

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Dear Stakeholders:

**Re: Update on the AESO's approach to developing the technical design of the capacity market**

The AESO published the first draft of its Comprehensive Market Design proposal on January 26. In the [cover letter](#) for CMD 1, the AESO announced that it would publish the second draft of the CMD proposal (CMD 2) on March 15. However, the AESO has decided to postpone CMD 2 until April 24 to allow more time to consider feedback received from working groups and other stakeholders about CMD 1 and to conduct additional analysis. As a result of this decision, the AESO will be producing a total of four CMD drafts instead of five between January 26 (CMD 1) and the final CMD proposal on June 29.

Please note that with this decision there is no change to the [CMD engagement schedule](#). The AESO will now be using both the February working group sessions as well as the April CMD working group sessions to refine CMD 1. Further, the AESO is also extending the deadline for feedback about CMD 1 from working group members and industry stakeholders from February 22 to February 27.

Please don't hesitate to contact us at [capacitymarket@aeso.ca](mailto:capacitymarket@aeso.ca) should this information prompt any questions.

Yours truly,

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