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### ATTENDEES

	Name	Designation/Position	Department/Company
1	Jesusito G. Morillos	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	Carlito C. Claudio	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
6	Cherry A. Javier	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
7	Dixie Anthony R. Banzon	Member (Principal), Generation Sector	RCC
8	Michelle S. Tuazon	Member (Alternate), Generation Sector	RCC
9	Russel S. Alabado	Member (Principal), Distribution 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	Darryl Lon A. Ortiz	Member (Principal), Transmission Sector	RCC
14	Kristoffer Monico S. Ng	Member (Alternate), Market Operator	RCC
15	Jhannelyn D. Marasigan	Observer	DOE
16	John Paulo O. Castro	Observer	DOE
17	Jane May M. Mea	Observer	DOE
18	Chrismah Joy D. Quinones	Observer	DOE
19	Karen A. Varquez	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
20	Divine C. Cruz	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
21	John Eisendel M. Labay	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
22	Mary Rose L. Bisnar	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
23	Andrea J. Mendiola	Chief Legal Officer	PEMC
24	Bienvenido C. Mendoza Jr.	Chief Market Assessment Officer	PEMC
25	Gabriel R. Marmeto	Legal	PEMC
26	Cedric Xian Mico L. Uy	OCGO	PEMC
27	Hilary Romeli C. Florendo	ECO	PEMC
28	Anthony Jose P. Asprer	ECO	PEMC
29	Johann Rafael D.B. Biscocho	ECO	PEMC
30	Frederick Mayuga	Proponent	GN Power Kauswagan Ltd. Co.
31	Anna Escudero	Proponent	GN Power Kauswagan Ltd. Co.

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	Name	Designation/Position	Department/Company
32	Nicole Alezandria Nethercott	Proponent	GN Power Kauswagan Ltd. Co.
33	Roel Calano	Proponent	GN Power Kauswagan Ltd. Co.

### 1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 09:02 AM.

### 2.0 Determination of Quorum

The quorum was determined with twelve (12) principal and two (2) alternate members present. The attendance of four (4) DOE Observers was also noted.

### 3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar (Secretariat) presented the revised agenda with the addition of item 5.3 *Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Procedures for Changes to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals*.

The RCC adopted the revised proposed agenda.

### 4.0 Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings

#### 4.1 Draft minutes of 230<sup>th</sup> RCC (Regular) Meeting, 19 April 2024

Proceedings:

Ms. Bisnar presented the draft minutes of the meeting held last 19 April 2024. She informed the body that no comments were received.

The RCC approved the draft minutes of the 230<sup>th</sup> RCC meeting and its routing via Adobe Sign for e-signature and final approval.

### 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 Approval

Proceedings:

In accordance with the agreements from the 230<sup>th</sup> RCC (Regular) Meeting held last 19 April 2024, Ms. Divine Gayle C. Cruz (Secretariat) presented the draft RCC Resolution No. 2024-03, which

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was sent to the RCC on 15 May 2024, regarding the decision on the NPC's proposal. The narrative of the resolution is summarized below:

- Proposal aimed to amend WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Non-security Limit Over-riding Constraints to Prevent Dam Spilling Operations to protect the downstream communities from flooding.
- The RCC thoroughly studied the proposal, with the resolution breaking down the chronological sequence of activities pertaining to this matter.
- Based on the previous meetings, it was established that the NPC's issue is exclusive to Caliraya Dam. On 15 March 2024, the RCC determined that the WESM Rules and Manuals may not be the appropriate avenue to provide exemptions from existing policies to address a unique circumstance, hence recommended to NPC to directly seek the assistance and intervention of the Department of Energy (DOE).
- On 25 March 2024, the NPC elevated their concern to the DOE thru a letter. Subsequently, on 04 April 2024, the RCC supplemented it thru a letter, encompassing a summary of all discussions.

