

January 12, 2023

To: The Market Surveillance Administrator, Market Participants and Other Interested Parties  
("Stakeholders")

**Re: Invitation for February Stakeholder Consultation Session on Final Draft Amendments to ISO Rules and Definitions to Enable Energy Storage ("Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments")**

The Alberta Electric System Operator ("AESO") is providing notice regarding an upcoming Stakeholder consultation session on the Final Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments on **February 2, 2023**.

On November 22, 2022, the AESO posted final drafts of the Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments. The AESO acknowledged that further engagement and rule revisions may be required before finalizing the ISO rules for filing, especially in recognition of the proposed structural change involving the technical and operating requirements in Part 500 of the ISO rules. The AESO requested Stakeholders to indicate in their written feedback whether an additional session would be helpful.

Stakeholders that submitted comments to the AESO by the December 19, 2022 deadline unanimously supported an additional session.

The February 2, 2023 session will focus on outstanding questions and issues that Stakeholders had raised in their written comments. Based on its review of Stakeholders' comments to date, the AESO expects to use the additional time with Stakeholders to:

- Discuss the structural transition from Division 502 to Division 503 and respond to questions relating to the AESO's objectives and rationales for these changes;
- Discuss specific comments on proposed new Section 503.1, *Functional Specification and Legacy Treatment*;
- Explore specific technical questions raised by Stakeholders regarding the proposed new Division 503-series rules;
- Host an open-forum Q&A session to discuss matters in addition to the above (time permitting); and
- Confirm final steps of the Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments engagement process, in collaboration with Stakeholders.

The AESO will make available a more detailed agenda at least one week prior to the Stakeholder session.

## Stakeholder Session Details

The Stakeholder session will be a hybrid (in-person and virtual) session using Microsoft Teams.

If necessary, the AESO may use a physical whiteboard to illustrate and clarify various concepts relating to the Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments. The AESO encourages in-person attendance, given that technological limitations associated with virtual attendance may limit Stakeholder participation and the effectiveness of the whiteboard-facilitated discussions.

The registration information for the Stakeholder session is as follows:

**Date:** February 2, 2023

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Registration/RSVP:** You must pre-register to attend the Stakeholder session by clicking the secure link [here](#).

Please enter your first and last name, organization and email address. Please also indicate whether you will attend **in-person** or **virtually**.

The deadline for **in-person** registration is **January 19, 2023**.

**In-person option:** 240Fourth Conference Centre Room B  
Main Floor, 240 – 4 Avenue SW  
Calgary, AB T2P 4H4

**Virtual option:** Teams Webinar

The AESO is requesting that organizations that intend to send more than one representative prioritize their attendees. The AESO will ensure that at least one representative from each organization is able to attend in-person and will try to accommodate as many additional representatives in-person as possible. However, if space limitations arise, the AESO may require additional representatives to attend via webinar and will advise organizations accordingly.

## Additional Information about the Session

In accordance with its mandate to operate in the public interest, the AESO will be audio recording this Stakeholder session and making minutes of the session available to the general public at [www.aeso.ca](http://www.aeso.ca). The accessibility of the session is important to ensure openness and transparency and to facilitate the participation of Stakeholders. Participation in this session is completely voluntary and subject to the terms of this notice.

The collection of personal information by the AESO for this session will be used for the purpose of capturing Stakeholder input for the Energy Storage ISO Rule Amendments. This information is collected in accordance with Section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. If you have any questions or concerns regarding how your information will be handled, please contact the Director, Information and Governance Services, 2500, 330 – 5th Ave SW, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 0L4, by telephone at 403-539-2528, or by email at [privacy@aesoc.ca](mailto:privacy@aesoc.ca).

Sincerely,

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