
**Wholesale Electricity Market
Pre Market Rule Change Discussion Paper
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Urgency:	High
Change Proposal title:	Forced Outage Notification to the IMO
Market Rule(s) affected:	Clauses 3.18.6, 3.21.4, 7.3.4, 7.13.1

Details of the proposed Market Rule Change

1) Outline the issue concerning the existing Market Rules that is to be addressed by the proposed Market Rule change:

Currently, the Reserve Capacity Refund Mechanism (RCRM) results in an inequitable treatment of Market Participants with respect to un

2) Explain the reason for the degree of urgency:

The issue is a manifest error of the Market Rules and should be resolved as soon as possible. Therefore, System Management submits that the amendment should be subject to the Fast Track Rule Change process, on the basis that it satisfies MR 2.5.9(b).

3) Provide any proposed specific changes to particular Rules (for clarity, please use the current wording of the Rules and place a ~~strikethrough~~ where words are deleted and underline words added)

3.18.6. The information submitted in an Outage Plan must include:

- (a) identity of the Facility or item of equipment that will be unavailable;
- (b) the quantity of any de-rating, where this quantity is in accordance with 3.21.6;
- (c) the reason for the outage;
- (d) the proposed start and end times of the outage;
- (e) an assessment of risks that might extend the outage;
- (f) details of the time it would take the Facility or item of equipment to return to service, if required; and
- (g) contingency plans for the early return to service of the Facility or item of equipment("Outage Contingency Plans").

3.21.4. If a Facility or item of equipment that is on the list described in clause 3.18.2 or a

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(b) The maximum capacity is:

- i. For generators with a Reserve Capacity Obligation Quantity greater than zero, the value of the Reserve Capacity Obligation Quantity plus the value of Non-Credit Capacity, as indicated in clause 3.21.8, on a sent out basis at 41 degrees Celsius.
- ii. For all other generators, the maximum capacity as indicated in Standing Data, on a sent out basis at 41 degrees Celsius.
- iii. For all other non-generation facilities with a Reserve Capacity Obligation Quantity greater than zero, the value of the Reserve Capacity Obligation Quantity, at 41 degrees Celsius.
- iv. For all other non-generation facilities, the nominated maximum demand as indicated in Standing Data, at 41 degrees Celsius.

5) Provide any identifiable costs and benefits of the change:**Benefits:**

- Participants providing capacity in excess of RCOQ not penalised inappropriately.
- Increased Power System Security and Reliability through the provision of capacity in excess of RCOQ.
- Greater ability for Participants to schedule planned outages due to increased system margins.
- Reduced costs to Participants.

Costs:

- This change will require modifications to SMMITS. The currently approved budget for the SMMITS project should cover the required changes and should not require System Management to seek a Declared Market Project. Under currently scheduling, System Management intends to complete SMMITS changes by October 2007 should this Rule Change Proposal be approved.
 - No changes to WEMS are required.
 - No changes to Participant processes are required.
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