

March 10, 2021

To: Market Participants and Other Interested Parties

Re: Alberta Electric System Operator Reply to Stakeholder Comments on Proposed New Alberta reliability standard PER-006-AB-1, *Specific Training for Personnel*

On December 7, 2020, the Alberta Electric System Operator (“AESO”) issued a consultation letter regarding the proposed new Alberta reliability standard PER-006-AB-1, *Specific Training for Personnel* (“new PER-006-AB-1”) and requested market participant and other interested parties’ (“Stakeholders”) comments on the same.

AESO Reply to Stakeholder Comments

On January 14, 2021, the AESO posted written comments received regarding proposed new PER-006-AB-1. The AESO’s replies to comments, including the rationale or basis for the AESO’s position that explains why certain positions were rejected or accepted, are set out in the attached *Stakeholder Comment and AESO Replies Matrix – New PER-006-AB-1*.

The AESO has made amendments to proposed new PER-006-AB-1 in response to comments received, which are reflected in the attached blackline.

The AESO has revised the applicability section so that proposed new PER-006-AB-1 is applicable at the bulk electric system level. Additionally, the AESO has incorporated the ability for the AESO to apply proposed new PER-006-AB-1 to non-bulk electric system generating units and aggregated generating facilities that it determines necessary for the reliable operation of the interconnected electric system. The process and requirements for updating the list of non-bulk electric system generating units and aggregated generating facilities is included in Appendix 1.

Additionally, the AESO is revising the proposed effective date of proposed new PER-006-AB-1 to 8 full calendar quarters after approval by the Commission to enable additional time for market participants to become compliant due to COVID-19 and the economic environment in Alberta.

Forwarding of the Final Proposed new PER-006-AB-1

Pursuant to Section 19 of the *Transmission Regulation*, the AESO expects to forward proposed new PER-006-AB-1 to the Alberta Utilities Commission (“Commission”) on or around March 25, 2021, with the AESO’s recommendation that the Commission approve proposed new PER-006-AB-1 as a reliability standard.

New PER-006-AB-1 is proposed to become effective the first day of the calendar quarter that follows 8 full calendar quarters after approval by the Commission.

Attachments to AESO Reply Letter

The following documents are attached:

1. [Stakeholder Comment and AESO Replies Matrix – New PER-006-AB-1](#); and
2. [Blackline](#) and [clean](#) copies of proposed new PER-006-AB-1.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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