

# Market Rule Amendment Written Submission

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## PART 1 – SUBMITTER'S INFORMATION

Please enter your organization and contact information in full.		
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#### PART 2 – MARKET RULE AMENDMENT REFERENCE

<b>Type of Rule Amendment Being Commented on</b> (please indicate with x):			
Amendment Submission	Proposed Rule Amendment	Recommended Rule Amendment	
<b>MR Number</b> : <u>MR-00370</u>			
This Market Rule number is located on the "Current Market Rule Amendment" web page.			
Date Relevant Amendment Submission, Proposed or Recommended Rule Amendment Posted for Comment: July 7, 2010			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This number is a maximum of 12 characters and does not include any spaces or underscore.

## PART 3 – COMMENTS ON RULE AMENDMENT

#### Provide your comments.

This Proposed Market Rule Amendment will reduce market efficiency and hamper the IESO Administered Markets ability to alleviate Surplus Baseload Generation (SBG) which will result in security and reliability concerns. The NorthEastern Interconnect Electrical System has seen an increase in Wind Generation with substantially more developments on the horizon. The addition of these clean resources in the off peak hours will increase the frequency of negative priced hours for all Markets. The off peak price volatility will be substantial until the markets introduce rules to make the currently undispatchable Wind, responsive to price. Prices in MISO, PJM, NYISO and ISO-NE will drop well below -\$50 dollars. Export transactions from Ontario will not flow as the combination of the floor price, uplifts, currency exchange rate, export fees and lower neighboring prices will create too much risk with limited profit potential. This will force Ontario to take manual actions to control SBG, further hampering the efficiency of the Wholesale Market.

The frequency of negative prices on the Ontario Inter-Ties has decreased substantially over the last couple years as more Market Participants have been active in the NorthWest. The Market Surveillance Panel's observation that the uniform price system is flawed has been stated repeatedly. This complex set of rules has hampered market efficiency as Market Participants struggle to understand Market schedules and settlements produced from the unconstrained and constrained processes. This complexity of the Ontario Market has resulted in band-aid solutions; the current proposed rule amendment does nothing to reduce the confusion and will result in decreased Market efficiency.

## PART 4 – EXTERNAL CONSULTATION MEETING

If you believe that a special meeting of stakeholders would be necessary/desirable to discuss the issues raised by the rule amendment, please complete the following information:

External Stakeholdering meeting necessary/desirable (please indicate with x):

Reason(s) why you believe a meeting is necessary/desirable: