

Using Business Architecture blueprints to mitigate the organizational impact of policy change in Alberta's deregulated electric industry

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- Electricity is a unique product
 - Indistinguishable no matter who produces it
 - Consumed as soon as its produced
 - Can be stored but has short “shelf-life”
- Despite (or because of it) this we have deregulated it....
 - 1900s electricity deemed a “natural monopoly”
 - Improvement in transmission technology allowed for separation of the generation from the wires
 - 1990 the first deregulated markets started to appear
 - Competition should result in cost minimization and force prices toward their minimum

- Alberta deregulated electricity in 1996
- Alberta Electric System Operator mandate:
 - Ensure the safe reliable economic operation of the system in a fair, efficient and openly competitive manner
 - Develop a competitive wholesale market for electricity
 - Plan for the future needs the electric transmission system
 - Provide customer access to the transmission system and market
- Unique “energy only” power pool
- Plan for no congestion on the wires
- Part of the larger North American interconnected system
- Not under federal (US), but rather provincial regulation

Electricity deregulation issues in Alberta

- Price spikes – price caps
- Congestion
 - unable to build wires fast enough
- No of suppliers
- Lack of demand response
- New Technologies
 - Solar
 - Combined cycle
 - Wind
 - Storage
- Seams issues
- Capacity concerns

Short-run
problems tend
to be more
dramatic than
the benefits

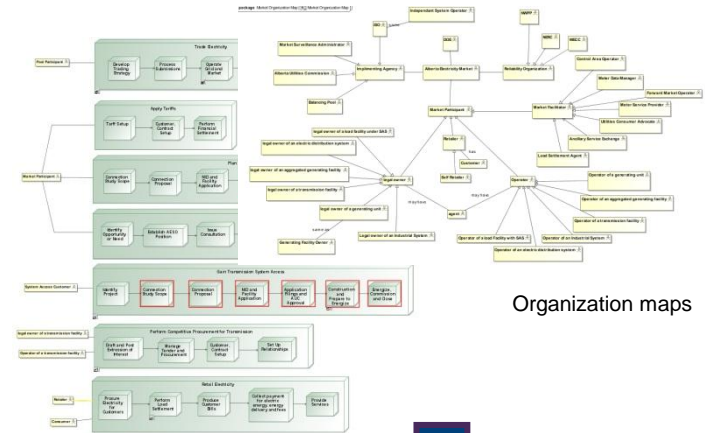
- In the last 16 years there have been
 - 10 amendments to the Electric Utilities Act
 - 8 amendments to the Transmission Regulation
 - Creation of the Alberta Utilities Commission Act in 2004
 - 22 other related acts and regulations created for the purposes of defining the electricity market in Alberta
- And as a result market rules have been impacted
 - Roughly 3 to 5 significant market rule changes per year
- All having an impact on the market implementation
 - ❖ A regulation is a law, supported by an enabling statute or Act, issued by the executive branch of government.

- *We know our market design is constantly evolving*
- *Cant always see exactly what particular change coming next*
- *When we do, must adapt quickly*
- *And that adaption must be done right*
 - *Market clears \$6B to \$8B / year*
 - *No clearinghouse*
 - *Real-time market, prices set every minute*
 - *Market must operate on reliable grid*

AESO strategic planning

Environmental Scanning

Audit Current Strategy



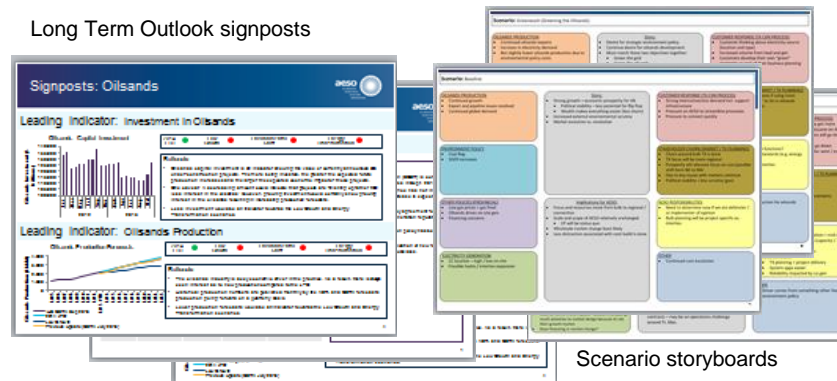
Organization maps

Value streams



Development of New Plan

Long Term Outlook signposts



Scenario storyboards

THE AESO WILL EXECUTE ON ITS 2014-2018 STRATEGIC PLAN WITH THE MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

Mission Statement

The AESO facilitates a fair, efficient and openly competitive market for electricity and provides for the safe, reliable and economic operation of the Alberta Interconnected Electric System. Alberta's need for fairness and efficiency in an openly competitive marketplace will continue as will the need for safety, reliability and economic operation of the provincial grid. Meeting these needs is the AESO's mission. As such, our mission remains the same as our previous strategic plan.

Vision Statement

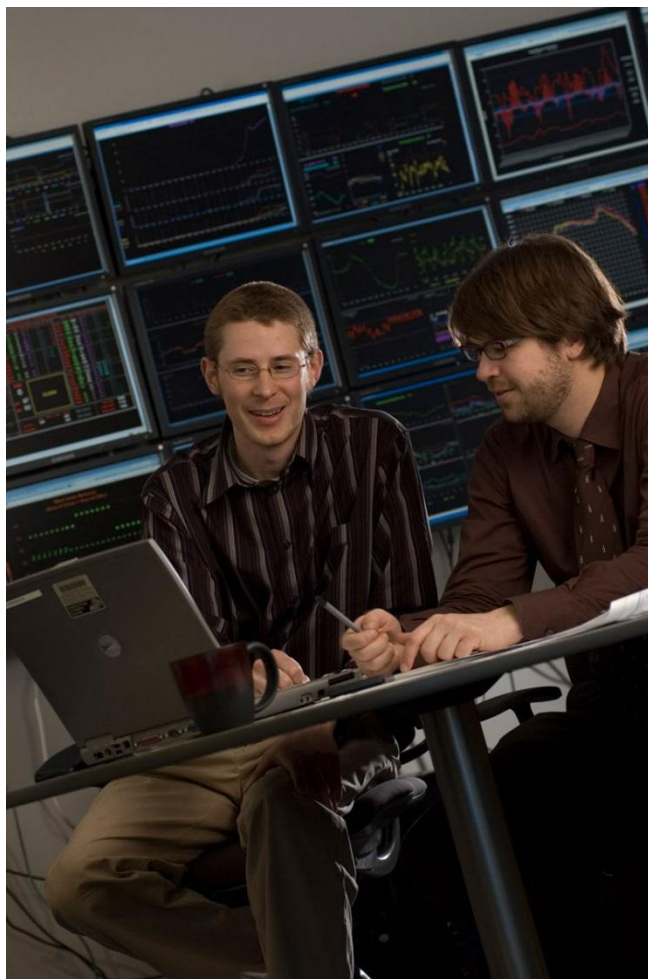
The AESO is the **TRUSTED LEADER** in the advancement of the **ELECTRICITY FRAMEWORK** by ensuring reliability, building competition, enabling Alberta's economic growth, and enhancing the quality of life for Albertans.

The manner in which we execute our mandate must continually evolve in order to consistently serve Albertans. With that in mind, the new AESO vision contains similar themes to the previous AESO vision, but with an emphasis on being a market leader based on our credibility, expertise and innovation as an organization.

- Our strategic plan describes what we must do from a framework, value and people perspective.
- It introduces possible scenarios, the likelihood of them occurring, and the implications to the electricity market
- Each strategic implication has tactical requirements
 - What must change from current state
 - How can the changes best be made

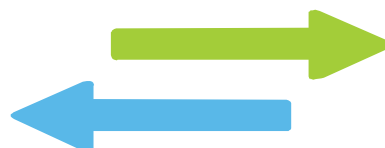
- Market *Economic Models*
 - *produce electric market price forecasts, value and uncertainty analyses*
- Scenario *Implementation Analysis*
 - *Assess unforeseen impacts*
 - *Perform Capability Assessments for new products*
 - *Simplify the market design – fit into what we have, reuse*
 - *Simpler the rule change the more likely it wont be contested*
 - *Understand competing initiatives*
 - *Refactoring opportunities*

Market Simulation



Hourly dispatch:

- By Generator
- Total load



Transmission
Constraints

Transmission System



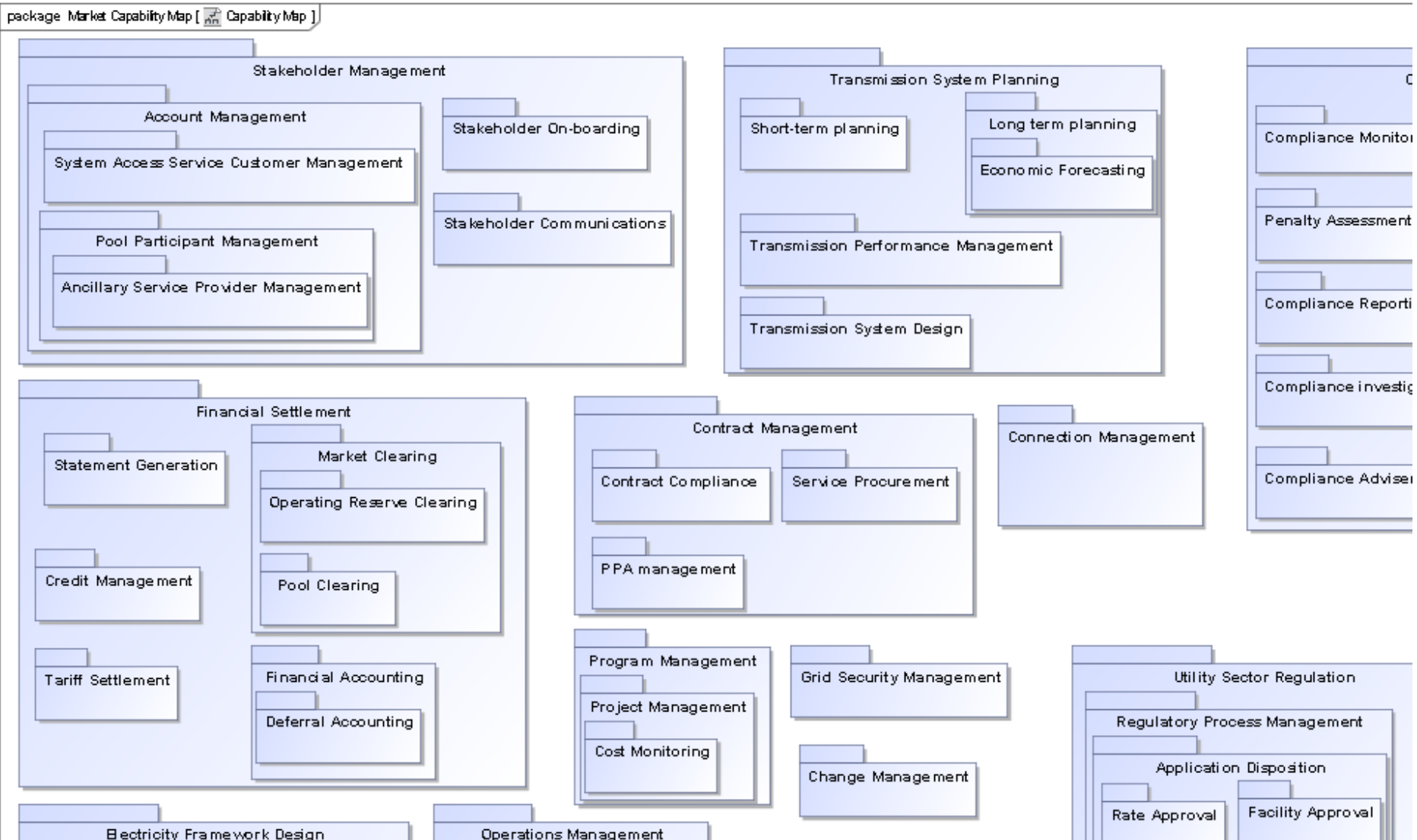
“Marchitecture” – Market Architecture

- A blueprint of the **Electricity Market** that provides a common understanding of **its structure** and is used to align **long-term** objectives and tactical demands.
- In other words, a tool to assess impact of market evolution
 - Implement a market design that addresses the current issues, while respecting our mandate, and guiding policy
- Should “revolution” occur we will be well positioned to deal with that too
 - i.e. Major revision to the Electric Utilities Act

Our “Blueprint”

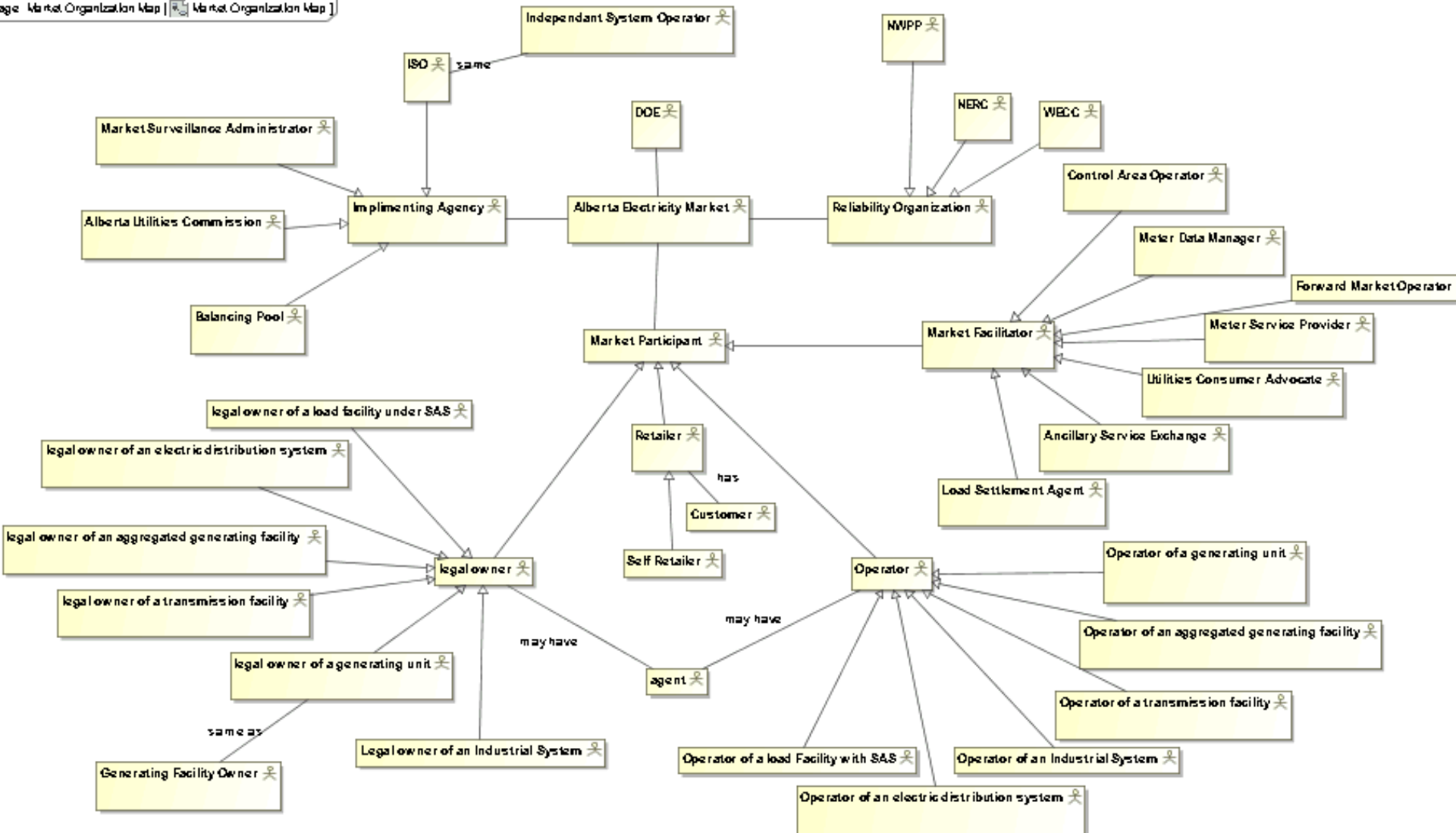
- Is a combination of
 - Capability maps
 - Information maps
 - Product maps
 - Organization and stakeholder maps
 - Model impacts of Initiatives identified via stereotyping
 - Industry Reference models representing key stakeholders
 - Value stream mapping
 - All done using UML constructs
 - and liberties with the UML standard

Capability Map (as UML packages)

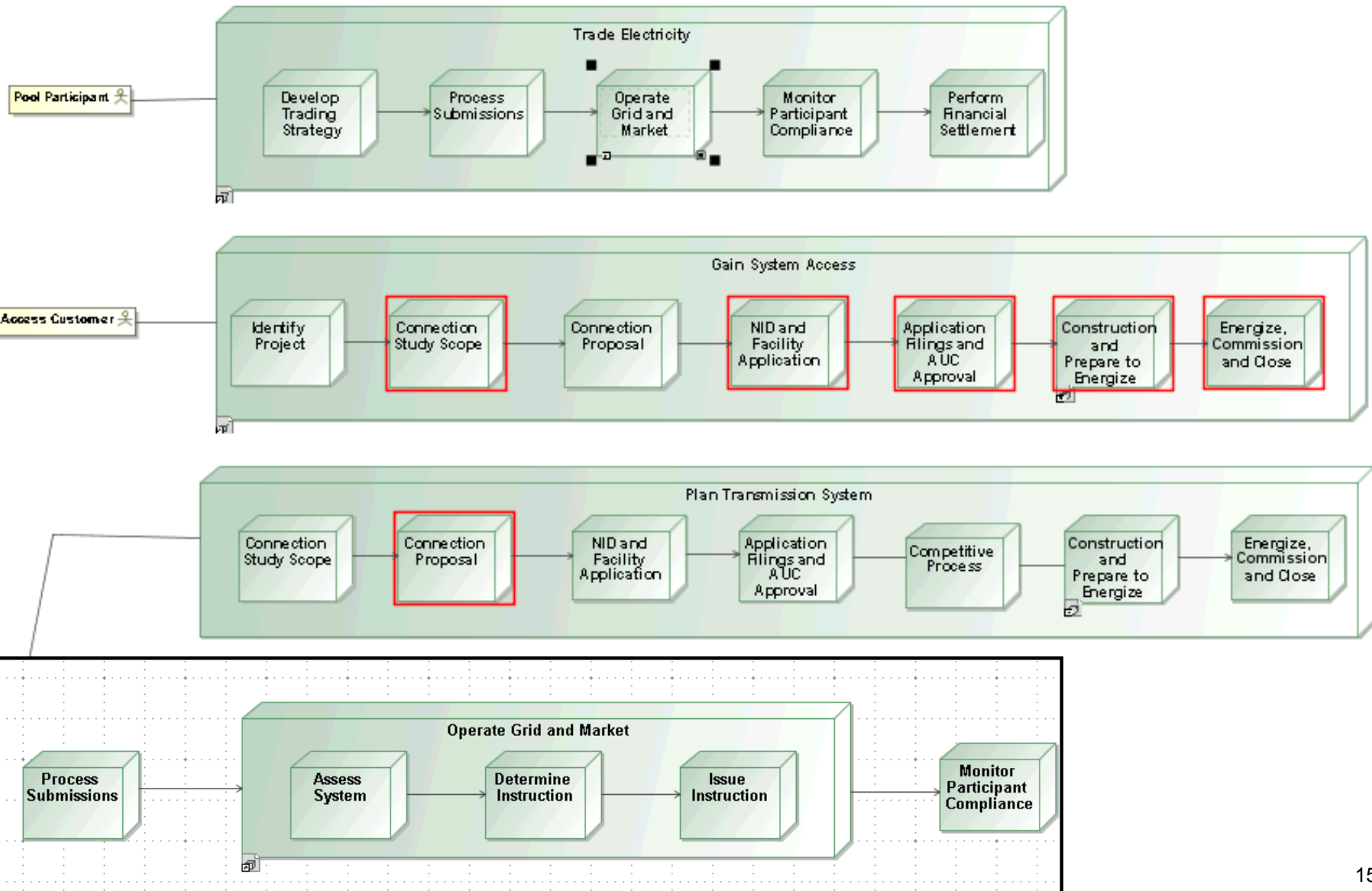


Organization Map (as UML Actors)

age: Market Organization Map [Market Organization Map]

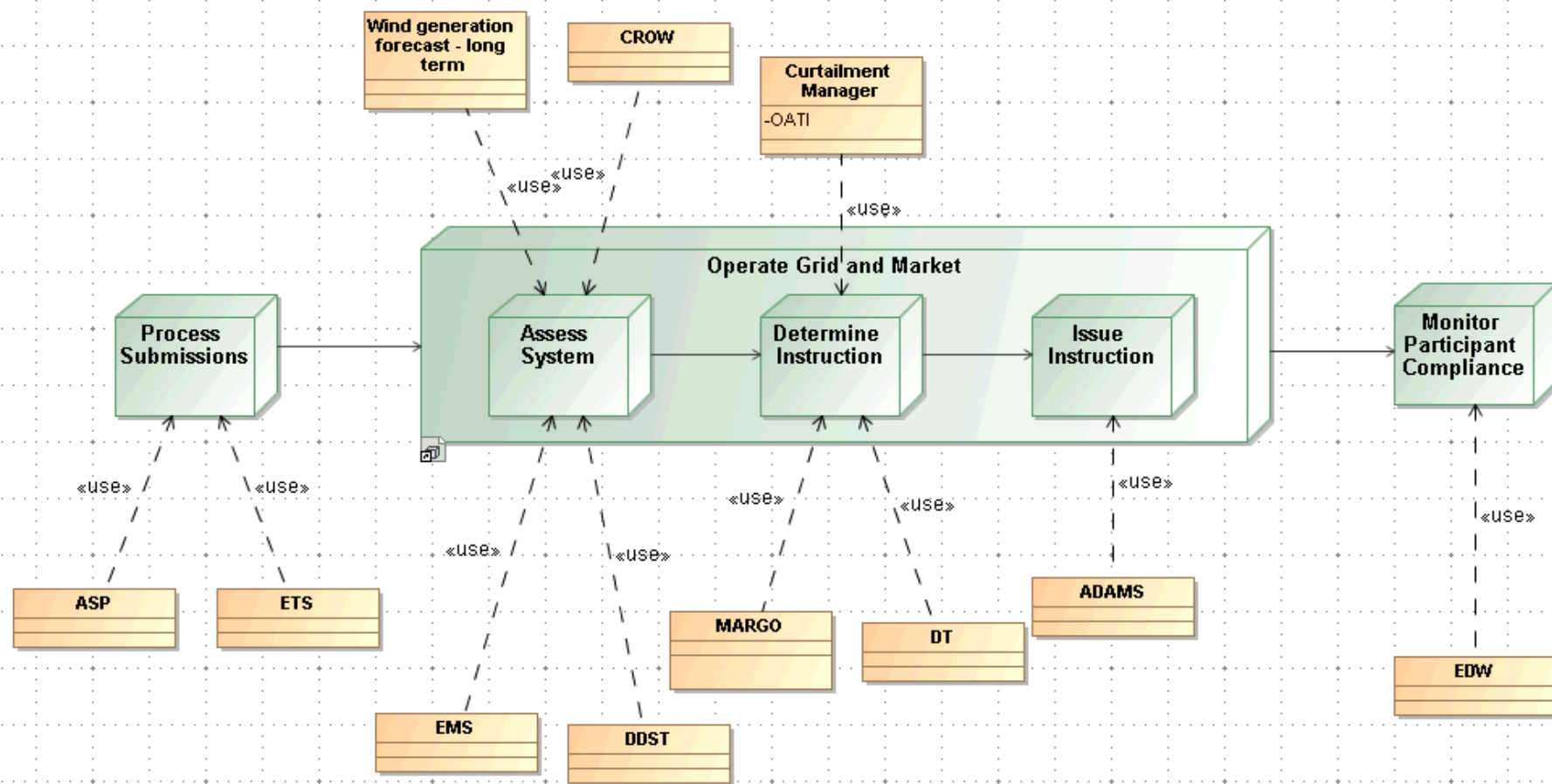


Value Streams (as UML nodes)



