

Business Practice Manual (BPM) Change Management Process

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Why do we need a Business Process Manual (BPM) Change Process

- Detailed instructions that supplement the Tariff
- BPMs for 13 key functional areas
- Proposed process combines and balances
 - Good ideas from other ISOs
 - Stakeholder Needs Due process, i.e. notice and opportunity to comment
 - CAISO Needs Orderly management of changes
- Board approval for tariff amendment to enable the BPM Change Management Process

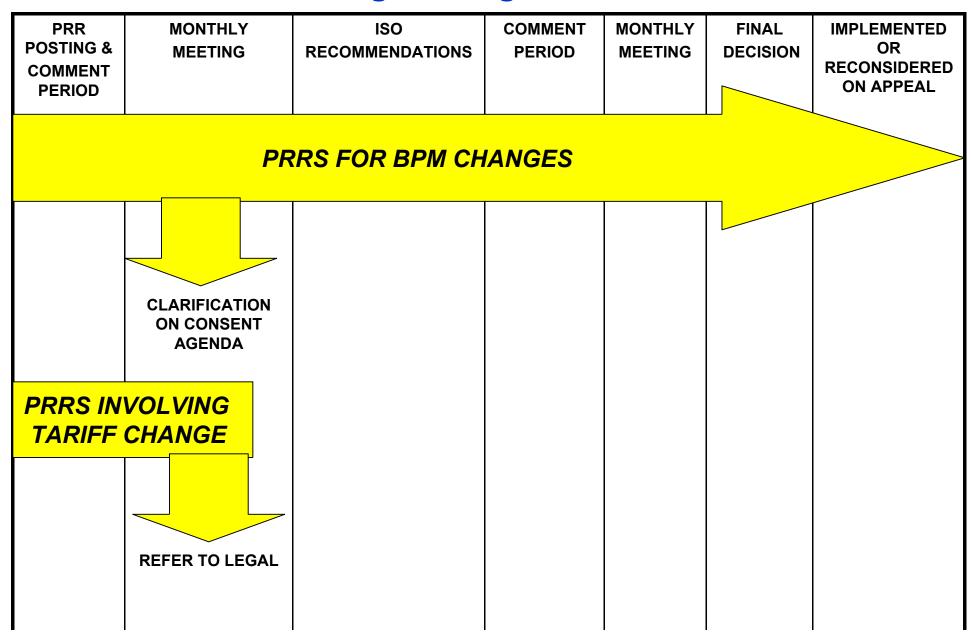


We designed a systematic and transparent approach for change management

- Proposed Revision Request (PRR)
 - Used by everyone market participants or ISO
 - Posted and transparent
 - Defines Issue and impacts
- PRRs 3 broad categories
 - Clarification
 - More substantive changes
 - Tariff impact alternate treatment
- WEB-enabled process!
- Monthly stakeholder meetings



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Revisions in Emergency Circumstances

- Immediate Changes by CAISO when:
 - Change necessary to avoid substantial adverse impact on system reliability, security or CAISO markets, and
- Continuing public process requires CAISO to:
 - Solicit stakeholder comments prior to evoking the change if practicable,
 - Issue a Market Notice concerning emergency revisions
 - Post notice on the web, and
 - Submit the emergency change to standard review process while the change remains in effect



Process improved based on Stakeholder feedback

- Initial proposal to stakeholders mid-2006
- Subsequent revisions in Dec 06 and Mar 07 and April 07
- Stakeholders generally supportive
- Remaining concerns from some stakeholders
 - Unilateral ISO Authority
 - Lack of formal stakeholder voting
 - Lack of formal governing board approval
 - BPMs should be filed at FERC



Work planned for successful Feb 08 launch

- File enabling tariff language with FERC on May 2
- Discuss at upcoming FERC BPM technical workshop
- Develop internal process
- Design web site



Result – Consistent, orderly and transparent change process that balances multiple needs

- Transparency
- Direct Stakeholder participation
- Management accountability for business practices