

Memorandum

To: ISO Board of Governors

From: Benjamin F. Hobbs, Chair, ISO Market Surveillance Committee

Date: May 12, 2021

Re: Briefing on MSC activities from March 16, 2021 to May 10, 2021

This memorandum does not require Board action.

Over this time period, the MSC drafted and adopted two Opinions, and made presentations to the Board of Governors on each Opinion.

The first of the two Opinions concerned the proposed minimum state-of-charge requirement for battery resources that are under resource adequacy contracts.¹ This proposed requirement was part of the ISO's resource adequacy Phase 1 initiative.² The draft Opinion was posted March 16, 2021 and was adopted at a March 23, 2021 general session teleconference meeting held by the MSC. Chairman Ben Hobbs of the MSC provided an oral summary the Opinion at the March 24-25, 2021 Board of Governors meeting.

The second of the two Opinions³ addressed export, load, and wheeling scheduling priorities within the California ISO system, which was a portion of the market enhancements for 2021 summer readiness initiative.⁴ The draft Opinion was posted on April 14, 2021. The MSC then adopted the final version of the Opinion during its April 16, 2021 general session teleconference meeting. MSC Member Jim Bushnell presented a summary of the Opinion at the April, 21, 2021 Board of Governors meeting and April 19, 2021 Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body meeting.

Also during the period covered by this memo, MSC Members Scott Harvey and Ben Hobbs made a presentation to the ISO Board of Governors during their March 24-25, 2021 meeting on the MSC Opinion on market enhancements for summer 2021 readiness. That Opinion was adopted on March 8, 2021, and discussed in the previous MSC Board memo of March 15, 2021.

The MSC plans to hold its next general session meeting on May 21, 2021.

¹ J. Bushnell, S.M. Harvey, B.F. Hobbs, *Opinion on Resource Adequacy Enhancements Phase I: Minimum State of Charge Requirements*, Market Surveillance Committee of the California Independent System Operator, www.caiso.com/Documents/FinalMSCOpiniononresourceadequacyenhancementsphase1MSOC-Mar23_2021.pdf

² <https://stakeholdercenter.caiso.com/StakeholderInitiatives/Resource-adequacy-enhancements>

³ J. Bushnell, S.M. Harvey, B.F. Hobbs, *Opinion on Market Enhancements for Summer 2021 Readiness: Export, Load, and Wheeling Priorities*. Market Surveillance Committee of the California Independent System Operator, www.caiso.com/Documents/MSCOpinion-MarketEnhancements-2021SummerReadiness-ExportLoad-WheelingPriorities-Apr16-20221.pdf

⁴ <https://stakeholdercenter.caiso.com/StakeholderInitiatives/Market-enhancements-for-summer-2021-readiness>