

Stakeholder Comment Matrix – Dec. 19, 2019
Request for feedback on 2020 plan for market-related initiatives



Period of Comment: Dec. 19, 2019 through Jan. 17, 2020 Comments From: Company Name Date: [yyyy/mm/dd]	Contact: [REDACTED] Phone: [REDACTED] Email:
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The AESO is seeking comments from stakeholders on its 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives.

	Questions	Stakeholder Comments
1.	Is the publication of the <i>2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives</i> useful to you? Would any additional information be helpful? Please be specific.	No, I don't find it particularly useful. Segment timing seems too short. No idea of associated costs or even the expertise of the people involved. I.e., is this Plan ideological or practical? The DER component is troubling since maximum capacity does NOT relate to actual provision of electricity. E.g., zero from Solar and less than 4% from Wind at the moment. At what cost are we pursuing initiatives in this area when we are forced to import power from Montana coal generation facilities?
2.	Are there any additional market-related initiatives that in your view require the AESO's and stakeholders' attention in 2020 that are not listed in the <i>2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives</i> ?	Distribution/transmission and associated costs to stakeholders needs to be critically examined as part of any initiative. This cost already forms a huge part of electricity bill—in December it was 1.57 times the cost of actual energy used for our residence. Any "plan" must do a cost:benefit analysis of options which includes this cost AND includes actual energy AVAILABLE/PROVIDED day by day as opposed to what the facility was designed to optimally produce, as well as the cost to backup DER power sources when power from this source is not available. While storage facilities may help with the provision problem, one has to ask at "what additional cost?" and what are the long term maintenance/replacement costs associated not only with storage but also with the facility itself?
3.	Do you have suggested changes to the timing of initiatives in the <i>2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives</i> schedule? If yes, please be specific to why you would like to see the timing changed and what the suggested timing should look like.	See above.

4.	Do you have any other suggestions or comments you would like to share with the AESO related to the <i>2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives</i> publication?	<i>See above.</i> In addition, given the timing of the release of this document (December 19, 2019) it feels like “feedback” was not really a high priority goal (within a month from release, over the holiday season). I only found the document today, by accident.
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Thank you for your input. Please email your comments to: stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca.