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

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Date: 2020/01/15

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	Questions	Stakeholder Comments
1.	Is the publication of the 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives useful to you? Would any additional information be helpful? Please be specific.	Yes, it is useful.
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 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives?	We believe attention should be given to the utilization of Operating Reserves and market rules surrounding them for demand response participation. Many valuable DR resources are not currently leveraged owing to i) lack of ability to offer in hourly but rather only as on/off-peak, and ii) the minimum aggregation size of 5 MW. We'd like the AESO to consider changing both of these requirements to allow for more granular submission to the market of DR participating as operating reserves. This would also allow for more energy storage to participate as OR as well, as smaller units coming online don't currently have access to the market.
		Additionally, absent a capacity market construct, we'd encourage the AESO to consider whether additional emergency-only resource types are valuable to reliable operations. For example, allocating a fixed amount of spending to an emergency-only demand response resource would bring numerous more MW into the market for emergency-only situations when supply shortfalls happen. One other energy-only market that does this is ERCOT with their Emergency Response Service (ERS) program.
3.	Do you have suggested changes to the timing of initiatives in the 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives schedule? If yes, please be specific to why you would like to see the timing changed and what the suggested timing should look like.	No suggested changes. Thank you for this transparency.



4.	Do you have any other suggestions or comments you would like to share with the AESO related to the 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives publication?	Please continue to provide transparency into the process.
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The AESO is seeking comments from stakeholders on its 2020 Plan for Market-Related Initiatives.

Thank you for your input. Please email your comments to: stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca.