

The following is a summary of the May 11 meeting between IESO senior management and the Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC).

The purpose of this meeting was to engage the Committee in an initial high level discussion of the IESO's approach to the development of the 2012-2014 IESO Business Plan. The Business Plan will be reviewed with SAC at the August meeting prior to being submitted for approval to the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure and the Ontario Energy Board.

In the meeting the IESO outlined the following:

- themes identified in the priorities submitted by each of the Committee representatives
- IESO strategic objectives and key initiatives for 2012
- questions to guide feedback from the Committee on the IESO's objectives and initiatives for the June SAC-Board meeting

Summaries of each of these are provided below.

## **SECTOR PRIORITY THEMES**

The IESO reviewed the priorities for Ontario's electricity market submitted by each of the sector representatives and identified the common themes. In 2011, the IESO heard that priorities are similar to those identified in 2010, and include the following:

- integrating renewable generation into IESO processes
- developing a market roadmap with stakeholders
- moving forward with competitive markets and clear price signals (an extension of market roadmap)
- creating a solution to address Surplus Baseload Generation
- continuing implementation of Time-of-Use billing and the MDM/R concern with rising costs for consumers

Some newer themes also emerged, including:

- expanding the Global Adjustment allocation beyond Class A customers
- providing information to help consumers make informed decisions
- providing leadership on the development of a smart grid
- concern with agency overlap

## **IESO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND KEY INITIATIVES**

The IESO has launched three key initiatives which address priorities identified by SAC members in 2010: Renewable Integration, Electricity Market Forum and Energy Modeling.

These initiatives were also in response to the changes that began taking place in Ontario's electricity sector last year and formed the foundation of IESO business planning for 2011-2013. These are all multi-year initiatives that will continue to be part of the IESO's business plan over the 2012-2015 business planning cycle.

In addition to these initiatives the IESO is also expanding its strategic objectives to include an increased focus on the consumer. The current strategic objectives include:

- Maintaining reliability
- Preparing for future operations
- Efficiently managing our business
- Effectively contributing to the development and implementation of government policy

## **QUESTIONS FOR THE STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The IESO asked the Committee to share this information with their constituents to enable them to provide more detailed feedback at the joint meeting of the SAC and the IESO Board June 15. The following questions are intended to guide the feedback provided by each sector.

1. Does your sector support the overall direction and intent of the IESO's strategic objectives?
2. Does your sector continue to support initiatives identified as the IESO's primary focus for the next three years?
  - a. Renewable Integration (includes managing Surplus Baseload Generation)
  - b. Market Roadmap
  - c. Energy Modeling
3. Is there a strategy or initiative the IESO has identified that your sector would not consider a priority?
4. Is there something substantial that is not being addressed by the IESO?
5. The IESO will be expanding its strategic objectives to include an increased focus on the consumer. From the SAC's perspective, what should this include? How would each of the sectors recommend the IESO accomplish this?