Briefing on Policy Initiatives Catalog and Roadmap

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Goals for the Policy Catalog and Roadmap

• **Meaningfully engage external stakeholders**
  – Stakeholders propose and advocate for their own initiatives
  – Final catalog includes stakeholder prioritization

• **Transparent**
  – Clear methods to identify and prioritize proposals
  – Open and transparent access to all stakeholders to influence policy enhancements roadmap

• **Allows stakeholder prioritization to be considered in the ISO’s internal planning processes, together with:**
  – Alignment with ISO strategic goals and already planned work
  – Project impact on market efficiency and system reliability
  – Implementation cost
  – Other ISO commitments

• **Incorporate urgent requests**
2024 ISO Policy Initiatives Catalog & Roadmap Process

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Process requires stakeholder input:
- Proposing initiatives
- Presenting initiatives
- Consolidating and refining requests
- Prioritizing catalog
Regional Issues Forum Roundtable

• Final proposal for WEIM Governance Review – Phase 3 (EDAM)
  – Expanded role for the RIF in identifying and prioritizing discretionary policy initiatives
• ISO Policy Initiatives Catalog and Roadmap Process
  – RIF roundtable included as a step in ISO prioritization process
  – Liaisons for each sector presented sector-level input regarding themes, issues, and priorities
  – Initial synthesis of common priorities among sectors
  – Remarks on behalf of the Body of State Regulators, the WEIM Governing Body, ISO management, and public comment
• Roundtable report published on April 30th
Categorizing Stakeholder Submissions

Submitted ideas fall into four categories:

1. **Discretionary initiatives** – candidates for the catalog
2. **Non-discretionary initiatives** (e.g. FERC Orders)
3. **Issues being addressed** in current initiatives / working groups
4. **Process improvements:**
   - Includes suggestions related to existing processes and requests for additional transparency
   - The ISO will determine whether to further address and how to prioritize

The ISO will respond to all submissions.
Prioritization and stakeholder input

- Stakeholder prioritization survey for catalog submissions closed June 26, with results published mid-July
- Survey allowed each stakeholder to nominate:
  - One category of initiatives as top priority
  - Two individual initiatives as top priorities
  - Rank remaining initiatives as support, neutral, or oppose

- Ancillary Services
- Bidding flexibility
- Congestion revenue rights
- Demand response
- New supply technology
- Resource adequacy
- Storage
- Transmission planning
- Western energy imbalance market
Next Steps: Internal Prioritization & Roadmap Development

- Stakeholder prioritization will be considered in the ISO’s internal planning processes, together with:
  - Alignment with ISO strategic goals and existing planning
  - Project impact on market efficiency and system reliability
  - Implementation cost
  - Other ISO commitments

- Draft policy roadmap published in September
- Final policy roadmap published in December
  - presented to WEIM Governing Body and ISO Board of Governors