Cross Mappings example

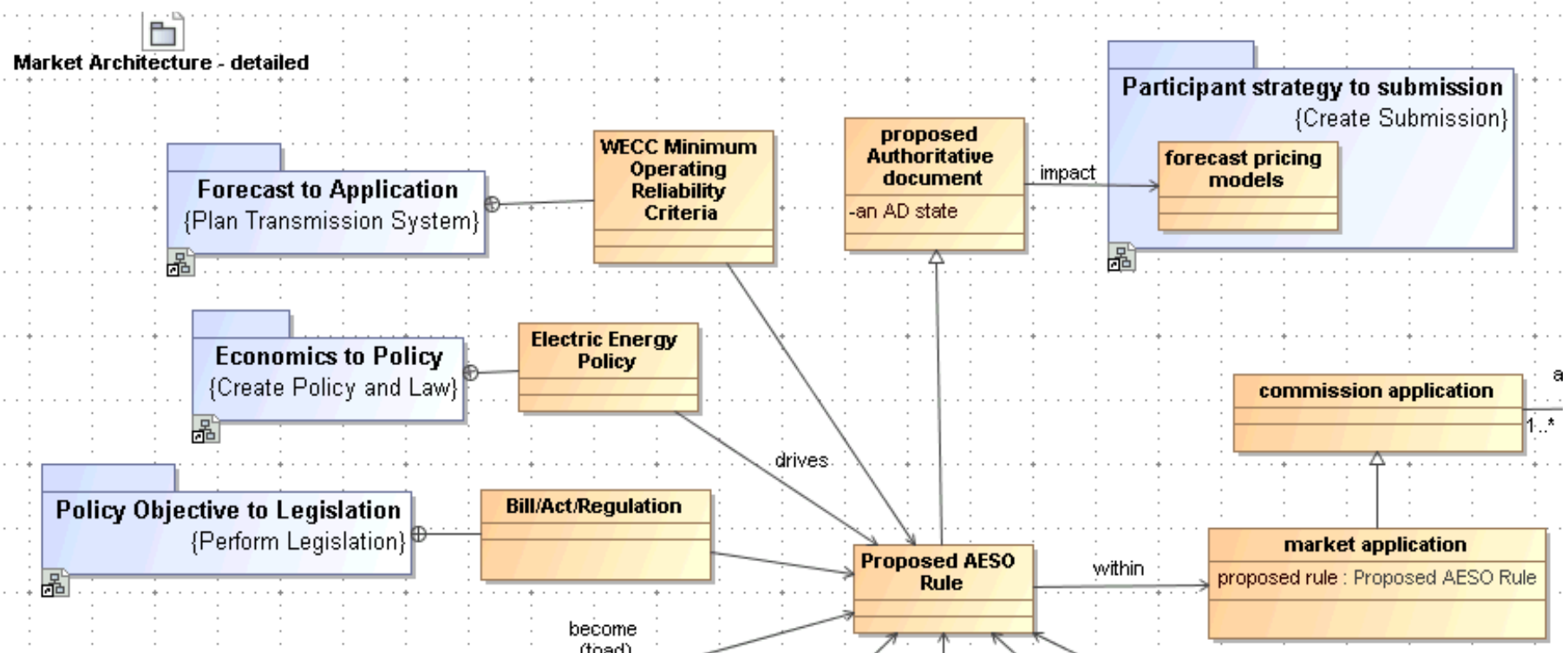
IT Systems to Value stages



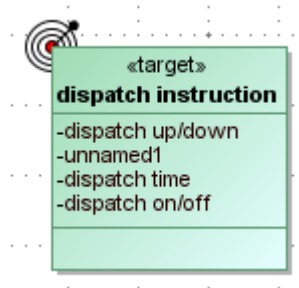
Information Maps (as UML classes)

Market Model is information map grouped by capability:

- UML Classes are classes
- UML Packages are capabilities
- UML Actors are individuals
- UML Associations and generalizations are role links



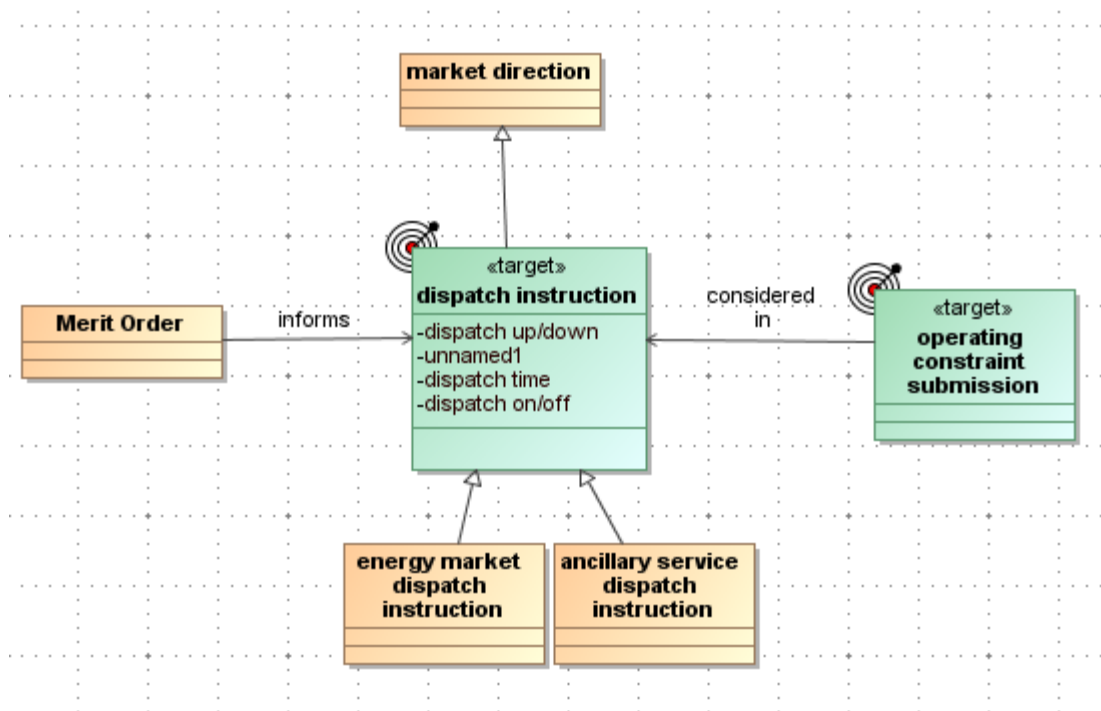
How it began



With each element asked:

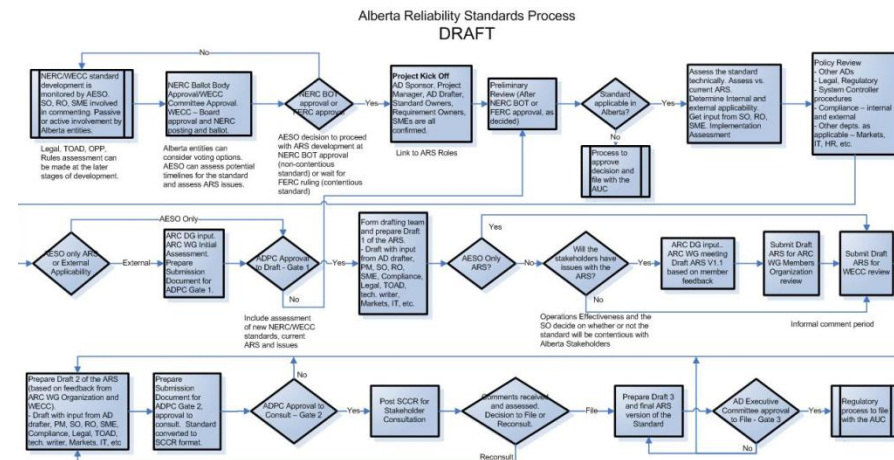
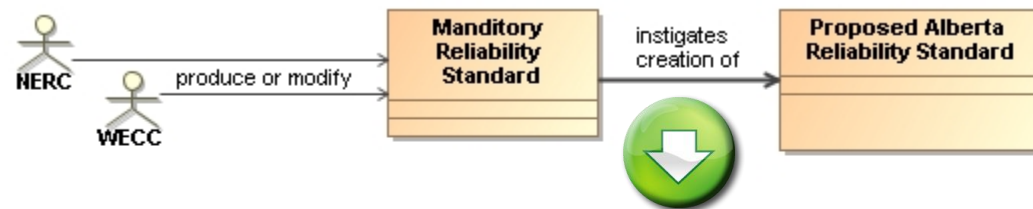
- What went into an elements creation?
- What is it used for?

- One market object feeds the creation of another market object
- One market object may be a parent or child of another market object