Below are the highlights of the discussion:

- Mr. Jordan Rel C. Orillaza (Independent) suggested rephrasing one of the statements detailing the meetings convened by the RCC in studying the proposal. Additionally, he suggested a revision on the Annex A (Chronological Digest of RCC Activities in Processing NPC's Proposal (February 2022 – April 2024)), specifically on the timeline in establishing the issue as solely for Caliraya Dam.

Ms. Rachel S. Anosan (Independent) concurred with the suggestion and emphasized that the RCC recommended to NPC and trading partners to conduct a meeting to discuss the internal operational protocols, especially to sought input from Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation (PSALM).

Agreement:

The RCC approved the draft Resolution No. 2024-03, incorporating the comments from Mr. Orillaza and Ms. Anosan, and will be routed via Adobe Sign for e-signature and final approval.

### 5.2 Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules regarding Must-Offer Rule

- Presenter/s: Ms. Nicole Alezandria Nethercott (Proponent - GNPK)
- Action Requested: For Approval for publication
- Material/s: Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

Proceedings:

Ms. Nicole Alezandria Nethercott (Proponent - GNPK) presented their revised proposed amendment, highlighting the rationale, objectives, and summary as follows:

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### Rationale of the Proposal

- The capability of thermal plants to follow frequent and sudden load variations are dependent on the plant's efficiency and parameters which must be attained and maintained.
- A Generation Facility has considerations such as technical and operational constraints when submitting market offers to ensure that there will be no compromise on the standard parameters of the facility while complying with the MOR.
- Grid limitations also impact the plants' capability to inject to the grid as these also limit the plant to be able to only supply a certain level of power to ensure grid stability.
- This proposal is applicable should the facility be subject to continuous operations below the intended stable operations of its units whereby risking the units to be on forced deration or outage.
- Allow the Generation Facilities to exercise its right to make sound judgment to protect their facility from adverse impacts of generating below its stable operating conditions if such situations become evident.

### Objectives of the proposal

- To consider the facility's physical condition in complying with the Must-Offer Rule.
- To provide guidance when offering/bidding or revising/updating of offers, which should consider the stability of the units.
- To involve the grid limitations, such as completion of the "Transmission Corridor" as discussed in the "System Impact Study" (SIP).
- To include other conditions in revising/updating offers.

### Summary of the Proposal

- Revised proposed amendments to Clause 3.5.11.5 of the WESM Rules – inclusion of transmission corridor restrictions
- Revised proposed amendments to definition of "General Technical Constraints" in WESM Rules Chapter 11 Glossary, item (f) – inclusion of imposition of grid restrictions
- New proposed amendments to Section 6.13 of the WESM Dispatch Protocol Manual – harmonization with the revised changes to the WESM Rules.

### Below are the highlights of the discussion:

- Mr. Darryl Lon A. Ortiz (Transmission) inquired whether the proposal intends to only consider grid restrictions as the sole criterion for exemption of a generating unit to be scheduled below Pmin. He further elaborated that there are other factors for generating units to be dispatched below Pmin, such as excess available capacity during off-peak or priority dispatch. Additionally, Mr. Ryan S. Morales (Distribution) sought clarification whether the proposed exemption would not be triggered when the grid demand is below Pmin and there are no grid restrictions.

Ms. Nethercott responded that the proposal for section 3.5.11.5 of the WESM Rules is limited to grid restrictions.

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- Mr. Carlito C. Claudio (Generation) sought clarification, whether the proposal wanted the System Operator (SO) to notify GNPk about the emergence of grid restriction so they can adjust their market offers accordingly. Additionally, he inquired about how GNPk will know that their offered capacity will not cause line overload. He further emphasized that grid restrictions are input from the SO to the Market Management System (MMS) following the algorithm contained in the Market Dispatch Optimization Model (MDOM), which considers transmission losses and constraints for the preparation of dispatch schedules.

Ms. Nethercott clarified that the proposal doesn't intend to preempt the algorithm but rather to allow adjustment once the plant is scheduled below Pmin continuously over multiple intervals.

