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## SO UPS has successfully standardized balancing market business processes across all price zones of the Wholesale Electricity and Capacity Market (WECM)

Starting April 1, hourly calculations for the Balancing Market Plan have been implemented by SO UPS in the East IPS, aligning with the current BM model applied in the Russian UPS.

In line with the Government Decree, on January 1, 2025, the East IPS was integrated into the second price zone of WECM. In preparation for the transition, SO UPS implemented all necessary technological processes, including SCUC, updating the calculation model for day-ahead market and load schedules for intraday market.

Intraday BM calculations were first launched on October 1, 2022, with two calculations per day. The frequency of calculations gradually increased: 6 per day starting April 4, 2023; 12 – starting April 2, 2024; and finally, 24 hourly– starting April 1, 2025.

SO UPS underlines that the transition to hourly BMP calculations marks the completion of the standardization process for short-term planning technologies across all price zones within WECM.

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