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ATTENDEES

	Name	Designation/Position	Department/Company
1	Jesusito G. Morallos	Chairperson/Independent	RCC
2	Rachel Angela P. Anosan	Member, Independent	RCC
3	Jose Roderick F. Fernando	Member, Independent	RCC
4	Jordan Rel C. Orillaza	Member, Independent	RCC
5	Darryl Lon A. Ortiz	Member (Principal), Transmission Sector	RCC
6	Cherry A. Javier	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
7	Dixie Anthony R. Banzon	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
8	Carlito C. Claudio	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
9	Michelle S. Tuazon	Member (Alternate), Generation Sector	RCC
10	Ryan S. Morales	Member (Principal), Distribution Sector	RCC
11	Nelson M. Dela Cruz	Member (Principal), Distribution Sector	RCC
12	Virgilio C. Fortich Jr.	Member (Principal), Distribution Sector	RCC
13	Russel S. Alabado	Member (Principal), Distribution Sector	RCC
14	Dennis R. Paragas	Member (Alternate), Supply Sector	RCC
15	Kristoffer Monico S. Ng	Member (Alternate), Market Operator	RCC
16	Jhannelyn D. Marasigan	Observer	DOE
17	John Paulo O. Castro	Observer	DOE
18	Jane May M. Mea	Observer	DOE
19	Chrismah Joy D. Quinones	Observer	DOE
20	Karen A. Varquez	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
21	Divine C. Cruz	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
22	John Eisendel M. Labay	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
23	Mary Rose L. Bisnar	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
24	Leo John A. Juguilon	OCGO Executive Assistant	PEMC
25	Bienvenido C. Mendoza Jr.	Chief Market Assessment Officer	PEMC
26	Josephine C. Corpuz	CC Secretariat	PEMC
27	Hilary Romeli C. Florendo	CC Secretariat	PEMC
28	Marvin Jay A. Masanda	CC Secretariat	PEMC
29	Jayson M. Mendaza	DRA Secretariat	PEMC
30	Gabriel R. Marmeto	DRA Secretariat	PEMC
31	Dianne L. De Guzman	Strategy and Innovation Manager	PEMC
32	Lilibeth Grace L. Vetus		IEMOP



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1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM.

2.0 Determination of Quorum

The quorum was determined with 12 principal and 3 alternate members, and 4 DOE Observers present.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar (Secretariat) presented the revised agenda with the revision of reordering the sequence, discussing the agenda item 6.3 *Request of RCC Member: Additional Regular Attendee in RCC Meetings* after the agenda item 4.0 *Draft Minutes of Previous Meeting*.

The RCC adopted the revised proposed agenda, as presented.

4.0 Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings

4.1 Draft minutes of 227th RCC (Regular) Meeting, 19 January 2024

Ms. Bisnar presented the draft minutes of the meeting held last 19 January 2024. She informed the body that comments were received from Mr. Jordan Rel C. Orillaza (Independent), and his clerical corrections were included.

The RCC approved the minutes of the meeting.

4.2 Draft minutes of 211th RCC (Caucus) Meeting, 10 March 2023

Ms. Bisnar presented the draft minutes of the meeting held last 10 March 2023.

Mr. Orillaza inquired about the delay of the submission for approval of the draft minutes. Ms. Karen A. Varquez (Secretariat) responded that draft was not prioritized but all the discussions on the proposal during the meeting were considered.

The RCC deferred the approval of the draft minutes on the next RCC meeting.

5.0 Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

5.1 Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Non-security Over-riding Constraints.

- Presenter/s: Ms. Divine Gayle C. Cruz (Secretariat)
- Action Requested: For Discussion
- Material/s: None



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Proceedings:

Ms. Divine Gayle C. Cruz (Secretariat) informed the body that PSALM did not provide official response on the RCC's request regarding its view on the dam security and operational issue, despite multiple attempts to communicate by the Secretariat.¹ She added that the NPC-DMD likewise brought up the matter to PSALM.

Ms. Cruz said that the Secretariat likewise communicated with NPC-DMD on the potential withdrawal of the proposal but no response was received from them. With these, Mr. Morillos opined that the RCC may have to officially decide on the proposal by casting a vote on removing the proposal in the RCC Work Plan.

Below are the highlights of the discussions:

- Ms. Rachel Angela P. Anosan (Independent) inquired if the RCC received any rules change proposal from the proponent. If there is no proposal received, she suggested to archive this matter and if yes, the decision of the RCC is needed. Mr. Jesusito G. Morillos (Independent) said that, based on the discussions conducted, it was found that the problem is about the protocol between plant operator and the trader which does not satisfy the criteria on proposing rules change in the WESM.

To answer Ms. Anosan's inquiry, Ms. Cruz said the NPC-DMD submitted its revised proposal, and it was discussed together with its trading partners last 15 September 2023. Based on the discussion, it was noted that the trading partners, apart from PSALM who was not present on that meeting, do not have problems on managing offers to dispatch the request of NPC-DMD to discharge water from the dam.

- Mr. Morillos recalled that the written proposal submitted last 22 February 2023 was superseded by DOE Department Circular on Must-Run or Preferential Dispatch. The RCC deferred the discussion of the proposal to further study if it is still necessary to pursue. Mr. Carlito C. Claudio (Generation) commented that the proposal is not covered on DOE DC regarding Preferential Dispatch. Generating units who provide ancillary services are not qualified as preferential dispatch. He believes that the purpose of the proposal is to put into writing or to document the System Operator's (SO) practice of placing plants on non-security overriding constraints. Mr. Morillos responded that further discussions of the proposal may no longer be needed unless the proponent submitted the revised/updated written proposal. Ms. Cruz clarified that the NPC-DMD has submitted its revised proposal, however it was remanded by the PEM Board. With that, the RCC conducted re-deliberations of the proposal. Based on the last discussion, it was suggested that NPC-DMD and PSALM conduct a separate discussion to determine if the problem is about operational issues, and if it is, then

¹ Communications to PSALM via email sent on 09 October, 08 and 10 November and 11 December 2023, and via Viber on 12 January 2024.



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86 the proposal is no longer needed. However, the meeting between NPC-DMD and PSALM
 87 never happened since the Secretariat received no response from PSALM.
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- 89 • Mr. Orillaza recalled that the proposal is concerned about the safety of the communities near
 90 the dams.
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- 92 • Ms. Cruz confirmed that the procedure on closing the Proposal is not included in the RCC
 93 Internal Rules. The RCC concludes a proposal through either approving or disapproving by
 94 way of a RCC Resolution.
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- 96 • Mr. Jose Roderick F. Fernando (Independent) suggested to write a letter to the proponent if
 97 they are still interested in pursuing the proposal and if they do not respond, the RCC may
 98 deem it withdrawn. The RCC cannot close the proposal since the information/details to decide
 99 on whether the proposal should be approved or disapproved, are insufficient.

101 Agreements:

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- 103 1. The Secretariat will prepare a draft letter to the NPC-DMD if they wish to pursue the
 104 proposal.
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- 106 2. The RCC suggested to review the closure of the past proposals and possible revisions of
 107 the Rules Change Manual/RCC Internal Rules.
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109 5.2 Review of the effectivity of Urgent Amendments

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- 111 • Presenter/s: Mr. John Eisendel M. Labay (Secretariat)
- 112 • Action Requested: For Discussion
- 113 • Material/s: Annex A - Presentation Materials for Review of the effectivity of Urgent
 114 Amendments
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116 Proceedings:

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 118 Mr. John Eisendel M. Labay (Secretariat) discussed the review of the effectivity of urgent
 119 amendments. In his presentation, he highlighted that there were four (4) urgent proposals that
 120 were extended once in 2021 and one (1) urgent proposal that was extended twice, in 2022 and
 121 2023.

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 123 He likewise presented the Secretariat's proposal to revise the duration of the effectivity of the
 124 urgent proposal on Clause 8.4.1 (a) and 8.4.1.2 of the WESM Rules and limit the number of
 125 extensions. Revisions are read as follows:

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- 127 1. "8.4.1 Rules Change Classification Procedures
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 130 Provided further that the urgent amendments shall be implementable on the affected
 131 WESM/Retail operations and/or transactions within the period of ~~six (6)~~ **twelve (12)** months
 132 subject to the conformation of the Market Operator.”

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 134 2. “8.4.1.2 The proposed amendments to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals, and any
 135 amendment and/or adoption of a new Market Manuals shall take effect upon approval and
 136 promulgation by the DOE.
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138 In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals or the adoption of new Market
 139 Manuals, implemented pursuant to WESM Rules Clause 8.4.1.1 (a) prior to DOE’s approval,
 140 shall be processed and submitted to the DOE for final approval; otherwise, the effectivity of
 141 such WESM Rules changes shall be no more than ~~six (6)~~ **twelve (12)** months from the PEM
 142 Board approval.”
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144 Below are the highlights of the discussion:
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- 146 • Noting that the Secretariat proposes to extend the period of implementation/effectivity of the
 147 urgent proposal into 12 months to allow sufficient time for the approval of its general
 148 amendment, Mr. Orillaza added that it is important to determine the possible reasons for
 149 extending twice the implementation of the two (2) urgent proposals (Forecast and Accuracy
 150 Standard [FAS], and Preferential Dispatch). If such situations rarely happen, then proposing
 151 amendments to the rules may no longer be needed. Mr. Labay responded that, on its first
 152 extension, the FAS was discussed in several RCC meetings (209th, 212th, and 214th) and the
 153 Preferential Dispatch was discussed in two RCC meetings (216th and 217th). Upon waiting
 154 for the DOE decision on the urgent proposals, the RCC extended their effectivity for the
 155 second time.
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- 157 • Ms. Cherry A. Javier (Generation) recalled that it was initially discussed to propose
 158 amendments on the rules to allow the second extension of the implementation of the urgent
 159 proposal.
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- 161 • Based on the data presented, there are many proposals that were approved by the DOE
 162 within the 6-month period. Ms. Anosan then suggested an alternative proposal, which is
 163 allowing the second extension of the urgent proposal.
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- 165 • On the other hand, Mr. Claudio suggested another option which is the urgent proposal should
 166 be effective until the final approval of the DOE.
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- 168 • Mr. Orillaza agreed on the proposed extended period of implementation of the urgent
 169 amendment. However, he emphasized that its effect on the market should be studied within
 170 three months of its implementation. This study would be the basis once the proposal is
 171 submitted as general amendments. In response to this, Ms. Varquez said that, since



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November 2021, the Market Assessment Group (MAG) is required to submit to the RCC an assessment report on the implementation of the urgent amendments to assist in the deliberation on the general amendment. The assessment report was done for the FAS and Preferential Dispatch urgent amendments.

- To address the question of Ms. Anosan regarding the timeline on submitting the urgent proposal as general amendments, Ms. Varquez responded that, within 10 days from ratification by the PEM Board of the urgent proposal, the RCC will initiate the publication of the corresponding general proposal. There will be no re-submission of urgent proposals as general proposals from the proponent.
- Mr. Darryl Lon A. Ortiz (Transmission) asked about the timetable from processing the urgent amendment until the final approval of the DOE. Ms. Varquez responded that once the PEM Board approved the urgent proposal, the process of general amendment will commence within 10 days from said ratification. After one billing period or ninety (90) days after the PEM Board's approval, the MAG shall submit its assessment report to the RCC. She added that the timeline for submitting the assessment report may not be practical on some urgent proposals (e.g. Forecast Accuracy Standard). The timeline on processing a general amendment takes four to six months, and this includes the commenting period, line-by-line discussions, RCC deliberations, and approval of the PEM Board. The Secretariat proposed to extend the effectivity of the urgent proposal into 12 months since the timeline on processing the general amendment of the urgent proposal would coincide with the end period of its effectivity.

Below are the proposed measures to address the matter:

- For the effectivity of the urgent amendment under Clause 8.4.1.1 (a) and 8.4.1.2 of WESM Rules

Item	Options
Effectivity of the Urgent Amendment	Retain 6 months
	Extend to 12 months
	Until the approval of the corresponding general amendment

- For the extension of effectivity under Clause 7.4 (g) of Rules Change Manual

Item	Options
Extension of Effectivity of the Urgent Amendment	Retain 1 time for six months
	Retain 1 time for not more than 12 months
	2 times for six months
	No extension needed*

*Considering that the urgent rules are effective until DOE's approval of the corresponding general amendment.



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Agreements:

1. The RCC provisionally approved the proposal amending the effectivity of urgent amendments to "*Until the DOE's approval of the corresponding general amendment.*"
2. The Secretariat will initiate a formal general proposal for RCC's review and approval.

6.0 New Business

6.1 Corporate Strategic Plan (CSP) 2024-2026

- Presenter/s: Ms. Dianne L. De Guzman (Strategy and Innovation Manager)
- Action Requested: For discussion
- Material/s: Annex B – Presentation Materials for Corporate Strategic Plan (CSP) 2024-2026

Proceedings:

Ms. Dianne L. De Guzman (PEMC) presented PEMC's Corporate Strategic Plan for CY 2024-2026. Below are the comments raised:

- Mr. Orillaza inquired about the prospective proponents of the possible rules change proposals. Ms. De Guzman responded that possible rules change proposals will be led by PEMC or a WESM Governance Committee (WGC).

In line with Mr. Orillaza's inquiry, Mr. Morillos emphasized the difference between the lead and the originator of the proposal. With these, he asked whether the concepts of the possible rules change proposal will be originated by the strategic planning of the market or by the functional unit/s of PEMC. Ms. De Guzman responded that it is included in the Strategic Plan of each department of PEMC. She added that though a proposal is to be led by a PEMC department (i.e., Enforcement and Compliance Office (ECO), Market Assessment Group (MAG), the official proponent will be PEMC.

- Mr. Ortiz asked if there is prioritization of the rules change proposals since the period covered is three (3) years. Ms. De Guzman responded that the formulation and submission of the rules change proposal is dependent on their urgency. For instance, the Rules Change Proposal for the *Implementation of the Enhanced WESM Design and Operations (EWDO) including Reserve Market (RM)* is planned to be formulated on CY 2026 to observe and check the possible changes on the rules and manuals during the Reserve Market implementation since it has just recently commenced.

Ms. De Guzman also added that possible rules change proposal could be formulated and submitted earlier than its proposed timeline if there is a directive given by the PEM Board, the DOE or the ERC.



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- Mr. Claudio asked if the possible rules change proposal on the *WESM Manual on Market Network Model-Development and Maintenance – Criteria and Procedures* will be done in coordination with IEMOP. Ms. De Guzman affirmed and added that the co-proponent of the possible rules change proposal is the Technical Committee (TC).

255 Agreement:

256 The RCC noted the updates on the CSP.

257 6.2 RCC Work Plan for CY 2024

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- Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
 - Action Requested: For discussion
 - Material/s: Annex C – RCC Work Plan for CY 2024

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265 Proceedings:

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267 Ms. Bisnar presented the draft RCC Work Plan for CY 2024. She informed the body that the draft will be updated in line with the CSP and will be circulated through email, for further review and comments of the RCC.

270 Agreement:

271 The RCC noted the draft work plan for CY 2024.

272 6.3 Request of RCC Member: Additional Regular Attendee in RCC Meetings

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- Presenter/s: Ms. Divine Gayle C. Cruz (Secretariat)
 - Action Requested: For Discussion
 - Material/s: Annex D – Presentation Material for Request of RCC Member: Additional Regular Attendee in RCC Meetings

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282 Proceedings:

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284 Ms. Cruz informed the body regarding the request of Mr. Dennis Paragas (Supply) if his colleague, who would replace him as an alternate member of the RCC, could attend RCC meetings as an Observer. Mr. Paragas further explained that the request is in relation to the transition of his colleague to be an alternate member.

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289 Mr. Morillos said that Mr. Paragas' request is an opportunity to revisit the policy on the framework and broader spectrum on the matter of "Observers" for clarity on admitting attendees during



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291 meetings. Section IV (d) of the RCC Internal Rules ver. 5 states that “the DOE and Energy
292 Regulatory Commission (ERC) shall sit as resource person in the Committee to provide
293 assistance or directions on any regulatory and policy concerns, that any or all issues are being
294 dealt with in accordance with the purpose of the EPIRA, its implementing Rules and the WESM
295 Rules and/or to facilitate energy issues affecting the Market and the power industry as a whole.”
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297 Below are the highlights of the discussion:
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- 299 • Mr. Virgilio Fortich C. Jr. (Distribution) suggested that the RCC should be consistent with the
300 RCC Internal Rules.
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- 302 • Ms. Javier commented that the RCC should not be strict with the RCC Internal Rules. In her
303 understanding, “Observers” of the meeting are the ones who take note of key points and does
304 not participate officially in the discussions of the meeting. On the other hand, the DOE and
305 ERC are interacting with the RCC during the meeting. Therefore, DOE and ERC are strictly
306 not “Observers” but rather “Resource Persons”. She likewise added that if the body wanted
307 to be strict with the rules, the meeting materials (i.e., presentation materials) should already
308 be sent together with the Notice of Meeting and Meeting Agenda a week prior the meeting. In
309 her case, she needed someone to prepare the documents so that she can be ready to provide
310 inputs during the RCC meeting.
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- 312 • Mr. Orillaza said that the DOE and ERC as prescribed in the Rules as Observers because
313 they have oversight role in the WESM. He added that he noticed other attendees from private
314 sectors who are tagged as an Observer during the meeting. He understands the need for an
315 executive assistant to prepare the meeting materials prior to the meeting but he believes that
316 it is not necessary for additional individuals, who are not members of the committee, to join
317 the meeting.
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- 319 • By experience, Mr. Morallos shared that some observers used meetings as venue for
320 unauthorized activities. Historically, the RCC did not experience such actions.
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- 322 • In the case of Ms. Javier’s comment, Mr. Morallos noted that the situation is unique and there
323 is no risk being presented on having an assistant who also attends the RCC regular meeting.
324 However, he emphasized that other stakeholders may find it opportune to bring his/her
325 colleagues in the meeting.
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327 Based on the discussions, Mr. Morallos concluded the following:
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- 329 1. In the matter of admission of regular attendees in the meeting, the RCC must adhere to the
330 rules set on the RCC Internal Rules. The attendees of the meeting should be limited to the
331 proponents, commenters, PEMC (OCGO, Legal and ECO) as a governance body, and the
332 DOE and ERC as Observers as prescribed in the Rules.
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2. Mr. Paragas' request is disapproved. It is noted that the objective of the request is for the preparation and orientation of the incoming replacement for an Alternate Member. However, Mr. Morallos said that it can be managed on the operational level of the entity/organization that will replace its RCC Member (Principal/Alternate).

Agreement:

The RCC instructed the Secretariat to prepare proposed revisions on the internal rules to be presented in the next RCC meeting.

7.0 Other Matters

7.1 Updates on Other Proposed Amendments

- Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
- Action Requested: For Information
- Material/s: Annex F

Proceedings:

The Secretariat provided an update on other Proposed Amendments highlighting the four (4) approved proposed amendments promulgated in DOE Department Circulars. Below is the summary of the status of the proposed amendments.

Status	Topic
General Amendments under RCC Evaluation or Finalization	1. Non-Security Overriding Constraints
General Amendments deferred awaiting ERC's issuance of the Omnibus Retail Rules	1. No Outstanding Balance as requirement for Switching 2. Electric Retail Aggregation Program
Proposed Amendments awaiting DOE's approval	1. System Operator Procedures on Market Intervention and Suspension 2. Ancillary Services Monitoring
Proposed Amendments promulgated by DOE	1. Dispute Resolution (DOE DC2024-01-0002) 2. Maximum Available Capacity (DOE DC202401-0003) 3. Preferential Dispatch (DOE DC2024-01-0004) 4. Forecast Accuracy Standards (DOE DC2024-01-0005)



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358 The Secretariat reminded the Sectoral Representatives who have yet to submit the Certificate on
 359 Information regarding Rules Change Proposals signed by an authorized officer of their Sector
 360 Organization
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362 The Secretariat likewise informed the body on the proposed Face-to-Face RCC (Regular)
 363 Meeting on 15 March 2024.
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365 Agreement:

366 The RCC noted the updates provided.
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369 7.2 DOE Updates

- 371 • Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
- 372 • Action Requested: For Information
- 373 • Material/s: None
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375 Proceedings:

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 377 Ms. Jhannelyn D. Marasigan (DOE) informed the body that the Proposed New WESM Manual on
 378 Ancillary Services Monitoring is still pending approval due to the Proponent's (PEMC) request to
 379 incorporate in the Manual the supplemental guidelines on Reserve Market.
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381 Agreement:

382 The RCC noted the update on the proposal.
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385 7.3 Schedule of Activities

- 387 • Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
- 388 • Action Requested: For Information
- 389 • Material/s: None
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391 Proceedings:

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 393 Ms. Bisnar informed the body of the following Schedule of Activities:

- 394 a) RCC Meetings
 - 395 • 15 March 2024
 - 396 • 19 April 2024
- 397 b) BRC Meeting
 - 398 • 22 February 2024
- 399 c) PEM Board Meeting
 - 400 • 28 February 2024



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402 Agreement:

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404 The RCC noted the schedules.

405 406 **8.0 Adjournment**

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408 The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

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411 Prepared by:

(signed)
MARY ROSE L. BISNAR
Rules Review Sr. Analyst
Market Assessment Group

Reviewed by:

(signed)
KAREN A. VARQUEZ
Senior Manager, Rules Review Division
Market Assessment Group

Noted by:

(signed)
BIENVENIDO C. MENDOZA JR.
Chief Market Assessment Officer

Approved by:

(signed)
JESUSITO G. MORALLOS
Chairperson, Independent

(signed)
JOSE RODERICK F. FERNANDO
Member, Independent

(signed)
RACHEL ANGELA P. ANOSAN
Member, Independent

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JORDAN REL C. ORILLAZA
Member, Independent

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(signed)
 DIXIE ANTHONY R. BANZON
 Member, Generation Sector
 Masinloc Power Partners Co. Ltd. (MPPCL)

(signed)
 CHERRY A. JAVIER
 Member, Generation Sector
 Aboitiz Power Corp. (APC)

(signed)
 CARLITO C. CLAUDIO
 Member, Generation Sector
 Millennium Energy, Inc./Panasia Energy, Inc.
 (MEI/PEI)

(signed)
 (Attended by: Ms. Michelle S. Tuazon)
 MARK D. HABANA
 Member, Generation Sector
 Vivant Corporation – Philippines (Vivant)

(signed)
 RYAN S. MORALES
 Member, Distribution Sector
 Manila Electric Company (MERALCO)

(signed)
 VIRGILIO C. FORTICH, JR.
 Member, Distribution Sector
 Cebu III Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CEBECO II)

(signed)
 RUSSEL S. ALABADO
 Member, Distribution Sector
 Angeles Electric Corporation (AEC)

(signed)
 NELSON M. DELA CRUZ
 Member, Distribution Sector
 Nueva Ecija II Area 1 Electric Cooperative, Inc.
 (NEECO II – Area I)

(signed)
 (Attended by: Mr. Dennis R. Paragas)
 GIAN KARLA C. GUTIERREZ
 Member, Supply Sector
 First Gen Corporation (FGEN)

(signed)
 (Attended by: Mr. Kristoffer Monico S. Ng)
 ISIDRO E. CACHO, JR.
 Member, Market Operator
 Independent Electricity Market Operator of the
 Philippines (IEMOP)

(signed)
 DARRYL LON A. ORTIZ
 Member, System Operator
 National Grid Corporation of the Philippines
 (NGCP)

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Annex A – Presentation Materials: Review of the Effectivity of Urgent Amendments



REQUESTED ACTION

For Information / Comments





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Annex A – Presentation Materials: Review of the Effectivity of Urgent Amendments

BACKGROUND

Provisions relating Effectivity of Amendments

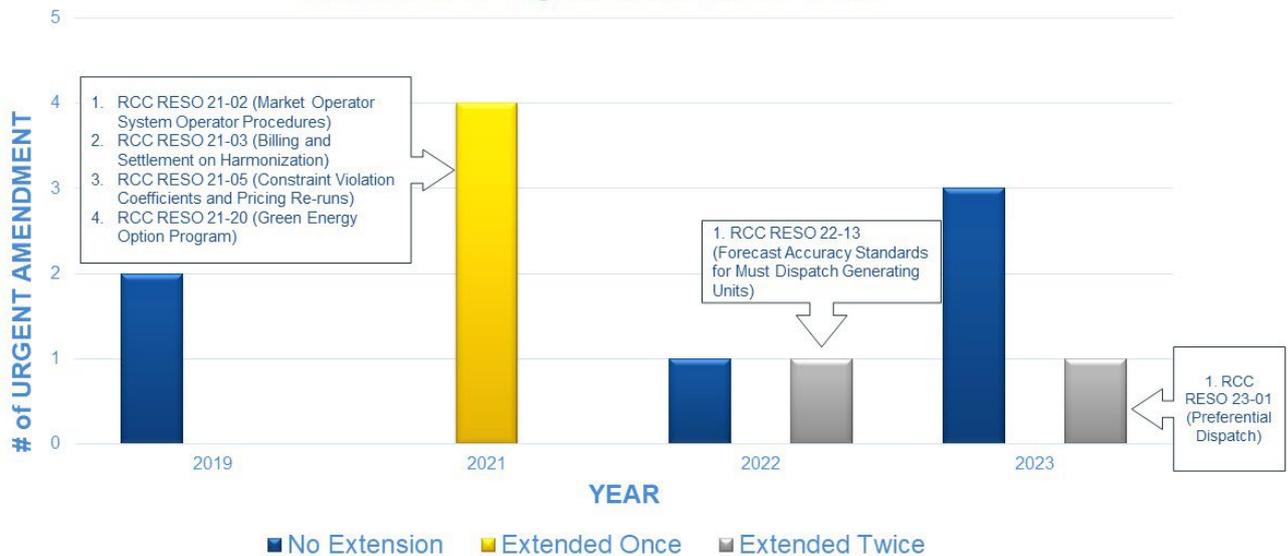
“The proposed amendments to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals, and any amendment and/or adoption of a new Market Manuals shall take effect upon approval and promulgation by the DOE.
 In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals or the adoption of new Market Manuals, implemented pursuant to WESM Rules Clause 8.4.1.1 (a) prior to DOE’s approval, shall be processed and submitted to the DOE for final approval; otherwise, the effectivity of such WESM Rules changes shall be no more than six (6) months from the PEM Board approval.
 (As amended by DOE DC No. DC2015-07-0013 dated 29 June 2015)”
 (Sec. 8.4.1.2, WESM Rules)

“On the basis of the assessment conducted by the Market Assessment Group, the PEM Board may extend the effectivity of urgent amendments only once for up to six (6) months and shall inform the DOE of such extension.”
 (Sec. 7.4. (g), Rules Change Manual)



BACKGROUND

Extension of Urgent Amendment Trend





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DISCUSSION

Item	Options	Pros	Cons
Effectivity of Urgent Rules	Retain 6 months		
	Extend to 12 months	Will limit the number of request for extension	
	Until the DOE's approval of the corresponding general amendment	No need to request extension	
Extension of Effectivity of Urgent Rules	Retain 1 time for six months		
	Retain 1 time for not more than 12 months		
	2 times for six months each		

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COMPARISON TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS SUMMARY

COUNTRY	EFFECTIVITY	EXTENSION
SINGAPORE	12 MONTHS	X
NEW ZEALAND	9 MONTHS	X
AUSTRALIA	Final and Executory Once Approve	X
ONTARIO (CANADA)	No Definite	X

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WESM Rules				
Title	Clause	Original Provision	Proposed Provision	Rationale
Chapter 8 – Rule Change 8.4 Consideration of Proposals to Change WESM Rules or Market Manuals or to Adopt New Market Manuals by the Rules Change Committee 8.4.1 Rules Change Classification Procedures	8.4.1.1 (a)	(a) x x x "Provided further that the urgent amendments shall be implementable on the affected WESM/Retail operations and/or transactions within the period of six (6) months subject to the conformation of the Market Operator"	(a) x x x "Provided further that the urgent amendments shall be implementable on the affected WESM/Retail operations and/or transactions within the period of six (6) twelve (12) months subject to the conformation of the Market Operator"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow sufficient time for the approval and promulgation of the urgent amendment's corresponding general proposal.
Chapter 8 – Rule Change 8.4 Consideration of Proposals to Change WESM Rules or Market Manuals or to Adopt New Market Manuals by the Rules Change Committee 8.4.1 Rules Change Classification Procedures	8.4.1.2	The proposed amendments to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals, and any amendment and/or adoption of a new Market Manuals shall take effect upon approval and promulgation by the DOE. In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals or the adoption of new Market Manuals, implemented pursuant to WESM Rules Clause 8.4.1.1 (a) prior to DOE's approval, shall be processed and submitted to the DOE for final approval; otherwise, the effectivity of such WESM Rules changes shall be no more than six (6) months from the PEM Board approval	The proposed amendments to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals, and any amendment and/or adoption of a new Market Manuals shall take effect upon approval and promulgation by the DOE. In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals or the adoption of new Market Manuals, implemented pursuant to WESM Rules Clause 8.4.1.1 (a) prior to DOE's approval, shall be processed and submitted to the DOE for final approval; otherwise, the effectivity of such WESM Rules changes shall be no more than six (6) twelve (12) months from the PEM Board approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow sufficient time for the approval and promulgation of the urgent amendment's corresponding general proposal.

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**RRD PROPOSAL**

WESM RCM				
Title	Clause	Original Provision	Proposed Provision	Rationale
Chapter 7 – Urgent Amendments 7.4 Effectivity of Urgent Amendment	7.4 (b)	(a) x x x (b) The amendment shall be effective for a period of not more than six (6) months from publication provided for under subsection (a) hereof or until such time that a general amendment on the same matter has been approved and become effective, whichever comes first.	(a) x x x (b) The amendment shall be effective for a period of not more than six (6) twelve (12) months from publication provided for under subsection (a) hereof or until such time that a general amendment on the same matter has been approved and become effective, whichever comes first.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow sufficient time for the approval and promulgation of the urgent amendment's corresponding general proposal

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- For comments/inputs of the committee



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CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

GOAL 1: Provide a Reliable and Transparent WESM and REM Through Effective and Efficient Governance

Related Objectives:

- ✓ Promotion of a culture of compliance and enhanced compliance monitoring
- ✓ Market Design, Review and Implementation of Mechanisms for the WESM
- ✓ Availability of adequate support to the PEM Board and its Committees
- ✓ Availability of Accurate and Updated Market Reports, Rules, Manuals, and Other Relevant Public Information about the WESM and REM
- ✓ Provision of Continuing Stakeholder Support and Engagement and Enhanced Market Awareness
- ✓ Enhanced Working Relationships and Coordination with Partner Institutions and Agencies and with Service Providers
- ✓ Responsive Market Rules and Manuals

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OVERVIEW

CSP

- Corporate Strategic Plan (CSP) sets out the short- to medium-term plan of the company in accordance with its Mission, Vision, and mandates.



DSP

- Departmental Strategic Plan (DSP) sets out the strategies and targets of the departments and teams for the attainment of the corporate goals and objectives.

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CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 2: Support Initiatives and Programs for the Energy Sector through Compliance with Policy and Regulatory Directives

Related Objective/s:

- ✓ Continuing Market Development Initiatives
- ✓ Operationalization of Reserves Market Pursuant to Policy and Regulatory Directives
- ✓ Operationalization of RCOA and GEOP in Mindanao pursuant to Policy and Regulatory Directives
- ✓ Strengthened Coordination and Compliance with the Requirements of Legislative Bodies on Initiatives Concerning the Energy Sector

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CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

GOAL 3: Achieve Organizational Excellence and Operational Efficiency

Related Objectives:

- ✓ Compliance with Internal Business Procedures, Legal Requirements, and Other Corporate Requirements
- ✓ Clear Corporate Targets and Performance Measures

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LIST OF POSSIBLE RULES CHANGE PROPOSALS