Mr. Roel Calano (Proponent - GNPk) expounded that the intention of the proposal is to ensure the reliable operation of the plant. He added that the SO imposes transmission limit on radial transmission lines and on the grid-wide transmission line such as MVIP, which he agreed that nobody knows which generating unit will be affected. However, based on GNPk's previous experience, since the MDOM runs irrespective of the stable loading of the generating unit, GNPk's generating unit was being scheduled below the Pmin. GNPk also proposes to have a relaxation on the imposition of the penalty under the said circumstances.

- Mr. Ortiz asked for clarification that if GNPk unit is scheduled below Pmin, on the absence of transmission limits or line constraints, the exemption stated in the proposal will not be applicable or enforced. He asked whether GNPk will be amenable to be dispatched below Pmin unless it is due to transmission limits or line constraints.

Mr. Calano explained that the proposal doesn't solely focus on exemptions due to grid restrictions but encompasses any factor or situation where the plant operates below stable operating load. He emphasized that GNPk proposes to have the opportunity to provide explanations regarding their action to protect the facility when flagged for potential breach to must-offer rule. Additionally, he stressed that the proposal hinges on ensuring stable and reliable plant operations.

- Mr. Morales asked three questions/points: 1) Would the implementation of this proposal conflicts with the implementation of constraint violation variables (CVV) and associated constraint violation coefficients (CVC), which triggers pricing signals? 2) How will the revised definition for General Technical constraints be effectively implemented in the other provisions?, and 3) On the Clause 3.5.11.5 of the WESM Rules, is the proposed item (d) consistent or in parallel with the other items in the current provision?

Mr. Calano inferred that the existence of the concept of secondary price cap (SPC), which is the permanent pre-emptive mitigation measure imposed by ERC to address sustained high market prices, dilutes the price signals in the WESM and the impact to the cost of congestion. He added that the implementation of the proposal will give Generators a valid reason/explanation based on existence of line restriction and the adverse effect of scheduling below Pmin to the operational capabilities of plants.

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### Agreement:

- 1) Deferred the approval of the proposal's publication to request comments from the WESM Members and stakeholders, pending GNPk's submission of a revised technical write-up, as instructed during the previous 230th RCC Meeting last 19 April 2024. The RCC deemed some assumptions in their current technical write-up are no longer applicable or outdated.
- 2) Requested the Secretariat to provide GNPk the consolidated comments/reservations of the RCC which were discussed during the 230th and 231st RCC Meeting, for GNPk's consideration and guidance in revising their technical write-up.
- 3) Agreed to discuss again in the next meeting GNPk's revised write-up to finally decide whether to publish for comments or not.

### 5.3 Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Procedures for Changes to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals

- Presenter/s: Mr. John Eisendel M. Labay
- Action Requested: For Discussion
- Material/s: Annex B – Matrix of comments from MERALCO on the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Procedures for Changes to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals

### Proceedings:

Mr. John Eisendel M. Labay (Secretariat) informed the body that comments were received from MERALCO on 16 May 2024. He presented the matrix of comments for the RCC's information and discussion.

### Agreement:

The RCC agreed to further deliberate on the proposal in the next RCC meeting, with the presence of the representatives from the commenter.

## 6.0 Other Matters

### 6.1 Updates on Other Proposed Amendments

- Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
- Action Requested: For Information
- Material/s: Annex C - Presentation Material of Updates on Other Proposed Amendments

### Proceedings:

Ms. Bisnar provided an update on other Proposed Amendments. Below is the summary of the status of the proposed amendments.

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Status	Topic
General Amendments under RCC Evaluation or Finalization	1. Non-Security Overriding Constraints 2. Rules Change Process
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 3. Interruptible Load Program 4. Market Intervention and Suspension 5. Penalty and Enforcement

She also informed the body that the PEM Audit Committee (PAC) had sent a letter to the Rules Change Committee (RCC) regarding the Audit Report of the 8th Audit of Market Operations and Market Monitoring and Assessment Review. On the RCC's invitation for PAC to present the report, the PAC responded that they will not be able to but will be responding to questions on the said report.

Agreement:

The RCC noted the updates provided.