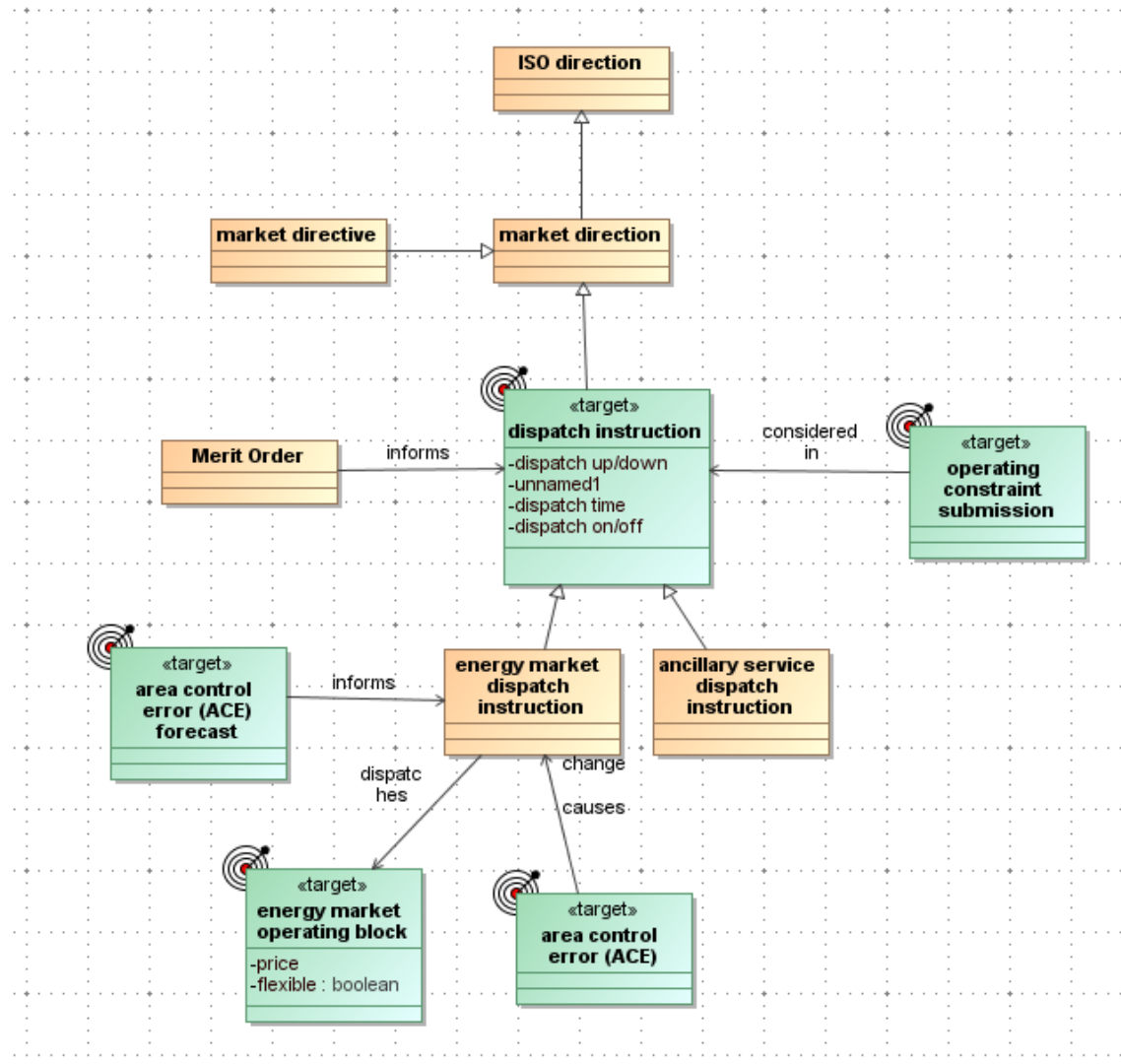


Associations may represent business processes

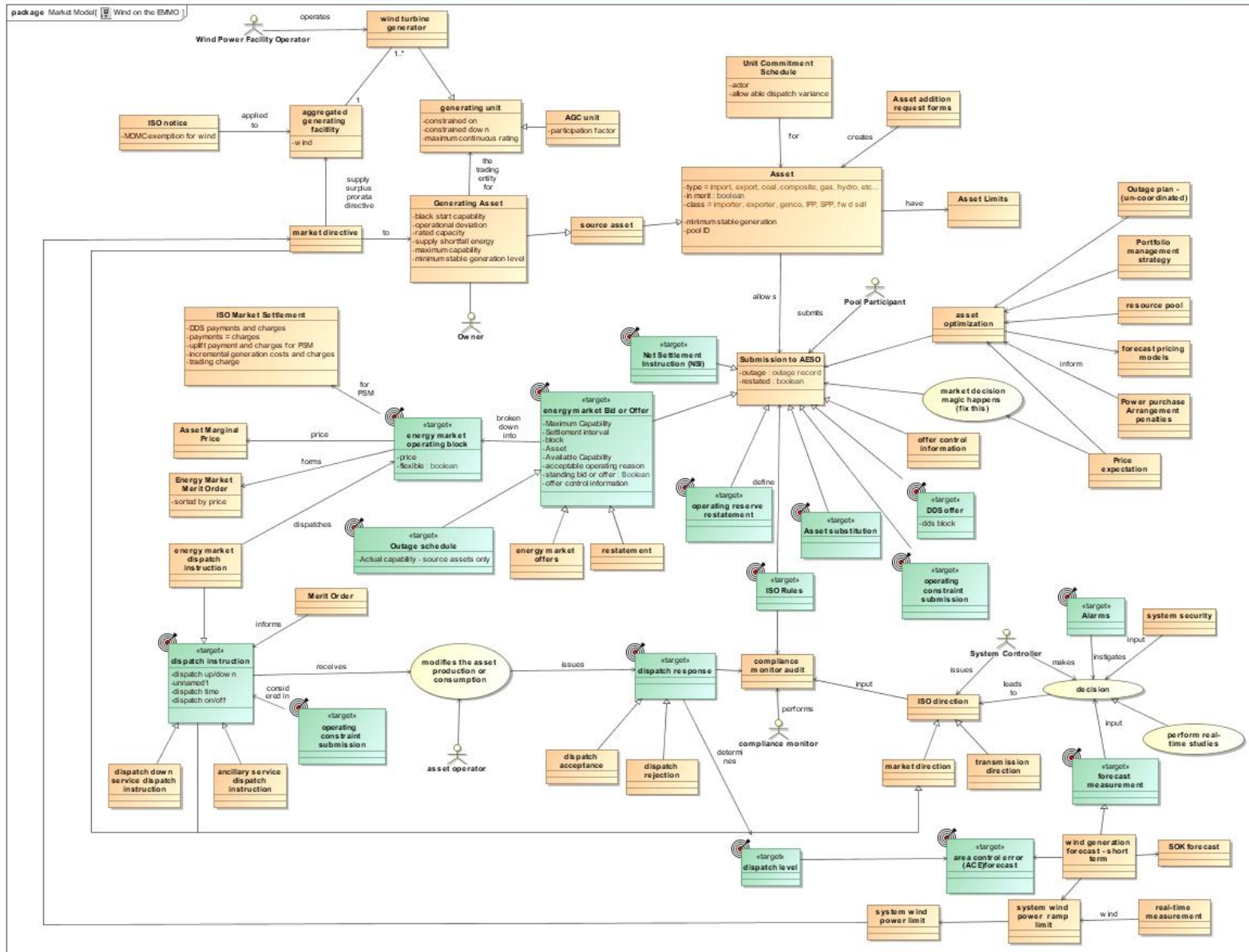
- input/output model
- physical market elements and actors identified



Growing the model



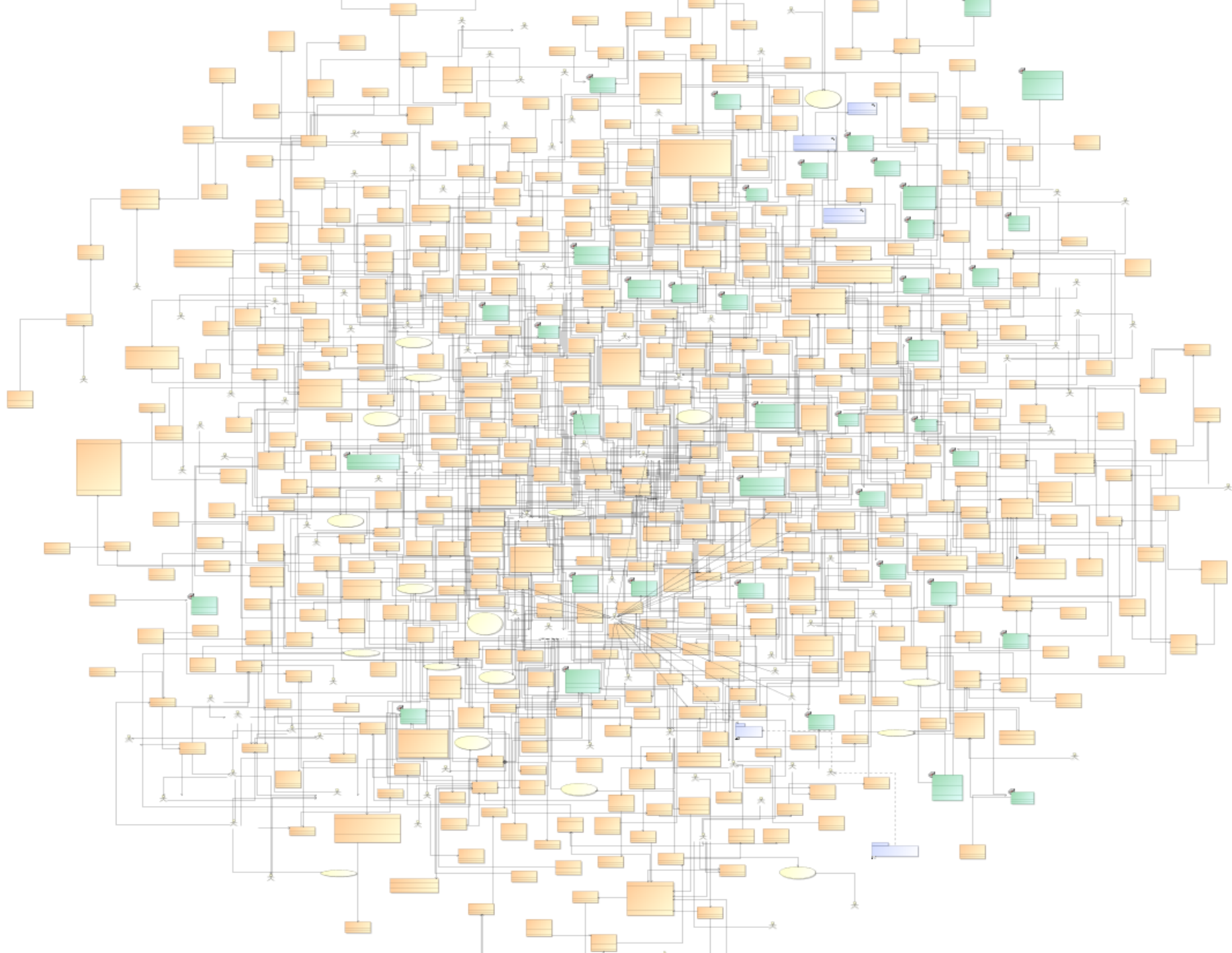
More elements, more associations



900 elements

150 actors

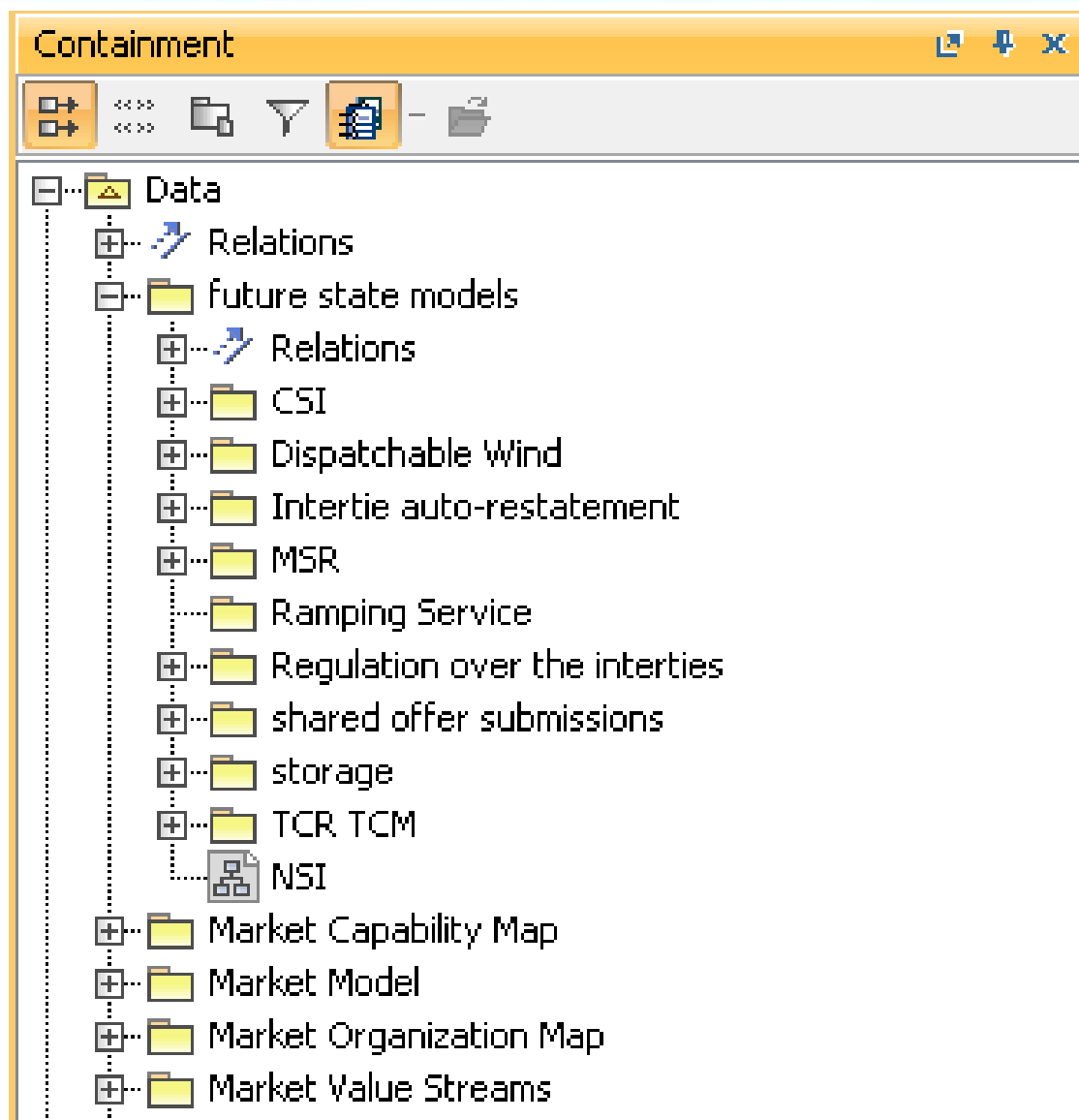
1000s associations



Scenario Thread Pulling

1. Choose the scenario
2. Identify market element central to the theme of the scenario
3. Pull on the threads – query the model
4. With each iteration assess the scenario against the element
5. If no risk to the element stop pulling the thread
6. Document the implications of the to each element (impact assessment)
7. Remove the clutter
8. Look for implementation options to mitigate the risk
 - The simpler, the better
 - Pros and cons of each design scenario

