



Decision on energy management system replacement project budget

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The ISO is working to replace the aging energy management system (EMS)

- The ISO's energy management system is a mission critical grid operations decision support monitoring and control system.
- The requirements for the current EMS were completed prior to the full network model expansion over the last several years.
- As a response to operational events the ISO had to expand network model significantly and increase frequency of security applications execution.
- The EMS performance and sizing requirements will continue to grow over the next several years.
- ISO information system requirements continue to evolve for EMS application architecture robustness, security, flexibility and manageability.
- Current quarterly enterprise data model updates do not meet requirements for the expanding market.

In support of the ISO Strategic Vision, the new EMS will ...

- Support the ISO market program through enhanced scalability, performance, and robustness
- Improve reliability, security, and compliance through the introduction of new technology and continued CIP standard compliance
- Facilitate the integration of renewable energy resources, storage devices, and demand response through support for an expanded enterprise data model supporting more frequent model promotions
- Support a high-availability architecture that improves business continuity
- Provide improved tools for system monitoring, patching, and maintenance

An advanced user interface will improve situational awareness for Operations through ...

- Enhanced visualization and data presentation tools
- A single framework with the ability to present data from multiple systems (EMS, RTCA, SE, market information, forecast, weather, etc.) within the same user interface
- A reduced number of tools needed for viewing critical information
- A standardized look and feel designed specifically for the ISO
- A web based architecture and user interface
- The use of a service oriented architecture that provides flexibility and transparency

Management recommends the Board approve the energy management system replacement project budget.