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## IESO Bulletin

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### Engagement

#### SAC agenda now available for August 23 meeting

The [Agenda](#) for the August 23 Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting is now available on the [SAC webpage](#). Meeting materials will follow shortly.

Agenda items will invite input and discussion on a number of IESO initiatives including the Conservation Framework Mid-Term Review and the Market Renewal program. Members and attendees will also receive updates on a number of IESO business items including the IESO business planning process and activities within Conservation, the Smart Metering Entity as well as updates on a number of current engagement initiatives.

The IESO is also pleased to welcome Michael Cleland, Senior Fellow with [the Positive Energy Project](#) at the University of Ottawa. Mr. Cleland will speak about the research paper entitled [System Under Stress: Energy Decision-Making in Canada and the Need for Informed Reform](#) and invite discussion

from attendees to support the University's efforts to determine how to strengthen public confidence in energy decision-making.

The meeting is open to all interested parties and is being held in downtown Toronto from 9:00 am (registration opens at 8:30 am) to 12:00 pm. To register, send an email to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca) indicating whether you would like to attend the SAC meeting in person or participate via teleconference.

## **Market and System Operations**

### **Final Release Plan for changes to IESO IT systems now posted**

The Final Release Plan is now posted for Release 38.0 on the [IT Release Schedule webpage](#). Four changes are included in this release.

The Sandbox version of the Market Information Management (MIM) IDK will be removed from service on August 17 and the Production version will no longer be available after September 13. The MIM API will be available via the API web services which was introduced last summer. More information can be found in the [Quick Reference Guide to MIM API Web Services](#).

A necessary software upgrade will result in cosmetic changes to the IESO Report Site. These changes will only be visible to participants logging in to retrieve confidential reports and will not have any effect on participants using automated RESTful webAPI and SFTP. These changes may also be seen in the Sandbox environment after August 17.

New and modified Online Settlement Forms will be available July 28 related to the Ontario Fair Hydro Plan and the Real-Time Generation Cost Guarantee (RT-GCG) program. The forms related to the Ontario Fair Hydro Plan will allow impacted participants to submit settlement claims. The forms related to the RT-GCG program will allow impacted market participants to submit settlement claims using the new RT-GCG form.

In addition to the changes noted above, enhancements for users of the Outage Coordination and Scheduling System (OCSS) are now available in Sandbox.

Comments and feedback can be sent to [pending.changes@ieso.ca](mailto:pending.changes@ieso.ca)

### **Solar Eclipse Information Webinar – August 3, 2017**

A solar eclipse is forecasted to pass over parts of the continental U.S. and Canada on August 21, 2017. Although Ontario will only see a partial eclipse, IESO's Operations group is planning for any potential impacts this may have on the electricity grid. All interested stakeholders are invited to participate in an information webinar on August 3 at 1:00 pm to learn how the IESO will forecast the conditions and plan for the potential actions that may be required by the IESO to maintain reliability.

This meeting will be of particular interest to people that manage, plan and operate facilities in the electricity system; however, participation is open to all interested parties.

Email [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca) to register for the Solar Eclipse Information Webinar on August 3 at 1:00 pm.

## **Planned IT Outages**

The IESO's [Planned IT System Outages](#) web page provides an easy way to view all planned outages. The page is updated frequently and planned outages are posted as soon as they are finalized.

## **Upcoming Events**

- August 1: [Enabling System Flexibility Meeting](#) (Toronto)
  - August 1: [Capacity Exports Meeting](#) (Toronto)
  - August 3: [Solar Eclipse Information Webinar](#)
  - August 15: [Technical Panel Meeting](#) (Toronto)
  - August 16: [Market Renewal – Incremental Capacity Auction Meeting](#) (Toronto)
  - August 17: [Market Renewal – Single Schedule Market Meeting](#) (Toronto)
  - August 23: [Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting](#) (Toronto)
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