Initiative mapping - Future state models

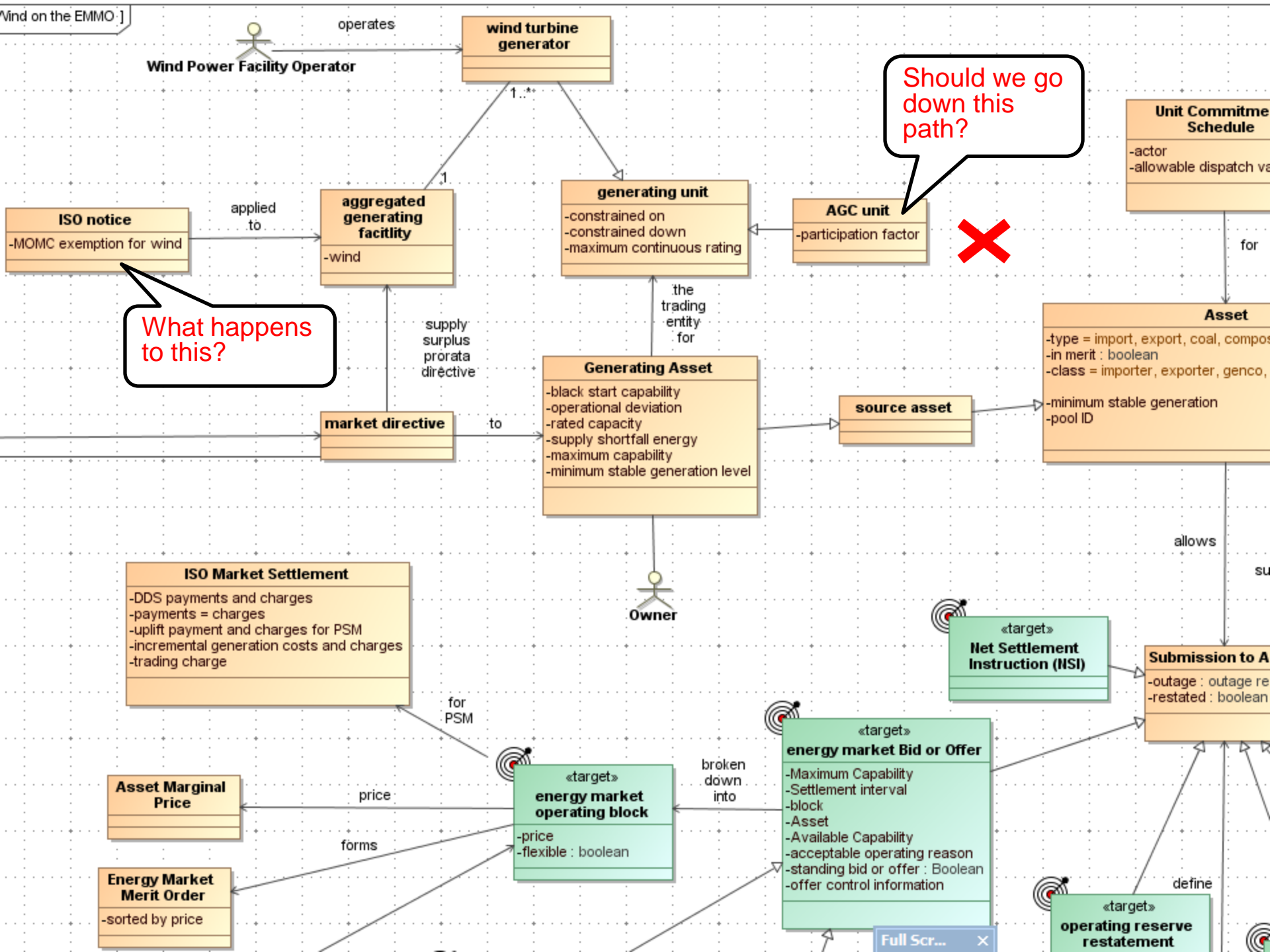


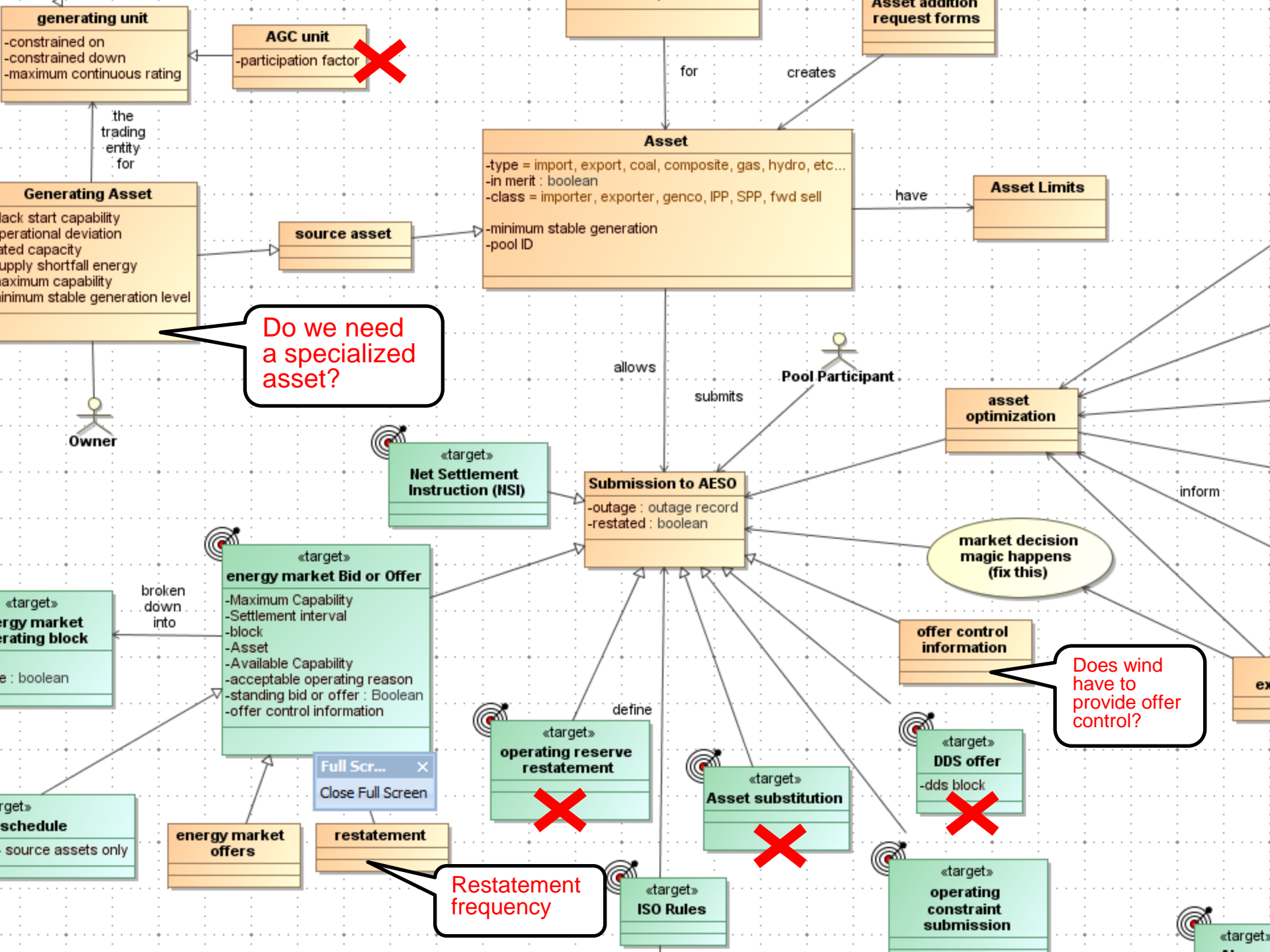
Case Study: Dispatchable Wind

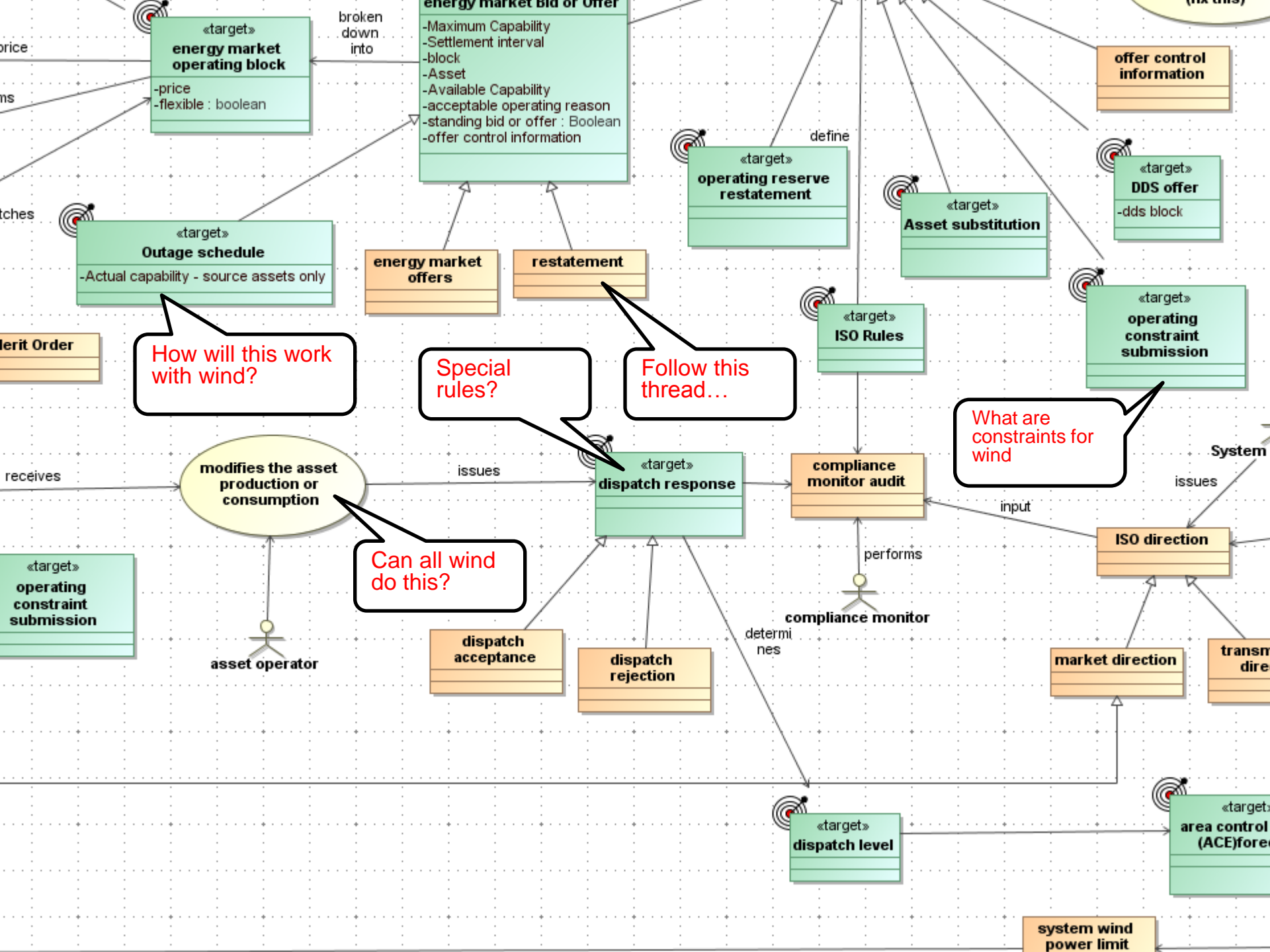
- Wind generation generates when the wind blows, not when we dispatch it
- Wind generation declared non-dispatchable and exceptions were made to deal with the poor fit compared to current fleet
- Market impact - when the wind blows the market price drops due to an inability to offer prices
- How can we allow the wind to participate?
 - Fair
 - Efficient
 - Openly competitive

Making Wind Dispatchable

- Pick an element of the current market – for example “dispatch instruction”
- Look at the inputs and outputs of “dispatch instruction”
- Follow the threads and see where they lead
- Assess impacts to each element
 - Where are your decision points?
 - What haven't you considered?
 - What needs to change?

