



ARPA-E GO COMPETITION CHALLENGE 2: MONARCH OF THE MOUNTAIN TIMELINE UPDATED 2021-11-22

A. Challenge 2: Monarch of the Mountain: October 12th, 2021 – October 31th, 2022

Challenge 2: Monarch of the Mountain (Ch2-MoM) will focus on finding best SCOPF solutions to the multiple unique, open-source datasets presented in the Challenge 2 Final Event. The Monarch of the Mountain dataset (C2MMD) will utilize the open-source datasets used as part of the GO Competition Challenge 2 Final Event which have all been publicly released and are available on the GO Competition website. These datasets will remain available on the GO Competition website throughout the Ch2-MoM competition. Additionally, at the end of Ch2-MoM, the highest scoring solution files for each scenario will be made available on the GO Competition website.

The Ch2-MoM competition will maintain separate “highest-score” leaderboards for each scenario. These leaderboards will be posted online on December 1st, 2021. There will be a quiet period for all Entrants to view the C2MMD dataset until the first submission window on January 3rd, 2022. The Ch2-MoM competition will end on October 31st, 2022 and prizes will then be awarded to the top teams subject to the eligibility requirements and criteria defined in the Official GO Competition Challenge 2: Monarch of the Mountain Rules Document (<https://gocompetition.energy.gov/challenges/Ch2-MoM/rules>). Entrants are allowed to continue to improve their solutions and make multiple submissions to each scenario over the course of the competition, but an Entrant may only submit a new solution to each scenario once per week. The competition will follow a set weekly schedule with a submission deadline and a leaderboard update time. Starting on January 3rd, 2022, the submission deadline will occur weekly on every Monday at 5:00 pm PT. Following this deadline every week, each Entrant’s submission will be evaluated and scored simultaneously, and the leaderboards will be updated each Wednesday at 9:00 am PT, to reflect any changes. In the event that a submission deadline falls on a federal holiday¹ (e.g., January 17th, 2022) the submission deadline will be the same time on the day following the holiday.

¹ As of the posting of this Timeline Document, the current list of Federal Holidays during the GO Ch2-MoM Competition are as follows: Friday December 24th, 2021; Friday December 31st, 2021; Monday January 17th, 2022; Monday February 21st, 2022; Monday May 30th, 2022; Monday June 20th, 2022; Monday July 4th, 2022; Monday September 5th, 2022; and Monday October 10th, 2022.

Registration is required to participate in the Monarch of the Mountain Event. Registration is available starting on November 1st, 2021 and will be open through October 3rd, 2022. All entrants registered for Challenge 2 may renew their registration for Ch2-MoM. New teams may register for Ch2-MoM even if they did not participate in Challenge 2. Check the GO Competition website for registration or renewal documents, and all associated rules and requirements. All registrations must be approved by ARPA-E.