

Market Rule Amendment Submission

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PART 1 – SUBMITTER'S INFORMATION

Please enter contact information in full

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PART 2 – MARKET RULE AMENDMENT SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Subject: Definitions				
Title: Rule Note: Definition of Transmitter				
Nature of request (please indicate with X):AlterationAdditionClarification				
Chapter: 11	Appendix:	Sections: 1 (Rule Note)		
Sub-sections proposed for amending/clarifying :				

¹ This field is restricted to a maximum of 12 characters and does not allow any spaces or underscore.

$PART \ 3-D \ ESCRIPTION \ OF \ THE \ ISSUE$

Provide a brief description of the issue and reason for the proposed amendment. If possible, provide a qualitative and quantitative assessment of the impacts of the issue on you and the *IMO-administered markets*. Include the Chapter and Section number of the relevant market rules.

The Rule Note at the beginning of the definition section in Chapter 11 states that the definitions of the terms "transmitter" and "transmission system" may require certain persons to fulfill certain obligations under the market rules. These obligations may, at times, be inconsistent for those market participants exempt from corollary obligations under the *Electricity Act, 1998* or the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*. For example, a market participant who is licensed by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) as a distributor, despite the fact they convey electricity at voltages of more than 50 kilovolts, would "technically" fit the definition of transmitter under the market rules and be required to meet the obligations of a transmitter under the market rules. The Rule Note indicates that this potential inconsistency needs to be addressed.

It is the IMO's view that while there is a the potential for inconsistency in the designation of an entity as a transmitter it has not been a problem to date nor is it expected to in the future. As such there is no need for a Rule Note in the market rules that require the potential inconsistency to be addressed. Leaving the Rule Note in the market rules creates confusion and uncertainty concerning transmitters and their obligations.

The IMO and OEB are endowed with different statutory responsibilities. There will be circumstances where, for reliability reasons, a market participant should be subject to the market rules regarding transmitters notwithstanding that the market participant may not be licensed as a transmitter by the OEB or may otherwise be exempt from some of the obligations of a transmitter under the <u>Ontario</u> <u>Energy Board Act, 1998</u>. If a problem were to arise due to the lack of uniformity between the two regimes, participants are eligible to apply for an exemption from the market rule obligations. Also, should the need arise at a later time, the IMO may on its own initiative, or on that of a market participant's amend the market rules to appropriately identify certain participants who fit the definition of transmitter from some or all obligations of transmitters under the market rules.

PART 4 – PROPOSAL (BY SUBMITTER)

Provide your proposed amendment. If possible, provide suggested wording of proposed amendment.

Delete Rule Note 1 of Chapter 11(definitions).

PART 5 – FOR *IMO* USE ONLY

MR number: MR-00027

Date submitted to *Technical Panel*:

Accepted by *Technical Panel* as: __General___Urgent X Minor Date: August 20, 2002 (please indicate with X)

Criteria for acceptance: The existence of this rules note may lead to possible confusion concerning market participant obligations under the market rules.

Priority: Low

Criteria for assigning priority: The Technical panel determined that the rule note may lead to confusion but the extent to which this issue is adversely affecting a number of market participants is low.

Not accepted (please indicate with X):

Clarification/interpretation required (please indicate with X):

Technical Panel minutes reference: IMOTP 110-1

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Technical Panel Comments: The Technical Panel determined that this Amendment Submission was minor and non-impactive and therefore, stakeholdering is not required. As a result the Technical Panel also determined that they would vote on the Market Rule Amendment Proposal at the same time as making the above determination.