### 6.2 DOE Updates

Proceedings:

Ms. Jhannelyn D. Marasigan (DOE) informed the body that the DOE is currently finalizing the draft department circulars of the proposed amendments on the following topics:

1. System Operator Procedures on Market Intervention and Suspension
2. Ancillary Services Monitoring
3. Interruptible Load Program
4. Market Intervention and Suspension
5. Penalty and Enforcement

Agreement:

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### 6.3 Schedule of Activities:

- Presenter/s: Ms. Mary Rose L. Bisnar
- Action Requested: For Information
- Material/s: None

#### Proceedings:

Ms. Cruz informed the body of the following Schedule of Activities:

- a) RCC Meetings
  - 21 June 2024
  - 19 July 2024
- b) BRC Meeting (no RCC agenda item)
  - 20 May 2024
- c) PEM Board Meeting (no RCC agenda item)
  - 29 May 2024

#### Agreement:

The RCC noted the schedules.

## 7.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 AM.

Prepared by:



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Approved by:

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 Chairperson, Independent

**RACHEL ANGELA P. ANOSAN**  
 Member, Independent

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 Manila Electric Company (MERALCO)

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 Member, Distribution Sector  
 Angeles Electric Corporation (AEC)

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 Member, Supply Sector  
 First Gen Corporation (FGEN)

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

**JOSE RODERICK F. FERNANDO**  
 Member, Independent

**JORDAN REL C. ORILLAZA**  
 Member, Independent

**CHERRY A. JAVIER**  
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 Vivant Corporation – Philippines (Vivant)

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 Nueva Ecija II Area 1 Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
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Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

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# PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MUST OFFER RULE

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## THE PROPONENT

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- The proponent is GNPowder Kauswagan Ltd. Co. (GNPK), which is a private limited partnership which owns and operates a **4 x 151 MW(gross) or 4 x 138MW(net) coal-fired power generation** facility located in **Brgy. Libertad, Municipality of Kauswagan, Lanao del Norte**.

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### Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

## OUTLINE



**ACTION  
REQUESTED**



**RATIONALE OF THE  
PROPOSAL**



**SUMMARY OF THE  
PROPOSAL**

## ACTION REQUESTED

- GNPK is requesting for the amendments to the following:
  - WESM Rules specifically Section 3.5.11.5 and Chapter 11 Glossary: Generator Technical Constraint.
  - WESM Dispatch Protocol Section 6.13

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## **RATIONALE OF THE PROPOSAL**

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- The capability of thermal plants to follow frequent and sudden load variations are dependent on the plant's efficiency and parameters which must be attained and maintained.
- Trading Participants ("TP") as a Generation Facility have considerations such as the technical and operational constraints of the facility when submitting market offers to ensure that there will be no compromise on the standard parameters of the facility while at the same time complying to the MOR.

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## **RATIONALE OF THE PROPOSAL**

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- Grid limitations also have an impact on the plants' capability to inject to the grid as it also limits the plant to be able to only supply a certain level of power to ensure that there will be no violation on the grid stability.
- This proposal is applicable should the facility be subject to continuous operations below its intended stable operations of its units whereby risking the units to be on forced deration or outage.

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### Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

## RATIONALE OF THE PROPOSAL

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- Allow the Generation Facilities to exercise its right to make sound judgment to protect its facility from adverse impacts of generating below its stable operating conditions in the event that such situations become evident.

## RATIONALE OF THE PROPOSAL

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- proposed amendments objectives:
  - MOR to consider physical conditions of the facility;
  - Offering/bidding to consider the stability of the units;
  - Include other conditions in revising/updating offers;



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### Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

