

MRP IWG Update Memo

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To: MRP IWG Members

From: Candice Trickey, Director, MRP Readiness

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Re: MRP Project Updates for March 12th Meeting

As a standing item for the Implementation Working Group, the IESO will provide a memo to update the action items, issues list, IT solutions progress, and other relevant project updates.

Action Items

The IESO is tracking outstanding action items and reporting back to the IWG on progress or resolution.

Action	Progress	Status (Open/Closed)
An IWG member asked how the IESO is assessing readiness for MRP to go live	The program is completing assessments of readiness for a May 1 launch periodically to gauge progress and identify the need for mitigation plans. These assessments are being used to determine whether the project remains on track and to inform the go-live decision.	Closed
	The readiness assessment looks at five main areas of readiness: documentation, solutions, IESO lines of business, market participants and cutover preparations. For each of these areas the IESO has a detailed checklist of requirements (e.g. list of all internal/external manuals,	

rules, and other governing documents) that must be complete by May 1. These are being tracked and regularly assessed to identify any risks to timely completion. For areas that are more subjective (e.g. participant readiness or testing success) an assessment methodology and/or criteria have been developed and is being monitoring and assessing regularly to ensure sufficient progress is being made, or identify need for mitigations where a risk emerges. Participant readiness is being assessed through a combination of survey results, feedback from outreach, testing results, and completion of registration activities to assess overall readiness.

IESO has been sharing results from the surveys and testing with the Implementation Working Group and at testing webinars to provide insight into this.

Project Updates

The second and third Q&A sessions on End-to-End Testing were held on February 18, 2025 and March 4, 2025. The last Q&A session will be scheduled on March 18, 2025. An e-mail will be sent in advance from the IESO Market Renewal mailbox notifying when Market Participants can register for the Q&A sessions.

The IESO has posted a <u>draft market rule amendment</u> related to Market Power Mitigation and the market control entity disclosure requirements. Stakeholders can submit questions and feedback to <u>engagement@ieso.ca</u> using the <u>feedback form</u>.

The IESO has also posted the following documents on the Market Participant Testing page:

- Pre-Production Connectivity Test Plan
- Pre-Production Test Cases
- Pre-Production Connectivity Testing: Issue Log Template

• Cutover Test Plan (to be published on March 14, 2025)

Overall, the project remains on schedule. Please refer to the Market Renewal Program Quarterly Project Status Report. The quarterly update can also be found on the <u>Market Renewal Program Project Status</u> webpage and now includes progress on project milestones.