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1 Purpose

This Information Document sets out the AESO's general principles for administering emergency assistance with its adjacent balancing authorities if and when required.

2 Related Authoritative Documents

The AESO's Authoritative Documents consist of ISO rules, the ISO tariff and the Alberta Reliability Standards. Authoritative documents contain binding rights, requirements and obligations for market participants and the ISO. Market participants and the ISO are required to comply with provisions set out in authoritative documents.

Market participants are encouraged to review the authoritative documents related to this information document which include:

- (1) EOP-001-AB-2 *Emergency Operations Planning* ("EOP-001-AB-2")

The AESO administers emergency assistance energy in accordance with the Northwest Power Pool Reserve Sharing Program, and with operating agreements, as necessary, as contemplated in EOP-001-AB-2.

3 General Principles Regarding Emergency Assistance Energy with Adjacent Balancing Authorities

For transparency, the following represent the general principles represented in any operating agreement the AESO may have with its adjacent balancing authorities:

- (1) Either party, the AESO or the adjacent balancing authority may request emergency assistance after making all efforts to address its needs through existing market mechanisms prior to requesting emergency assistance;
- (2) The party receiving a request for emergency assistance energy will use reasonable efforts to supply the emergency assistance energy from its own system subject to:
 - (a) Emergency assistance energy will be provided for up to one hour or until the requesting party notifies the providing party that the emergency assistance energy is no longer required, whichever is the lesser;
 - (b) Emergency assistance energy may be provided after the first hour only if a separate request has been received;
 - (c) The providing party will not risk reliability of its own system;
 - (d) Emergency assistance energy will be provided only from supplemental reserve or from spinning reserve that is in excess of the required amount of spinning reserve and, the providing party will include this energy as part of its supplemental reserve;

- (e) Emergency assistance energy is considered interruptible and will be curtailed as required for a supply contingency in the providing party's system within 10 minutes from the time of the notification to the requesting party;
- (f) Emergency assistance energy may be curtailed when supplemental reserve is required for native load, Northwest Power Pool contingency reserve obligations, or any other Northwest Power Pool, Western Electricity Coordinating Council or North American Electric Reliability Corporation obligation;
- (g) Emergency assistance energy will be supplied only to the extent that:
 - (i) There is transmission capacity available up to the total transfer capability limit on the intertie;
 - (ii) Scheduled import and export transactions are not affected; if scheduled transactions and emergency assistance energy exceed total transfer capability limit on the intertie, then emergency assistance energy will be reduced first before reducing scheduled transactions.
 - (iii) Should the total transfer capability limit be violated during delivery of emergency energy, action will be taken to reduce the actual flow to within the total transfer capability limit.
- (h) Within three business days of the provision of emergency assistance energy, the requesting party will prepare and provide the providing party with a brief written report summarizing the details of the emergency energy provision;
- (i) Repayment for emergency assistance energy delivered will be made in kind; emergency energy assistance delivered in on peak hours will be repaid in on peak hours and emergency energy assistance delivered in off peak hours will be repaid in off peak hours;
- (j) The requesting party will use reasonable efforts to return energy within one calendar week of receipt of the emergency assistance energy and at the time requested by the providing party; and
- (k) Emergency energy will be settled in kind.

Revision History

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