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Attention: Andrew Davison  
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**Re: Alberta Utilities Commission (“Commission”) Decision 790-D03-2015; Alberta Electric System Operator (“AESO”) Implementation Plan to Develop a Revised Loss Factor Rule in Compliance With Decision 790-D03-2015 (“Implementation Plan”); Availability of the Topology Cases and Timing of the AESO Q3 Update**

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Commission and parties to Proceeding 790 of the availability of loss factor topology cases and of the expected filing date of the Q3 Update.

## **Availability of Loss Factor Topology Cases**

On July 15, 2016, the AESO filed its *Q2 2016 Update on Implementation Plan to Develop a Revised Loss Factor Rule in Compliance With Decision 790-D03-2015* (“Q2 Update”). The Q2 Update summarized the AESO’s progress on implementation activities and indicated that the AESO expected the monthly topology cases would be available near the end of August 2016.

The monthly topology cases were recently completed and are now available to stakeholders. The loss factor topology cases contain energy infrastructure information and, due to its security classification as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (“CEII”), the AESO’s consent is required to access the topology case data. To request consent, a stakeholder must complete a CEII request form and email it to PSM@aesocanada.com. The CEII request form and additional information is available on the AESO website at [www.aeso.ca](http://www.aeso.ca) by following the path Grid ► Base cases.

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**Timing of the AESO Q3 Update**

Section 2.3 of the AESO's Implementation Plan stated: "The AESO will file quarterly updates with the Commission on this Implementation Plan, which will report progress on the implementation activities described in section 2.1 above." In the February 23, 2016 *AESO Table of Response to Submissions on the Implementation Plan*, the AESO stated that it expects to file updates near the end of each calendar quarter, that is, near March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.

The AESO expects to file its third quarterly update within the first two weeks of October 2016.

Yours truly,

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