### WESM RULES

Title	Section	Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale
Submission of offers, bids, and data	3.5.11.5	Market bids or market offers for any dispatch interval shall be revised by Trading Participants prior to gate closure in accordance with the timetable if these offers no longer represent a reasonable estimate of:  (a) the status of the relevant generating unit (e.g., generator circuit breaker status, outage) or scheduled load for that dispatch interval; or  (b) the capacity that can be attained taking into account the ramp rate limitations of the generating unit during the relevant dispatch interval; or  (c) the demand bids or offers likely to apply for the real-time dispatch optimization of that dispatch interval.	Market bids or market offers for any dispatch interval shall be revised by Trading Participants prior to gate closure in accordance with the timetable if these offers no longer represent a reasonable estimate of:  (a) the status of the relevant generating unit (e.g., generator circuit breaker status, outage) or scheduled load for that dispatch interval; or  (b) the capacity that can be attained taking into account the ramp rate limitations of the generating unit during the relevant dispatch interval; or  (c) the demand bids or offers likely to apply for the real-time dispatch optimization of that dispatch interval; or  <u>(d) transmission corridor restrictions and/or limitations on the grid which evidently limited the generation facility to be dispatched outside the stable parameters of its generating units.</u>	Grid limitations also have an impact on the plants' capability to inject to the grid as it also limits the plant to be able to only supply a certain level of power to ensure that there will be no violation on the grid stability.  This proposal is applicable should the facility be subject to continuous operations below its intended stable operations of its units whereby risking the units to be on forced deration or outage.  We propose that the rules provide the Generation Facilities its right to make sound judgment to protect its facility from adverse impacts of generating below its stable operating conditions in the event that such situations become evident.

## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

Chapter 11 Glossary	Generator Technical Constraint	<b>Generator Technical Constraint.</b> Refers to plant equipment-related failure limitations encountered during start-up/shutdown procedure, effects of ambient temperature, and resource-related constraints due to the following:  a) water elevation and diversion requirements for domestic or irrigation use for impounding hydro plants and water flow from rivers for run-of river hydro power plants;  b) steam quality (chemical composition, condensable and non-condensable gases, steam pressure and temperature) for geothermal plants;  c) unavailability of fuel resources that are not within the control of the Generation Company for biomass power plants; and  d) steam flow limitations, station load, and electricity demand of its energy host, in the case of the co-generation systems.	<b>Generator Technical Constraint.</b> Refers to plant equipment-related failure limitations encountered during start-up/shutdown procedure, effects of ambient temperature, and resource-related constraints due to the following:  a) water elevation and diversion requirements for domestic or irrigation use for impounding hydro plants and water flow from rivers for run-of river hydro power plants;  b) steam quality (chemical composition, condensable and non-condensable gases, steam pressure and temperature) for geothermal plants;  c) unavailability of fuel resources that are not within the control of the Generation Company for biomass power plants; and  d) steam flow limitations, <u>continued steam bypass</u> , station load, and electricity demand of its energy host, in the case of the co-generation systems.  <u>(e) flame loss or sudden loss of flame stability, continuous tripping of mills.</u>  <u>(f) imposition of grid restrictions and/or limitation/s to a specific transmission line/s or segment/s which evidently limited the generation facility to be dispatched outside the stable parameters of its generating units.</u>	Provide existing conditions which contributes to the limitations on the plants' ability to supply power to the grid.
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### Annex A – Presentation on the Proposed Amendments to the Must-Offer Rule

## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

### WESM Dispatch Protocol Manual

Title	Section	Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale
Revisions of Self-scheduled Nominations, Bids and Offers Based on Reasonable Estimates	6.13	<p>Trading Participants shall revise their self-scheduled nominations, bids, or offers, if the self-scheduled nominations, bids or offers submitted no longer represent a reasonable estimate of either the following:</p> <p>a. The status (e.g., generator circuit breaker status, outage) for the dispatch interval of the relevant generating unit or scheduled load; or</p> <p>b. The capacity that can be attained taking into account the ramp rate limitations</p> <p>of the generating unit during the relevant dispatch interval; or</p> <p>c. The loading level, projected output, bid or offer likely to apply in the real-time dispatch optimization for the dispatch interval.</p>	<p>Trading Participants shall revise their self-scheduled nominations, bids, or offers, if the self-scheduled nominations, bids or offers submitted no longer represent a reasonable estimate of either the following:</p> <p>a. The status (e.g., generator circuit breaker status, outage) for the dispatch interval of the relevant generating unit or scheduled load; or</p> <p>b. The capacity that can be attained taking into account the ramp rate limitations</p> <p>of the generating unit during the relevant dispatch interval; or</p> <p>c. The loading level, projected output, bid or offer likely to apply in the real-time dispatch optimization for the dispatch interval.</p> <p><b><u>d. Imposition of grid restrictions and/or limitation/s to a specific transmission line/s or segment/s which evidently limited the generation facility to be dispatched outside the stable parameters of its generating units.</u></b></p>	To harmonize with the proposed amendments in the WESM Rules