Objective 1: Promotion of a Culture of Compliance and Enhanced Compliance Monitoring

Topics	Proposed Timeline
Compliance to the Reserve Offer Capacity Compliance (ROCC) and Reserve Conformance Standards (RCS)	2024
Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), including Plants with Hybrid Systems (VREs + ESS)	2024 – 2025
Metering Services Providers (MSP) Obligations and Compliance	2025 – 2026

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LIST OF POSSIBLE RULES CHANGE PROPOSALS

Objective 3: Market Design, Review and Implementation of Mechanisms for the WESM

Topics	Proposed Timeline
Implementation of Enhanced WESM Design and Operations (EWDO) including Reserve Market (RM)	2026
Anti-Competitive Behavior (ACB)	2026

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LIST OF POSSIBLE RULES CHANGE PROPOSALS

Objective 6: Provision of Continuing Stakeholder Support and Engagement and Enhanced Market Awareness

Topics	Proposed Timeline
Review of articles and bylaws for Voting Rights of Participants	2026*
WCO Certification and Registration Manual and Implementing Guidelines Procedures	2026

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LIST OF POSSIBLE RULES CHANGE PROPOSALS

Objective 8: Responsive Market Rules and Manuals

Topics	Proposed Timeline
Improvements to rules change process	2024
Enhancements to Enforcement and Compliance Manual (ECM) and Penalty Manual	2026
Overhaul of WESM Manual on Market Network Model Development and Maintenance – Criteria and Procedures	2024

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Annex C – RCC Workplan 2024

2024 Rules Change Committee Workplan

The Rules Change Committee strives to attain a timely resolution of all rules change proposals it receives and shall continuously direct its efforts to work on priority activities for further enhancements to the Market Rules and Manuals. The activities in the Work Plan are aligned with PEMC's 2023-2025 Corporate Strategic Plan, and shall be updated as necessary as more contributions are received from industry sectors and stakeholders or as directed by the DOE or ERC.

Legend: Submission/Completion of Report/Inputs/Comments
 Regular Activity

ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS	2024				REMARKS/STATUS
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
GOAL 1: Provide a Reliable and Transparent WESM and REM through Effective and Efficient Governance						
Objective 4: Availability of Adequate Support to the PEM Board and its Committees						
1	Conduct of monthly and urgent meetings	Minutes of meetings				
Objective 5: Availability of Accurate and Updated Market Reports, Rules, Manuals, and Other Relevant Public Information About the WESM and REM						
2	Approve Annual Committee Work Plan aligned with PEMC Corporate Strategic Plan	2024 RCC Work Plan				
3	Approve Semestral Reports	RCC Semestral Reports submitted to the PEM Board in January and December 2024				
4	Facilitate submission of Sectoral Certifications	Sectoral Certifications submitted to the RCC/PEM Board				
Objective 6: Provision of Continuing Stakeholder Support and Engagement and Enhanced Market Awareness						
5	Participate in WESM events, as requested or scheduled	Attendance to the WESM events				



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ACTIVITIES		OUTPUTS	2024				REMARKS/STATUS
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Objective 8: Responsive market rules and manuals							
6	Assess market rules and manuals and propose amendments ²	RCC Resolutions on rules change proposals submitted to the PEM Board					
7		Presentation during the Board Review Committee (BRC) and PEM Board meetings					
8	Participate in DOE/ERC public consultations on market rules and manuals and propose amendments	Attendance to the DOE/ERC public consultations					
9	Enhance rules change process	Updated RCC Internal Rules and proposed amendments to the Rules Change Manual					
GOAL 3: Achieve Organizational Excellence and Operational Efficiency							
Objective 5: Clear Corporate Targets and Performance Measures							
10	Timely approval of Corporate and Departmental Strategic Plan by the PEM Board and PEMC Management, respectively	Inputs to Corporate and Departmental Strategic Plan					
Objective 6: Continuing Improvement in the Delivery of Service to Internal and External Clients							
11	Respond to survey on the provision of technical and administrative support to the RCC	Response to survey on WESM Governance Committee (WGC) Support by PEMC					

² See Lists A and B for the lists of possible rules change proposals.



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ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS	2024				REMARKS/STATUS
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
12 Participate in activities related to ISO 37000:2021 - Governance of Organizations Training / Certification	Attendance to trainings/discussions and provide inputs, as requested by PEMC					

Annex A: Current Rules Change Proposals (as of 08 February 2024)

Status	Proposal	Proponent
General Amendments under RCC Evaluation or Finalization	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Non-security Over-riding Constraints .	National Power Corporation (NPC)
General Amendments deferred awaiting ERC's issuance of the Omnibus Retail Rules	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals on the Implementation of Electric Retail Aggregation Program	IEMOP
	Proposed General Amendments to the Retail Rules and Retail Manual on Market Transaction Procedures on No Outstanding Balance (Harmonization with ERC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2023)	IEMOP



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Annex B: PEMC/WGC Possible Rules Change Proposals

PEM Board-Approved Goals / Objectives (2023-2025 PEMC Corporate Strategic Plan)	Topic	Proponent	2024	2025	2026
GOAL 1: Provide a Reliable and Transparent WESM and REM through Effective and Efficient Governance					
Objective 1: Promotion of a culture of compliance and enhanced compliance monitoring	Metering Accuracy	PEMC		✓	✓
	Dispatch Conformance Standards	PEMC			✓
	Overhaul of WESM Manual on Market Network Model Development and Maintenance – Criteria and Procedures	TC	✓		
	EWDO-related changes based on Study	PEMC			✓
GOAL 2: Support initiatives and programs for the energy sector through compliance with policy and regulatory directives					
Objective 1: Efficient operation of the Renewable Energy Market	Transfer of RE Registrar Functions to the Market Operator	PEMC	✓		



