MRP Energy Detailed Design Design Document: AUTHORIZATION AND PARTICIPATION

Stakeholder Feedback Form

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The IESO is posting a series of detailed design documents which together comprise the detailed design of the MRP energy stream.

This design document is posted to the following engagement webpage: http://ieso.ca/en/Market-Renewal/Energy-Stream-Designs/Detailed-Design.

Stakeholder feedback for this design document is due on February 28, 2020 to engagement@ieso.ca.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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General feedback on the Detailed Design Document

These are the comments of the Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) on the Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) Group One Detailed Design documents for the Market Renewal Program (MRP) that were released on November 28, 2019. The EDA supports the MRP's objectives of increasing competition, improving market efficiency, and increasing transparency in Ontario's wholesale electricity market in the expectation that these improvements will contribute to placing downward pressure on electricity commodity prices to the benefit of consumers. The EDA's comments herein focus on the anticipated impacts of the MRP on LDCs and to LDC customers.

Process next steps

The EDA seeks additional clarity with respect to the next stages of MRP implementation. The IESO recently announced that it is postponing the release of the remaining chapters of the Detailed Design, and by implication of information relevant to LDCs and market training, by several months. The EDA requests that the IESO make its updated MRP engagement schedule available at the earliest opportunity.

The EDA also seeks increased transparency of how the IESO incorporates changes into the Detailed Design chapters so that LDCs can explain MRP to their customers.

Concluding Thoughts

The MRP raises many questions for the IESO, the regulator and government. As expressed elsewhere, the EDA supports the MRP's objectives. LDCs look forward to the renewed market realizing the promise of lower costs for consumers. There is increasing urgency for the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to engage itself in the renewal of the market, as changes to its regulatory instruments (e.g., Code amendments, updates to the Regulated Price Plan, Cost Allocation) may be necessary and will have an impact on consumers and consumer protections.

If you have any further questions on this matter, please contact Kathi Farmer at opportunity to comment on the Group One Detailed Design and look forward to contributing to future discussions of the issues of MRP.

Design Document: Section	Detailed Comments (Areas of Support or Concern)
1. Introduction	



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2. Summary of Current and Future State	The EDA does not anticipate impacts to LDCs arising from the changes in authorization and participation flowing from the Day-Ahead Market (DAM), the introduction of new participant types (e.g., Price Responsive Loads (PRLs)) and financial market participants. As explained in the IESO's materials, existing market participants that are authorized for physical market participation in the Real-Time Market (RTM) will be automatically granted authorization in DAM.
3. Detailed Functional Design:	
3.3 Participant Authorization	
3.4 Transition into the Facility Registration Process	
3.5 Dispute Resolution	
4. Market Rule Requirements	
5. Procedural Requirements	
6. Business Process and Information Flow Overview	

