

ISO Rules

Part 300 System Reliability and Operations

Division 301 General

Section 301.2 ISO Directives



Applicability

- 1 Section 301.2 applies to:
 - (a) a **market participant**; and
 - (b) the **ISO**.

Requirements

Directives the ISO Issues

- 2(1) The **ISO** may issue a **directive** to a **market participant**, including a **directive** to:
 - (a) increase or decrease the **real power** or **reactive power** output, or both of them, from a facility;
 - (b) shut down or start up a facility; and
 - (c) switch **transmission system** elements, alter **planned outage** or maintenance schedules, or load shed.
- (2) The **ISO** may issue a **directive** verbally, electronically or in writing.

Requirement to Comply

- 3(1) A **market participant** must comply with a **directive** it receives subject to any other **ISO rule** or **reliability standard** and the exceptions in subsections 3(2) and 3(3).
- (2) A **market participant** that is a **legal owner** of a **generating unit** or an **aggregated generating facility**, or an **operator** of a **generating unit** or an **aggregated generating facility**, must comply with a **directive** it receives subject to the following exceptions:
 - (a) it considers that a real and substantial risk of damage to its **generating unit** or **aggregated generating facility** could result if it complied with the **directive**;
 - (b) it considers that a real and substantial risk to the safety of its employees or the public could result if it complied with the **directive**; or
 - (c) it considers that a real and substantial risk of undue injury to the environment could result if it complied with the **directive**.
- (3) A **market participant** that is a **legal owner** of a **transmission facility** or an **operator** of a **transmission facility** must comply with a **directive** it receives, subject to subsection 39(4) of the **Act**.
- (4) A **market participant** that is a **pool participant** must, if the instructions contained in a **directive** it receives require an **operator** to take action, immediately communicate the **directive** to the **operator**.

Report Inability to Comply or Communicate

- 4(1) If a **market participant** is unable to comply with a **directive** or is unable to communicate it to the **operator**, as applicable, then it must, unless otherwise stipulated in the **directive**, verbally notify the **ISO** of the inability and provide reasons.
- (2) The **market participant** must provide notice as soon as practical but, unless otherwise stipulated in the **directive**, not later than five (5) minutes after determining it is unable to comply with a **directive** or is unable to communicate a **directive** to the **operator**, as applicable.

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Revision History

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