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Annex D – Presentation Material: Request of RCC Member: Additional Regular Attendee in RCC Meetings

BACKGROUND

- 08 February 2024
 - Mr. Dennis Paragas (alternate RCC member, Supply) requested if a colleague who would replace him as alternate could attend as Observer as part of his turnover

BACKGROUND

- RCC INTERNAL RULES

Section IV. *Chairperson, Members and Observers*

- d. **Observers.** The DOE and the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) shall sit as resource persons in the Committee to provide assistance or directions on any regulatory and policy concerns, that any or all issues are being dealt with in accordance with the purpose of the EPIRA, its implementing Rules and the WESM Rules and/or to facilitate energy issues affecting the Market and the power industry as a whole.



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DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Representation/ Sector	Principal Member / Alternate Member		Attendance	
Independent	Jesusito G. Morillos			
	Jose Roderick F. Fernando			
	Rachel Angela P. Anosan			
	Jordan Rel C. Orillaza			
Generation	Dixie Anthony R. Banzon	Rose Ann O. Alfaro		
	Cherry A. Javier	Angeli Abad-Parcia		
	Carlito C. Claudio	Jessie B. Victorio		
	Mark D. Habana	Michelle S. Tuazon		
Distribution	Ryan S. Morales	Manuel Luis Zagala		
	Russel S. Alabado	Alfredo C. Sanaga, Jr.		
	Virgilio C. Fortich, Jr.	Getulio Zamosas Crodua		
	Nelson M. Dela Cruz	Darwin T. Daymiel		
Supply	Gian Karla C. Gutierrez	Dennis R. Paragas		
Transmission	Darryl Lon A. Ortiz	Clark N. Agustin		
Market Operator	Isidro E. Cacho, Jr.	Kristoffer Monico S. Ng		





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UPDATES ON THE PROPOSALS

Urgent Amendments

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
1	Proposed Urgent Amendments to the WESM Rules and Forecast Accuracy Standards Manual on Matters Relating to Enforcement Proceedings and Actions	PEMC	Expiration of Effectivity: 23 May 2024 or until the DOE approves General Amendments Extended implementation per PEM Board Resolution No. 2023-66-04 • Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0005
2	Proposed Urgent Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Registration Manual in view of DOE DC2022-10-0031 (Declaring All RE Resources as Preferential Dispatch)	IEMOP	Extended implementation per PEM Board Resolution No. 2023-62-03 • Expiration of Effectivity: 26 January 2024 • Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0004
3	Request for Extension of Effectivity of Urgent Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Registration Manual in view of DOE DC2022-10-0031 (Declaring All RE Resources as Preferential Dispatch)	PEMC	• Extended implementation per PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-05



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Urgent Amendments

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
4	Proposed New WESM Manual on Ancillary Services Monitoring (Urgent Proposal)	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmitted to the DOE in a letter dated 09 November 2023 DOE conducted virtual Public Consultation on 05 December 2023



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General Amendments – Under RCC Evaluation

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
1	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Non-security Overriding Constraints	NPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proponent submitted revised proposal on 12 September 2023 Oct 20 (223rd): NPC-DMD and GenCo TPs to coordinate
2	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules and Various WESM Manuals on the Interruptible Load Program Implementation	IEMOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan 08, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-03
3	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Market Intervention and Suspension	MSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan 08, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-04
4	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manuals on Penalty, and Enforcement and Compliance	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan 8, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-06



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General Amendments – Under RCC Evaluation

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
4	Proposed General Amendments to the Retail Rules and Retail Manual on Market Transaction Procedures on No Outstanding Balance (Harmonization with ERC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2023)	IEMOP	Deferred deliberation pending ERC's issuance of Omnibus Retail Electricity Market Rules
5	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals on the Implementation of Electric Retail Aggregation Program	IEMOP	



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General Amendments – For DOE Promulgation

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
1	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispute Resolution Administration (based on RCC Resolution No. 2021-07)	PEMC (DRA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0002 Date: 12 January 2024
2	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and the Dispatch Protocol Manual regarding the Maximum Available Capacity	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0003 Date: 12 January 2024
3	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Registration Manual in view of DOE DC2022-10-0031 (Declaring All RE Resources as Preferential Dispatch)	IEMOP (as amended by RCC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0004 Date: 12 January 2024
4	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules and Forecast Accuracy Standards Manual on Matters Relating to Enforcement Proceedings and Actions	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signed by DOE Secretary DOE DC2024-01-0005 Date: 12 January 2024





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General Amendments – For DOE Promulgation

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
5	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Enhancements and Updating of the System Operator's Re-Dispatching, Reporting and Market Intervention/Suspension Procedures	NGCP	Under DOE finalization stage Concluded DOE Public Consultation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23 Aug 2023 – Luzon (BGC) • 31 Aug 2023 – Mindanao (General Santos) • 06 Sept 2023 – Visayas (Cebu)



Other Matters





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OTHER MATTERS

1. Request for Submission of Certificate – Information regarding Rules Change Proposal - signed by authorized officer of sector organization [RCC Internal Rules Sec. VII(b)(13)]
 - o Emailed last 18 January 2024
 - o Submission Date: on or before 16 February 2024
2. Propose Face-to-Face Meeting: 15 March 2024





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