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INTRODUCTION

This document is the Procedure Change Report for the System Management proposed amendments to the Power System Operating Procedure: Commissioning and Testing.

- This proposal was first published on the IMO website on 15 June 2009.
- A request for submissions to the proposal was published on 16 June 2009 with a deadline of 10 July 2009.
- This Procedure Change Report is submitted to the IMO for publication on 17 July 2009.
- This proposed amended procedure is to commence at 8 am on 1 September 2009.
- Commencement is pending approval by the IMO. Market Rule 2.10.14 requires the IMO to make its decision within 10 Business days of this Report being published.

THE WORDING OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE POWER SYSTEM OPERATING PROCEDURE

The amended procedure is attached to this Report.

THE REASON FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE POWER SYSTEM OPERATING PROCEDURE

The Power System Operation Procedures were originally prepared prior to the commencement of the Electricity Market. Now with several years experience in performing market functions, System Management has taken the opportunity to initiate a review process with the objective of amending the procedures to more accurately reflect System Management's performance of its functions.

In addition, the original Power System Operation Procedures included significant overlaps with the Market Rules and also attempts to paraphrase Rule requirements.

Consequently, System Management has reviewed the operation of PSOP: Commissioning and Testing and amended it to better reflect both the performance of market functions and changes to the Market Rules which have occurred since the commencement of the Market on 21 September 2006. The amendments have been subject to public consultation, consultation within the System Management Power System Operation Procedure Working Group (constituted under the auspices of the MAC) and with the Independent Market Operator.

It is the view of System Management that the amended procedure represents both a consensus outcome and a procedure which is consistent with the requirements of the Market Rules.

AMENDMENT TO THE POWER SYSTEM OPERATION PROCEDURE FOLLOWING PUBLIC CONSULTATION

System Management has incorporated several minor amendments within this Power System Operation Procedure following the conclusion of the public submission period.

These amendments address issues which were identified during the public consultation process. The amended sections are included below:

Section 5(3)

~~For the purposes of the Market Rules [MR 3.21A.3], “significant maintenance” is defined~~ Where the expression “significant maintenance” is used in the Market Rules [clause 3.21A.3], System Management will interpret this concept as maintenance work which requires re-testing of the Facility to operate at a satisfactory level.

System Management believes that the amendments do not have a significant impact on the substance of the Power System Operation Procedure, nor do they necessitate a further period of consultation.

SUBMISSIONS

System Management did not receive any public submissions regarding the procedure.

THE MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Market Advisory Committee (MAC) did not meet regarding this procedure change proposal.

However, the System Management Procedure Change Working Group did discuss the procedure change and made recommendations on 22 May 2009. All recommendations made by the Working Group were adopted.

IMPLEMENTATION

System Management recommends this amended procedure commence at 8 am 1 September 2009.

The above date, in System Management's opinion, allows sufficient time after the date of publication of the IMO's approval of the Procedure Change Proposal under clause 2.10.14, for Rule Participants to implement changes required by this Proposal.

Commencement is pending approval by the IMO. Market Rule 2.10.14 requires the IMO to make its decision within 10 Business days of this Report being published. This decision will include the final commencement date.