

reasons for informational purposes only and without affecting in any way the finality or validity of the determination.

**2.3.3.5.4** In the event an Operator of facilities forming part of the ISO Controlled Grid cancels an Approved Maintenance Outage after 5:00 a.m. of the day prior to the day upon which the outage is scheduled to commence and the ISO determines that the change was not required to preserve System Reliability, the ISO may disregard the availability of the affected facilities in determining the availability of transmission capacity in the Day-Ahead Market, provided, however, that the ISO will, as promptly as practicable, notify Market Participants and reflect the availability of the affected facilities in determining the availability of transmission capacity in the Hour-Ahead Market.

**2.3.3.6 Maintenance Outage Requests by the ISO.** The ISO Outage Coordination Office may at any time request a Maintenance Outage or a change to an Approved Maintenance Outage from an Operator if, in the opinion of the ISO Outage Coordination Office, the requested Maintenance Outage or change is required to secure the efficient use and reliable operation of the ISO Controlled Grid. In addition, the ISO Outage Coordination Office may, by providing notice no later than 5:00 a.m. of the day prior to the day upon which the outage is scheduled to commence, direct the Operator of facilities forming part of the ISO Controlled Grid to cancel an Approved Maintenance Outage, when necessary to preserve or maintain System Reliability or to avoid unduly significant market impacts that would arise if the outage were to proceed as scheduled. The Operator, acting in accordance with Good Utility Practice, shall comply with the ISO's direction and the provisions of Sections 2.3.3.6.1 and 2.3.3.6.2 shall apply. The ISO shall give notice of any such direction to Market Participants prior to the deadline for submission of initial Preferred Day-Ahead Schedules for the day on which the outage was to have commenced.

For purposes of this section, an "unduly significant market impact" means an unplanned event or circumstance (e.g., unseasonable weather, a forced outage of a facility, or other occurrence) that adversely affects the competitive nature and efficient workings of the ISO markets, and is of such severity that a prudent transmission operator would not have scheduled a transmission maintenance outage of its facility if the unplanned event or circumstance could have been anticipated.

**2.3.3.6.1** The Operator may: (1) refuse the request; (2) agree to the request; or (3) agree to the request subject to specific conditions. The Operator, acting in accordance with Good Utility Practice, shall make every effort to comply with requests by the ISO Outage Coordination Office. In the event that the Operator refuses the ISO's request, it shall provide to the ISO Outage Coordination Office written jurisdiction for its position.

**2.3.3.6.2** In response the ISO Outage Coordination Office may: (1) overrule any refusal of a Maintenance Outage or a change to an Approved Maintenance Outage by an Operator, in which case the ISO Outage Coordination Office determination shall be final; (2) accept any changes or conditions proposed by the Operator, in which case the Maintenance Outage request or the request to change an Approved Maintenance Outage shall be deemed to be amended accordingly; or (3) reject the change or condition, in which case the ISO Outage Coordination Office and the Operator shall determine if acceptable alternative conditions or changes can be agreed. If the Operator and the ISO Outage Coordination Office cannot agree on acceptable alternative conditions or changes to the ISO Coordination Office's request for a

Maintenance Outage or change to an Approved Maintenance Outage, the ISO Outage Coordination Office determination shall be final.

**2.3.3.6.3** The ISO will compensate the applicable Participating TO for any direct and verifiable costs that such Participating TO incurs as a result of the ISO's cancellation of an Approved Maintenance Outage pursuant to this Section 2.3.3.6. For purposes of this section, direct costs include verifiable labor and equipment rental costs that have been incurred by the applicable Participating TO solely as a result of the ISO's cancellation of the Approved Maintenance Outage. Each Participating TO must make a reasonable effort to avoid incurring any such direct costs through such measures as, but not limited to, the prompt cancellation of all contractual arrangements with third parties related to the Approved Maintenance Outage.

**2.3.3.6.4** The amount used to compensate each applicable Participating TO, as described in Section 2.3.3.6.3, shall be charged to the Scheduling Coordinators in proportion to their metered Demand (including Exports).

**2.3.3.7** The ISO Outage Coordination Office shall provide notice to the Operator of the approval or disapproval of any requested Maintenance Outage. Additionally, the ISO Outage Coordination Office shall notify any Connected Entity that may in the reasonable opinion of the ISO Outage Coordination Office be directly affected by an Approved Maintenance Outage. The content of and procedures for such notice shall be established by the ISO in consultation with the ISO Grid Operations Committee.

**2.3.3.8 Final Approval.** On the day on which an Approved Maintenance Outage is scheduled to commence for facilities forming part of the ISO Controlled Grid and Reliability Must-Run Units, the Operator shall contact the ISO Control Center for final approval of the Maintenance Outage. No Maintenance Outage shall commence without such final approval (including the time of release, in hours and minutes) being obtained from the ISO Control Center whose decision shall be final.

**2.3.3.9 Forced Outages.**

**2.3.3.9.1** Coordination of all Forced Outages (consistent with Section 2.3.3.1) will be through the single point of contact between the Operator and the ISO Control Center.

**2.3.3.9.2** All notifications of Forced Outages shall be communicated to the ISO Control Center with as much notice as possible in order that the necessary security

