

ISO Tariff – Section 2 Provision of and Limitations to System Access Service

Applicability

1 This section applies to a **market participant** who has requested or is receiving **system access service** under any rate in the **ISO tariff**.

Provision of Service

2(1) The **ISO** must provide **system access service**, up to and including the applicable **point of delivery** or **point of supply**, to a **market participant** who has a current agreement for **system access service** and complies with the **ISO tariff**, subject to subsections 3, 4, 5 and 6 below.

(2) The **ISO** must provide such **system access service** up to the **contract capacity** of the **market participant**.

(3) The **ISO** may limit, reduce or interrupt **system access service** under any applicable **ISO rule** or due to abnormal operating conditions which include, as defined in the *Transmission Regulation*, conditions where **transmission facilities** are out of service, **emergency** conditions exist, construction or **commissioning** of **transmission facilities** occurs or **transmission facility** maintenance cannot be coordinated with **planned outages** of a **generating unit** or an **aggregated generating facility**.

Metered Demand Limitations

3(1) A **market participant** receiving **system access service** under Rate DTS, *Demand Transmission Service*, or Rate STS, *Supply Transmission Service*, must ensure **metered demand** does not exceed the lesser of the **rated capacity** or the **physical capacity** of any **transmission facilities** comprising the **market participant's** connection, subject to subsections 3(3) and 3(4) below.

(2) The **ISO** has the right to discontinue **system access service** if the **metered demand** exceeds either the **rated capacity** or the **physical capacity** of any **transmission facilities** comprising a **market participant's** connection, until the **market participant** installs equipment to limit the **metered demand** to the **rated capacity** or **physical capacity**, as applicable.

(3) A **market participant** receiving **system access service** under Rate DTS may temporarily exceed the **rated capacity** of **transmission facilities** comprising its connection, but only where the **ISO** has approved a transaction under Rate DOS for the **market participant** at the applicable **point of delivery**.

(4) A **market participant** receiving **system access service** under Rate STS may temporarily exceed the **rated capacity** of **transmission facilities** comprising its connection, but only with the **ISO's** consent, obtained on a minimum twenty-four (24) hours' notice, which the **ISO** withhold if the **ISO** determines that the **transmission system** cannot safely accommodate the proposed energy without risk of disturbance to other **market participants**.

Withholding Service

4(1) The **ISO** may limit, reduce, withhold or terminate **system access service** if a **market participant** fails to comply with any provision of the **ISO tariff**.

(2) The **ISO** must provide a written explanation for limiting, reducing, withholding or terminating **system access service** to an affected **market participant** who submits a written request for those details.

Service Not Guaranteed

5(1) The **ISO** must take reasonable precautions to guard against **system access service** limitations, reductions and interruptions, but can not and does not guarantee uninterrupted **system access service**.

(2) Interruptions may be caused by events including:

- (a) scheduled or planned facility maintenance activities;
- (b) construction, **commissioning** and facility testing activities;
- (c) unscheduled or unplanned **emergency** equipment maintenance or other **emergencies**;
- (d) events of **force majeure**;
- (e) breaches of obligations owed to the **ISO** by its suppliers or **market participants**; or
- (f) as otherwise expressly allowed by a rate or rider in the **ISO tariff**.

(3) The **ISO** must make reasonable efforts to restore **system access service** as soon as practicable after a limitation, reduction or interruption, except where the limitation, reduction or interruption is due to the **market participant** failing to comply with the **ISO tariff**.

Interruptions for Construction, Commissioning and Facility Testing

6 The **ISO** must make reasonable efforts to schedule construction, **commissioning** and facility testing activities in conjunction with planned downtime of an affected **market participant's** but, subject to such efforts, may interrupt **system access service** to perform such activities.

Market Participant's Continuing Financial Obligations

7 A **market participant's financial obligation** to pay any rate, charge or other amount that has accrued or is accruing to the **ISO** and to fully comply with the **ISO tariff** are not affected during or as the result of any limitation, reduction, interruption, withholding or termination of **system access service**.

Reasonable Exercise of Discretion

8 The **ISO**, the **legal owner** of the **transmission facility** and the **market participant**, individually and collectively, must exercise discretion acting reasonably in every instance, where discretion is permitted by the **ISO tariff** either explicitly or implicitly through the use of "may", and whether with respect to granting consent or withholding consent to a particular matter or otherwise.

Revision History

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