

Feb. 13, 2020

To: Stakeholders

Re: **Notice of Stakeholder Engagement Session on Bulk and Regional Tariff Design**

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) is providing notice regarding an upcoming stakeholder engagement session on the proposed Bulk and Regional Tariff Design.

The AESO would like to provide stakeholders with the venue and webinar information for the engagement session as follows:

Date: Mar. 13, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Location: The Westin Calgary, Britannia Room
320 4th Avenue S.W.
Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2S6
RSVP: Provide names and titles of all participants that will attend by 5:00 p.m. on Mar. 9, 2020 to tariffdesign@aeso.ca. Please specify if you will attend in person or by webinar.

Webinar Session

Please [click here](#) to register for the webinar by Mar. 9, 2020.

The AESO will be audio and video recording this session for the webinar. Video recording will be limited to shared screen presentation slides. Following the session, the AESO will make meeting minutes available to the general public at www.aeso.ca. The accessibility of these discussions is important to ensure the openness and transparency of this AESO process, 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 Bulk and Regional Tariff Design. 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 or by telephone at 403-539-2528.

Process

Since mid-2018 the AESO has engaged with stakeholders through the Transmission Design Advisory Group (TDAG) on potential revisions to the currently approved 12-coincident peak (12 CP) methodology for the recovery of bulk and regional transmission costs. In January 2020, the AESO finalized and posted its *Stakeholder Engagement Framework* (Framework) on the AESO's website. In alignment with the Framework and in response to feedback that the AESO has received from the TDAG, the AESO is now transitioning the prior members-only TDAG engagement to broad industry stakeholder engagement. The

TDAG members have been notified of this change. In addition, the Transmission Tariff Working Group (TTWG) associated with TDAG has also been disbanded as of January 2020.

On Jan. 31, 2020, the AESO advised the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) in its 2018 ISO tariff compliance filing and 2020 rates update application¹ that the AESO intends to address the 12 CP methodology by way of a tariff application to be filed by Sept. 30, 2020.

The AESO is commencing this broad industry stakeholder engagement with this notice to stakeholders.

Following is a high-level overview of the AESO’s proposed engagement process:

Session 1 <i>Mar. 13, 2020</i>	Session 2 <i>April 2020</i>	Session 3 <i>May 2020</i>	Session 4 <i>September 2020</i>
Session objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AESO to present rate design options for bulk and regional cost recovery with rate objectives assessment • Provide rate design analysis tools • Review, respond to clarifying questions and collect initial input on options 	Session objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarize feedback from Session 1 • Stakeholders to present their own rate design options with rate objectives assessment • Discuss options 	Session objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AESO to present final recommended rate design • Rate design analysis tools and bill impact 	Session objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of summary of upcoming application • Stakeholders to be informed of rate design, impact and analysis

Note: Session dates once finalized will be shared with stakeholders. Additionally, stakeholders will have opportunities to provide written feedback through comment matrices issued at certain points in the process.

Purpose of This Session

The purpose of this session is to:

- Present work that has been completed-to date including Rate Design Objectives along with the AESO’s analysis;
- Provide AESO rate design options to stakeholders with Rate Design Objectives analysis; and
- Respond to questions and gather initial feedback from stakeholders on work-to-date including rate design options, Rate Design Objectives analysis, impact and issues.

Materials and Agenda

A draft of the proposed Agenda for the engagement session is available [here](#) and on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca. We invite stakeholders to provide feedback to the AESO on the questions set out in the [Stakeholder Comment Matrix](#) on or before **Feb. 25, 2020**. Comments should be submitted to

¹ AUC Proceeding 25175, Exhibit 25175-X0002.

tariffdesign@aeso.ca. The AESO will consider and endeavor to accommodate these requests where possible. The agenda is subject to change upon the AESO's review of stakeholder comments.

Sincerely,

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