



Proposed Amendments to the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures to Harmonize with WESM Rules Changes

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I. SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED RULES CHANGE

The amendments to the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures are proposed to harmonize provisions with changes in the WESM Rules.

II. BACKGROUND

Under DOE DC2013-03-0005, the Department of Energy (DOE) approved the use of banking days ("working days") as the reference for timelines in the registration processes in view of the working hours of the personnel performing the tasks involved. The original provisions referred to the business days of the spot market, which is twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week.

To implement the enhanced WESM design under DOE DC2015-10-0015, the Market Operator is currently developing new market systems to support its operations. It has been observed, however, that the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures specifically prescribes the current approach (i.e., installation digital certificates) in ensuring data security of the systems. Although one of the new systems still employ digital certificates, other market systems implement different approaches that are as secure as the current approach.

III. THE PROPOSED RULES CHANGE

In view of the changes in the WESM Rules, the following amendments on the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures are proposed:

- Reflect WESM Rules basis for registration process timelines (i.e., working days instead of business days)
- Generalize the data security approach for participant access to the market systems

IV. BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPONENT

The proponent is the Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines, Inc. IEMOP acts as the market operator of the WESM.

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V. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The amendments to the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures are proposed to harmonize provisions under the same manual to WESM Rules changes. By revising the WESM Manual, market manual processes are consistent with the WESM Rules.

VI. REFERENCES

1. WESM Rules
2. WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures
3. DOE DC2013-03-0005
4. DOE DC2015-10-0015