

Operating Procedures

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*Action In An Emergency – Appendix A –
Instructions For Implementation of Manual
Load Shedding*

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APPENDIX A - INSTRUCTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF MANUAL LOAD SHEDDING

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NOTE

The following instructions are to be observed by the ISO New England (ISO) Control Room Staff during the manual shedding of load and manual restoration of previously shed load.

I. WHEN SHEDDING LOAD NEW ENGLAND WIDE:**A. COMMUNICATION WITH LOCAL CONTROL CENTERS (LCCs)**

All LCCs will be on the party line prior to the time the ISO Control Room Staff issues instructions.

B. QUANTITY OF LOAD

The ISO Control Room Staff will direct the quantity of load to be shed or restored by specifying a step number.

$$\text{Step Number} = \frac{\text{Total MW Load to be Shed or Restored} \times 100}{\text{Instantaneous New England Load}}$$

C. IMPLEMENTATION MESSAGES

The ISO Control Room Staff will issue a concise verbal directed action and await LCC repeat back, which should be received from each LCC alphabetically. ISO shall acknowledge each LCC repeat back of instructions as correct or reissue the instruction.

Typical messages are as follows:

Directed Actions by ISO:

1. ISO to ALL: "Implement OP 7, manually shed load from step __ through step _"
- or
2. ISO to ALL: "Implement OP 7, manually restore load from step __ through step _"

Acknowledgments by each LCC:

1. Each LCC to ISO: "OP 7, manually shed load from step __ through step __"
- or
2. Each LCC to ISO: "OP 7, manually restore load from step __ through step __"

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to Each LCC: "That is correct."
(If misunderstandings occur, reissue the directive)

D. EXAMPLES:

Typical Load Shedding Implementation Directed Action and Acknowledgment Messages

Assumed Conditions:

New England Load - 21,400 MW

NEED: Shed 500 MW uniformly throughout New England.
 $50,000 / 21,400 = 2.3$

Messages:Directed Action by ISO:

1. ISO to ALL LCCs: “Implement OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”

Acknowledgment by LCCs:

1. CONVEX to All: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”
2. MAINE to All: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”
3. New Hampshire to All: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”
4. NSTAR to All: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”
5. REMVEC II to All: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”
6. VELCO to ALL: “OP 7, manually shed load from step 1 through step 3.”

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to each LCC: “That is correct.”
(If misunderstandings occur, reissue the directive)

Typical Restoration of Previously Shed Load Implementation Directed Action and Acknowledgment Messages

Assumed Conditions:

New England Load = 20,900 MW

NEED: Restore 500 MW of load that had been previously shed uniformly throughout New England.

Calculation results: $50,000 / 20,900 = 2.4$

Messages:

Directed Action by ISO:

1. ISO to ALL: “Implement OP 7, manually restore load from step 3 through step 1.”

Acknowledgment by each LCC:

1. CONVEX to All: “OP 7, manually restore load from step 3 through step 1.”
(Other LCCs respond in alphabetical order)

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to ALL: “That is correct.”
(If misunderstandings occur, reissue the directive)

II. WHEN SHEDDING LOAD IN INDIVIDUAL LCC AREA(S)

A. COMMUNICATION WITH LCC(S)

NOTE:

An affected LCC is an LCC that is within the area in which load shedding will be effective in alleviating a problem.

Each affected LCC will be contacted individually and a concise verbal directed action will be issued by the ISO Control Room Staff. When each affected LCC has been contacted, the unaffected LCCs will be contacted individually and informed of the situation.

B. QUANTITY OF LOAD TO BE SHED OR RESTORED

The ISO Control Room Staff will direct the quantity of load to be shed or restored by specifying a (MW) amount. The affected LCC Operator will be responsible for converting the MW amount into a step number if required.

C. AFFECTED LCC IMPLEMENTATION MESSAGES

The ISO Control Room Staff will issue a concise verbal directed action to each affected LCC and await acknowledgment. Typical messages are as follows:

Directed Action by ISO:

1. ISO to Affected LCC: "Implement OP 7, manually shed (___) MW of load."
- or
2. ISO to Affected LCC: "Implement OP 7, manually restore (___) MW of load."

Acknowledgment by Affected LCC:

1. Affected LCC to ISO: "OP 7, manually shed (___) MW of load."
- or
2. Affected LCC to ISO: "OP 7, manually restore (___) MW of load."

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to Affected LCC: "That is correct."
(If misunderstandings occur, reissue the directive)

D. EXAMPLES:

Typical Implementation and Acknowledgment Messages

Assumed Conditions:

NEED: Shed 200 MW of load in CONVEX.

Messages:

Directed Action by ISO:

1. ISO to CONVEX: “Implement OP 7, manually shed 200 MW of load.”

Acknowledgment by CONVEX:

1. CONVEX to ISO: “OP 7, manually shed 200 MW of load.”

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to CONVEX: “That is correct.”

(If misunderstandings occur, then reissue the directive)

E. UNAFFECTED LCC NOTIFICATION MESSAGES

The unaffected LCCs will be notified by the ISO Control Room Staff after each affected LCC has been instructed to implement OP 7. A typical notification and message for the ISO Control Room Staff and System Operators is:

Notification of Implementation by ISO:

1. ISO to Unaffected LCCs: “This is a notification that OP 7 is being implemented in CONVEX. CONVEX has been instructed to manually shed/restore (___) MW load.”

Acknowledgment by Unaffected LCCs

1. Unaffected LCCs to ISO: “CONVEX has manually shed/restored (___) MW of load.”

Acknowledgment by ISO:

1. ISO to Unaffected LCCs: “That is correct.”

(If misunderstandings occur, reissue the directive)

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