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Undertaking

TO CONFIRM WHETHER THE FREQUENCY OF THE DECISION TO RUN THE PUMP IS HOURLY, OR NOT, OR TO PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION.

Response

All market bid and offer decisions in relation to the Sir Adam Beck Pump Generating Station ("PGS") are part of OPG's commercial operations in the IESO Administered Market and are executed in OPG's 24/7 staffed Portfolio Management Center. The pricing strategy of the forward-looking pump and generation cycles are evaluated by OPG staff continually in order to support the assessment required for tracking and responding to the potential impact of real time market events and the various operational considerations related to the role of the PGS in managing the Beck crossover.[1]

The PGS bids or offers are submitted hourly, in accordance with the bids and offers requirements specified in the IESO Market Rules.[2]

[1] The crossover is the intersection point of the Power Canal, the three underground tunnels and the intake/discharge for the PGS.
[2] IESO Market Rules, Chapter 7 System Operations and Physical Markets, Section 3.5 Energy Offers and Energy Bids, p. 35.