

PART 2 – MARKET RULE AMENDMENT SUBMISSION INFORMATION

<p>Sub-sections proposed for amending/clarifying :</p>

PART 3 – DESCRIPTION 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.

<p>Chapter 5 of the Market Rules relates to the IMO's management of Power System Reliability. Section 1.2 of Chapter 5 articulates the general principles that apply to the rest of the chapter. Section 1.2.2 as it is currently written states that the IMO shall coordinate its actions directly with affected market participants in maintaining the reliability of the IMO-controlled grid. With respect to outages of transmission facilities and equipment under normal conditions, in practice, the IMO coordinates its actions with transmitters and relies on the transmitters to perform the coordination with downstream market participants pursuant to the Transmission System Code. This practice has maintained system reliability, and assists in coordinating outage activities.</p>
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<p>The coordination of outages with impacted market participants is important since outages may present additional costs or inconvenience to them. Therefore, coordination is necessary to reduce the impacts of the outage to the extent possible or to a reasonable extent.</p>

<p>The rules as they are now written has led to confusion by market participants regarding what role the IMO plays in coordinating outage communications with impacted market participants. The IMO may also be obligated by the market rules to duplicate coordination activity that is already being conducted by the transmitter. The rules need to reflect that the coordination role may be carried out by other entities and to address the fact that there are times when the IMO may coordinate activities with directly impacted market participants without obligating the IMO to do so in all cases.</p>

PART 4 – PROPOSAL (BY SUBMITTER)

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

<p>It is proposed to revise section 1.2.2 in Chapter 5 to revise the obligation on the IMO such that the IMO would coordinate its activities with transmitters or with directly impacted market participants.</p>

PART 5 – FOR IMO USE ONLY

Technical Panel Decision on Rule Amendment Submission	
MR number: MR-00225-Q00	
Date submitted to Technical Panel: May 20, 2003	
Accepted by Technical Panel as: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Minor (please indicate with X)	Date: May 20, 2003
Criteria for acceptance: f): It identifies ambiguity or confusion within the rules that cause interpretation confusion and leads to poor coordination of implementation or to future disputes; h): It identifies ways to simplify the market and/or reduce participant or IMO costs.	
Priority: Medium	
Criteria for assigning priority: d): Practical consequences.	
Not accepted (please indicate with X):	
Clarification/interpretation required (please indicate with X):	
Technical Panel minutes reference: IMOTP 126-1	
Technical Panel Comments: This market rule amendment submission does not preempt the work of a separate stakeholdering working group, initiated by Pat Doran of the IMO, which is reviewing the overall outage planning process.	