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### Annex B – Matrix of comments from MERALCO on the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Procedures for Changes to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals

WESM Rules (As of 13 February 2024)								
Title	Clause	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
<p>Please write your general comment here, if any:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For urgent amendments, we propose to shorten the period for the consultation and deliberation process in the RCC and with the PEM Board, to give more time to DOE to complete its process within the six-month period.</li> <li>- There may be instances wherein the amendment is no longer urgent after the initial determination of urgency due to changes in circumstance. In such cases, the RCC and/or the PEM Board should be able to review and amend its determination of the urgency of the proposed amendment.</li> <li>- The PEM Board should approve requests for the extension of the implementation of urgent amendments beyond the initial six-month period. The requirement for PEM Board approval provides necessary control and oversight on the implementation of urgent amendments.</li> <li>- The approval of proposed changes to the rules by DOE is necessary to ensure that the various positions of electric industry participants are considered. The participation of DOE representatives in RCC meetings would help DOE in identifying and addressing the relevant issues.</li> </ul>								
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) months subject to the conformation of the Market Operator" <u>until the final decision by the DOE on the corresponding general amendment.</u>	To allow sufficient time for the approval and promulgation of corresponding general proposal	The period within which urgent amendments may be implemented without the final approval of DOE should be limited to six (6) months.	We propose to retain the existing provision:  " <b><u>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 confirmation of the Market Operator</u></b> "		
Chapter 8 – Rule Change  8.4 Consideration of Proposals to Change	8.4.1.2	x x x  In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals	x x x  In cases of changes to the WESM Rules, Market Manuals	To allow sufficient time for the approval and promulgation of	The period within which urgent	We propose to retain the existing provision:  x x x		

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WESM Rules (As of 13 February 2024)								
Title	Clause	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
WESM Rules or Market Manuals or to Adopt New Market Manuals by the Rules Change Committee  8.4.1 Rules Change Classification Procedures		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	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; <del>otherwise, the effectivity of such WESM Rules changes shall be no more than six (6) months from the PEM Board approval.</del> <u>The effectivity of these changes will be until the final decision by the DOE on the corresponding general amendment.</u>	corresponding general proposal	amendments may be implemented without the final approval of DOE should be limited to six (6) months.	<u>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</u>		



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WESM Manual on Rules Change, Issue 5.0								
Title	Section	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
<p>Please write your general comment here, if any:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For urgent amendments, we propose to shorten the period for the consultation and deliberation process in the RCC and with the PEM Board, to give more time to DOE to complete its process within the six-month period.</li> <li>- There may be instances wherein the amendment is no longer urgent after the initial determination of urgency due to changes in circumstance. In such cases, the RCC and/or the PEM Board should be able to review and amend its determination of the urgency of the proposed amendment.</li> <li>- The PEM Board should approve requests for the extension of the implementation of urgent amendments beyond the initial six-month period. The requirement for PEM Board approval provides necessary control and oversight on the implementation of urgent amendments.</li> <li>- The approval of proposed changes to the rules by DOE is necessary to ensure that the various positions of electric industry participants are considered. The participation of DOE representatives in RCC meetings would help DOE in identifying and addressing the relevant issues</li> </ul>								



