative enhancements, including the	Testing window should be wider and more flexible. Contributors should receive notices month in advance.

capacity testing processes, contributor management tool improvements, and settlement enhancement?

Dispatchable Loads operating in the Market and following dispatch instructions on a regular basis should be exempt from testing or at least should be tested automatically by the IESO for a short nominal test period to reconfirm their ability to follow dispatch instructions.

Since dispatchable loads and PRL's are not permitted to participate in Aggregated portfolios they have no ability to transfer obligations to other loads.

Loads would not survive if they don't run. They must maximize their running time to improve their bottom line. The reasons for not running are usually hard to control. It could be equipment failure, or tariffs causing low sales and high inventories as well as others... When this happens during the test window, the test can't be done.

Loads must clear their obligated MW's in the DAM - This is unreasonable. IESO agreed during the Detailed design of the MRP that forcing loads to bid any price in the DAM was not required so long as they bid their MW. With the recent pricing, loads might have to bid extremely high prices to clear DA, higher than they would want to pay in RT, especially during this challenging economy.

General Comments/Feedback