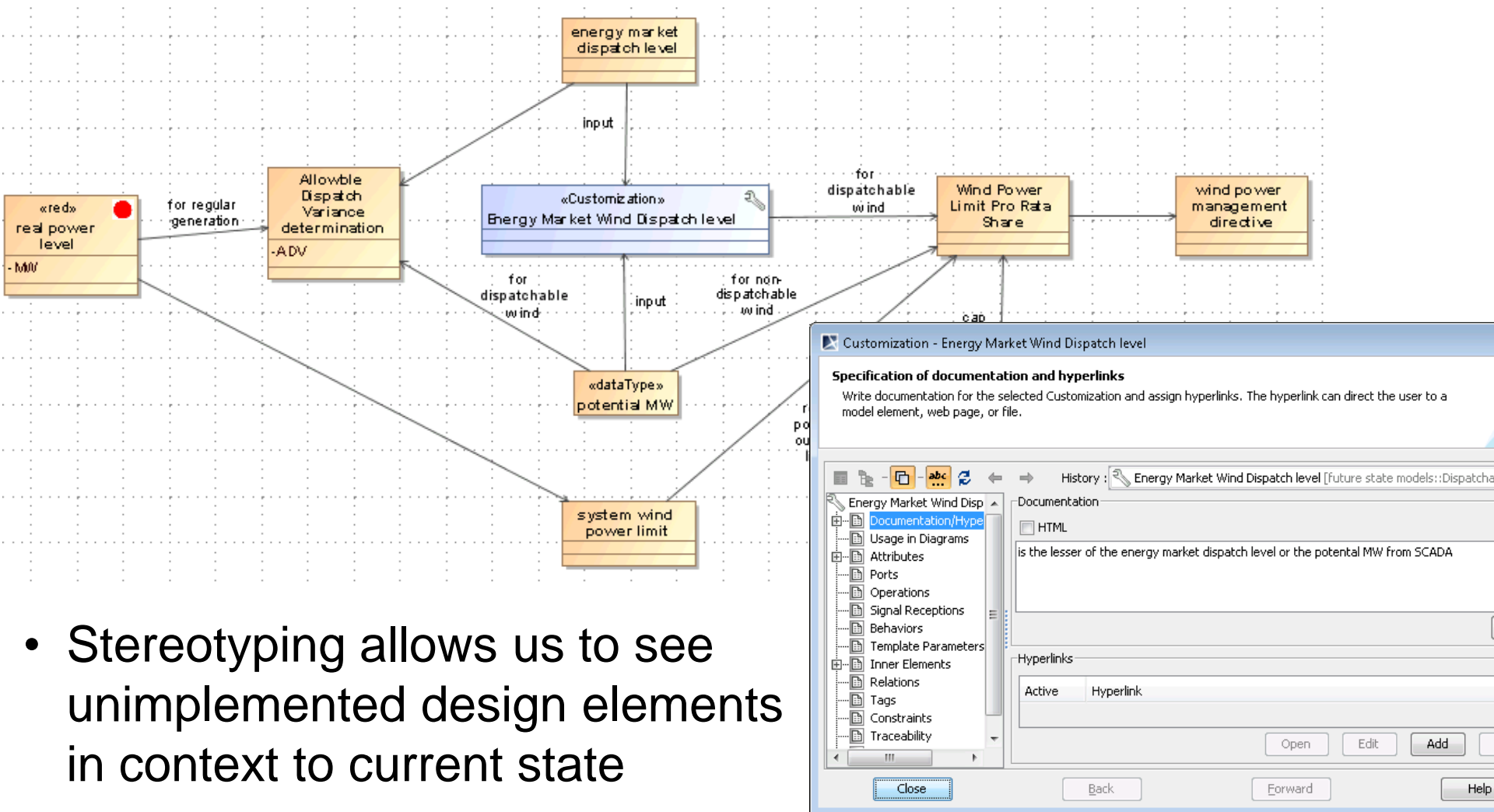






Model impacts of Initiatives identified via stereotyping

Solution to making wind dispatchable



- Stereotyping allows us to see unimplemented design elements in context to current state

Market design change impact assessment

1. Purpose

2. Introduction / Background

3. Impact Analysis

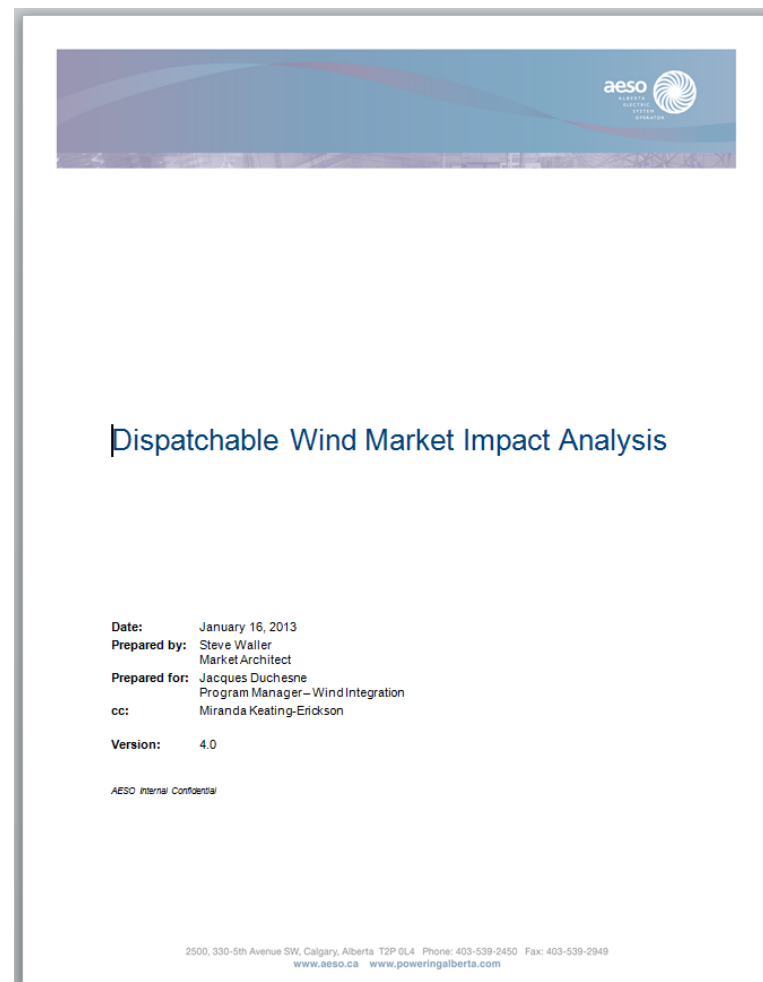
- 3.1. Applicability of MOMC for wind generation letter
- 3.2. Trading Assets for wind
- 3.3. Ancillary Services from wind generation
- 3.4. DDS Participation
- 3.5. Offer control submissions for Wind
- 3.6. Allowable Dispatch Variance (ADV)
- 3.7. Wind restatement frequency and Acceptable Operating Reasons
- 3.8. Alignment of real potential MW and Available Capability
- 3.9. Forecasting wind power – dispatch decision support
- 3.10. Forecasting wind power – Outage recording
- 3.11. Forecasting wind power – Short-term Adequacy Assessments
- 3.12. Forecasting wind power – Wind Power Management

4. Conclusions

5. Recommendations

6. Appendix

- 6.1. Market Model diagram
- 6.2. November 22, 2007 letter



- Can't say what we have done makes sense for your organization.
- Tailor your BA practice to meet the needs of your organization.
- Be clear of the objective and value.
 - advising on the corporate strategy, while sexy, is only one aspect of the value that Business Architecture brings
- Don't forget the tactical benefits.

Thank you