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WESM Manual on Rules Change, Issue 5.0								
Title	Section	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
Section 6 – General and Minor Amendments  6.1 Rules Change Committee	6.1.5	a) The Rules Change Committee shall make its decision and shall submit its resolution or status report to the PEM Board not later than sixty (60) working days from the date of publication of the notice made pursuant to Section 6.1.2 (a). xxx	a) The Rules Change Committee shall make its decision and shall submit its resolution or status report to the PEM Board not later than sixty (60) working days from the date of publication of the notice made <u>deadline of written submissions</u> pursuant to Section 6.1.2 (a). xxx	To reflect a more realistic period wherein the RCC shall make its decision regarding a proposal.  Noting that after receiving all the written submissions during the thirty (30) working day commenting period, the RCC needs sixty (60) working days – an average of two (2) RCC meetings – for the deliberation of a general proposal.	For urgent amendments, we propose to shorten the period for the consultation and deliberation process in the RCC to give more time to DOE to complete its process within the six-month period.	a) The Rules Change Committee shall make its decision and shall submit its resolution or status report to the PEM Board not later than sixty (60) working days from the deadline of written submissions pursuant to Section 6.1.2 (a). <u>For urgent amendments, the deadline for written submissions shall be thirty (30) business days from the date of publication. The Rules Change Committee shall make its decision and shall submit its resolution to the PEM Board not later than sixty (60) business days from the deadline of written submissions.</u>		

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WESM Manual on Rules Change, Issue 5.0								
Title	Section	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
Chapter 7 – Urgent Amendments  7.4 Effectivity of Urgent Amendment	7.4 (a) & (b)	<p>(a) The approved urgent amendment shall become effective within twenty-four (24) hours upon publication of the relevant Rules and/or <i>Market Manual(s)</i> in the market information website and Governance Arm website. The Governance Arm and <i>Market Operator</i> shall issue an advisory to the participants of the date of its effectivity. The Governance Arm and <i>Market Operator</i> shall publish the amendments within twenty-four (24) hours from its approval and advisories shall be made through email, the market information website and the Governance Arm website.</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>(a) The approved urgent amendment shall become effective within twenty-four (24) hours upon publication of the relevant Rules and/or <i>Market Manual(s)</i> in the market information website and Governance Arm website. The Governance Arm and <i>Market Operator</i> shall issue an advisory to the participants of the date of its effectivity. The Governance Arm and <i>Market Operator</i> shall publish the amendments within twenty-four (24) hours from its approval and advisories shall be made through email, the market information website and the Governance Arm website.</p> <p>(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 the final decision by the DOE on the general amendment on the same matter has been approved and become effective, whichever comes first.</p>	<p>To harmonize with the amendments in WESM Rules</p> <p>Note: Inclusion of 7.4 (a) for clarity of start of effectivity for an urgent amendment in relation to the deletion of phrase 'from publication for under subsection (a) hereof' on 7.4 (b)</p>	<p>The period within which urgent amendments may be implemented without the final approval of DOE should be limited to six (6) months.</p>	<p>We propose to retain the existing provision:  <del>Xxx</del>  (b) <u>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.</u></p>		

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Title	Section	Original Provision	Proposed Amendment	Rationale	Comment	Proposed Re-wording based on Comment	Original Proponent's Response	RCC Decision
Chapter 7 – Urgent Amendments  7.4 Effectivity of Urgent Amendment	7.4 (g)	<del>xxx</del>  (g) 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.	<del>xxx</del>  (g) 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.	With the proposed amendments in WESM Rules and Clause 7.4 (b) of this manual, extension of effectivity of urgent amendments will not be necessary.  Note that the MAG will still submit the assessment on the implementation of urgent amendments under Clause 7.4 (f) of this manual	The PEM Board should approve requests for the extension of the implementation of urgent amendments beyond the initial six-month period. The requirement for PEM Board approval provides necessary control and oversight on the implementation of urgent amendments	We propose to retain the existing provision:  <u>(g) On the basis of the assessment conducted by the Market Assessment Group, the PEM Board may extend the effectivity of urgent amendments for up to six (6) months and shall inform the DOE of such extension.</u>		



