

August 13, 2021

To Market Participants and Other Interested Parties

Dear Stakeholder:

Re: Corrected Loss Factors and True-Up Adjustments for 2009 Under Module C of Alberta Utilities Commission ("Commission") Proceeding 790, Complaints Regarding the ISO Transmission Loss Factor Rule and Loss Factor Methodology

In an update on June 28, 2021 on loss factor activities under Module C, the AESO advised stakeholders it was in the process of recalculating the Module C loss factors for all years from 2006 to 2016 to reflect the correction of errors in system topologies. The AESO is implementing the corrections from 2006 forward to 2016 and will publish the corrected loss factors and resulting adjustments for each year as they become available. The AESO will then financially settle the adjustments in conjunction with the "true-up" settlement process described in the Module C Settlement Procedure document posted on the AESO website. Cash settlement is expected to occur in December 2021.

The AESO has now implemented the system topology corrections for 2009, recalculated and published the loss factors for 2009, and estimated and published the resulting adjustments, as follows:

- The corrected 2009 loss factors and workbook showing calculations for 2009 loss factors are available on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca ▶ Grid ▶ Grid-Related Initiatives ▶ Loss factors ▶ Loss factors recalculation for 2006-2016 ▶ 2009 recalculated loss factors.
- Access to the corrected 2009 system topologies can be requested through the process for which a link is provided on the same page. Stakeholders who previously received access to the system topologies will automatically be provided access to the corrected system topologies.
- There have been no changes to other information used for the recalculated loss factors for 2009.
- The estimated Module C true-up adjustments for 2009 are available on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca ▶ Grid ▶ Grid-Related Initiatives ▶ Loss factors ▶ Loss factors recalculation for 2006-2016 ► Module C Adjustment Charges and Refunds.

Table 1 lists the significant system topology corrections that were implemented for 2009. As well, minor corrections for 2009 were implemented in the following planning areas:

- South Region: Area 48 Empress; Area 53 Fort Macleod
- Calgary Region: Area 6 Calgary
- Central Region: Area 36 Alliance/Battle River; Area 37 Provost
- Edmonton Region: Area 60 Edmonton; Area 40 Wabamun
- Northwest Region: Area 20 Grande Prairie; Area 23 Valleyview

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Table 1 – Significant System Topology Corrections Implemented for 2009 Module C Loss Factor Calculations

| Planning Area                  | Description of Error                   | Affected Facilities                     | Affected Months     |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|
| South Region                   |  |   |                     |
| Area 53 – Fort Macleod         | Incorrect line characteristics         | 725L line, Fort Macleod –<br>Coalbanks  | Jan 2009 – Oct 2011 |
| Central Region                 |  |   |                     |
| Area 28 – Cold Lake            | Incorrect line characteristics         | 7L66L line, Leming Lake –<br>Ethel Lake | Jul-Oct 2009        |
| Northeast Region               |  |   |                     |
| Area 33 – Fort<br>Saskatchewan | Inclusion of facilities not in service | 943L line, Heartland –<br>Deerland      | Mar 2008 – May 2010 |
| Area 33 – Fort<br>Saskatchewan | Incorrect line characteristics         | 708L line, Lamoureux –<br>Beamer        | Mar 2009 – Apr 2010 |
| Northwest Region               |  |   |                     |
| Area 21 – High Prairie         | Inclusion of facilities not in service | 7L23 line, Mitsue –<br>Narrows Creek    | Aug 2009 – May 2010 |

System topologies reflecting the corrections summarized above have been used to determine corrected Module C loss factors for 2009. If settled on their own, adjustments from the corrected loss factors would total approximately \$0.6 million of charges and \$0.3 million of refunds for 2009. As discussed in the AESO's June 28 update, the amounts are significantly less that the initial Module C adjustments settled in May 2021, which comprised \$34.8 million of charges and \$35.0 million of refunds for 2009.

As mentioned above, adjustments from the corrected loss factors will be settled as part of the Module C true-up process described in the *Module C Settlement Procedure* document. The true-up settlement is expected to include the recovery of approximately \$0.2 million of Module C charges for 2009 that the AESO has to date been unable to collect from dissolved corporations. Any Module C charges for 2009 that remain uncollected after the AESO has exhausted all reasonable means of collection will be recovered through Rider E in the true-up adjustments for 2009, respectively, in accordance with Commission directions in Module C.

The total true-up adjustments estimated for 2009 comprise approximately \$0.6 million of charges and \$0.3 million of refunds. These amounts include adjustments from the corrected loss factors, adjustments to recover the expected uncollectible charges for each year, and interest to the expected date of cash settlement in December 2021. Any imbalances for 2009 that remain after the true-up settlement process will be addressed by way of Rider E on a going forward basis, as described in the *Module C Settlement Procedure* document. The AESO updated the *Module C Settlement Procedure* document on August 6, 2021, to include additional information on the true-up settlement process, including the schedule for expected settlement activities.

The AESO will continue to publish the corrected loss factors and associated adjustments for each remaining Module C year as the corrections and adjustments for each year become available.



Stakeholders can access Module C data, results, and related information on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca ▶ Grid ▶ Grid-Related Initiatives ▶ Loss factors ▶ Loss factors recalculation for 2006 2016. Module C stakeholder updates and related information, including technical meeting presentations, are available at www.aeso.ca ▶ Grid ▶ Grid-Related Initiatives ▶ Loss factors ▶ Stakeholder engagement.

The AESO will provide further stakeholder updates when additional information becomes available. In the meantime, stakeholders may contact Milton Castro-Núñez at milton.castro-nunez@aeso.ca or John Martin at john.martin@aeso.ca with any concerns or questions.

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