

## Memorandum

**To:** ISO Board of Governors

**From:** Karen Edson, Vice President, Policy and Client Services

**Date:** September 1, 2010

**Re:** Informational Report on BPM Change Management Activities

This memorandum does not require Board action.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This memorandum is a regular report required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to inform the ISO Board of Governors on the status of the business practice manual change requests submitted by stakeholders and the California Independent System Operator Corporation.

The ISO inaugurated the public change management process for business practice manuals (BPMs) on April 1, 2009. Both the ISO and stakeholders use the same electronic system and process to submit and track proposed changes to the BPMs. The process includes stakeholder review, ISO approval or rejection, and a possible appeal to the BPM Appeals Committee, which is comprised of three ISO officers.

As of August 12, 2010, 60 proposed revision requests (PRRs) were active in the BPM change management system, 59 of which were submitted by the ISO. One PRR submitted by a market participant is in the final decision stage. These 60 active PRRs impact the following BPMs:

- 1 Compliance Monitoring
- 4 Definitions and Acronyms
- 1 Managing Full Network Model
- 4 Market Instruments
- 6 Market Operations
- 1 Metering
- 1 Outage Management
- 3 Reliability Requirements
- 1 Rules of Conduct Administration
- 1 Scheduling Coordinator Certification and Termination
- 36 Settlements and Billing
- 1 Transmission Planning Process

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No BPM decisions are under stakeholder appeal.

## PROCESS OVERVIEW

The ISO held the monthly BPM change management stakeholder meeting on July 28, 2010. The meeting, which was conducted by conference call, included fifteen stakeholders. Based on the nature of the meeting, and upon the types of comments entered into the BPM change management electronic system, it appears that stakeholders are generally satisfied with the process, as well as with the progress made on the active PRRs.

## BPM CHANGE MANAGEMENT REPORT

The current *BPM Change Management Process* report, which includes all the active PRRs as of August 12, 2010, is included as Attachment 1. In compliance with the tariff Board reporting requirements, the report:

- Summarizes the total number of active PRRs submitted by stakeholders and by the ISO;
- Depicts the number of active PRRs in various steps along the PRR lifecycle, as of August 12, 2010;
- Reflects those PRRs upon which Management has posted its final decision for the period June 28, 2010 through August 12, 2010; and
- Includes PRRs currently under stakeholder appeal, the stakeholder positions on rejected PRRs, and the reasons for rejection.

The following is additional relevant information:

- No PRRs are under stakeholder appeal.
- One active PRR related to Transmission Planning Process was submitted into the electronic system by the ISO on an emergency basis. One active PRR related to Reliability Requirements was submitted into the electronic system by the ISO on an Urgent basis.
- A PRR report as of August 12, 2010 is included as Attachment 2. This report summarizes PRRs added to the BPM change management system since the July Board report.

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