

E-mailed comments from Direct Energy
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Melissa

Direct Energy Marketing Limited would like to offer the following comments with regards the Improvements to AESO Consultation Process for Rule Development.

We fully support the process described at the October 22, 2009 Stakeholder Consultation. We would like to see the following to be considered.

- At the time notices of rule changes are posted we would like the AESO to identify the type of market participant who may be affected:

For example: Generators, Marketers, Retailers. Too often we have found a rule change to resolve a generator issue results in an issue for another type of market participant. This will help market participants in identifying when they may need to participate, it will also add to the transparency and ultimately the efficiency of the process.

- All rule change consultations should have clear timelines clearly stating "gates" and when the filing to the AUC is scheduled.

We feel this is necessary to ensure market participants and the AESO can manage their time and set their priorities. It will also prevent issues taking longer to resolve than necessary. We stress a need for balance between input and the need to make a rule change.

We look forward to further commenting as the process is finalised.

Thank You

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