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##### Urgent Amendments

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



#### UPDATES ON THE PROPOSALS

##### Urgent Amendments

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
1	Proposed New WESM Manual on <b>Ancillary Services Monitoring</b> (Urgent Proposal)	PEMC	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 <b>Non-security Over-riding Constraints</b>	NPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proponent submitted revised proposal on 12 September 2023</li> <li>Mar 15 (229<sup>th</sup>): Deferred; tabled for decision on April 2024 meeting</li> <li><b>27 Mar 2024 – NPC sent letter to DOE</b></li> <li><b>4 April 2024 – Supplementary letter from RCC to DOE</b></li> <li><b>For RCC's approval – draft RCC-RESO-24-03 on the Conclusion of the NPC's proposal</b></li> </ul>
2	Proposed Amendments to the <b>Rules Change Process</b>	RCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Published in PEMC Website to request for comments.</li> <li>Deadline for Submission of Comments: <b>16 May 2024</b></li> </ul>



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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 <b>No Outstanding Balance</b> (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 <b>Electric Retail Aggregation Program</b>	IEMOP	



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General Amendments – For DOE Promulgation

	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
1	Proposed New WESM Manual on <b>Ancillary Services Monitoring</b> (Urgent Proposal)	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transmitted to the DOE in a letter dated 09 November 2023</li> <li>DOE conducted virtual Public Consultation on 05 December 2023</li> <li><b>For finalization of DOE</b></li> </ul>
2	Proposed General Amendments to the WESM Rules and Various WESM Manuals on the <b>Interruptible Load Program Implementation</b>	IEMOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jan 08, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval</li> <li>Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board <b>PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-03</b></li> <li>DOE conducted Public Consultation: 3 April 2024, 17 April 2024 and 23 April 2024</li> <li><b>For finalization of DOE</b></li> </ul>
3	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding <b>Market Intervention and Suspension</b>	MSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jan 08, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval</li> <li>Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board <b>PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-04</b></li> <li>DOE conducted Public Consultation: 3 April 2024, 17 April 2024 and 23 April 2024</li> <li><b>For finalization of DOE</b></li> </ul>

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	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
4	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manuals on <b>Penalty, and Enforcement and Compliance</b>	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jan 8, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval</li> <li>Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board <b>PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-06</b></li> <li>DOE conducted Public Consultation: 3 April 2024, 17 April 2024 and 23 April 2024</li> <li><b>For finalization of DOE</b></li> </ul>
5	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Enhancements and Updating of the <b>System Operator's Re-Dispatching, Reporting and Market Intervention/Suspension Procedures</b>	NGCP	<p>Under DOE finalization stage</p> <p>Concluded DOE Public Consultation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>23 Aug 2023 – Luzon (BGC)</li> <li>31 Aug 2023 – Mindanao (General Santos)</li> <li>06 Sept 2023 – Visayas (Cebu)</li> </ul>



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	Proposal	Proponent	Update/Status
4	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manuals on <b>Penalty, and Enforcement and Compliance</b>	PEMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jan 8, 2024: Endorsed to PEM Board, for approval</li> <li>Jan 31, 2024: Approved by the PEM Board <b>PEM Board Resolution No. 2024-68-06</b></li> <li>DOE conducted Public Consultation: 3 April 2024, 17 April 2024 and 23 April 2024</li> <li><b>For finalization of DOE</b></li> </ul>
5	Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Dispatch Protocol regarding Enhancements and Updating of the <b>System Operator's Re-Dispatching, Reporting and Market Intervention/Suspension Procedures</b>	NGCP	<p>Under DOE finalization stage</p> <p>Concluded DOE Public Consultation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>23 Aug 2023 – Luzon (BGC)</li> <li>31 Aug 2023 – Mindanao (General Santos)</li> <li>06 Sept 2023 – Visayas (Cebu)</li> </ul>



#### OTHER MATTERS

- For RCC's information
  - PEM Audit Committee (PAC) had sent a letter to the Rules Change Committee (RCC) regarding on its Audit Report on 8<sup>th</sup> Audit of Market Operations and Market Monitoring and Assessment Review



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