

April 16, 2008

To: Interested Parties
AESO Deferral Account Application

Dear Sir/Madam:

**Re: Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO)
Deferral Account Reconciliation
Application 1548908**

The Commission received correspondence from the AESO, dated March 18, 2008, in which the AESO proposed to hold application 1548908 (the Application) in abeyance pending the filing in May, 2008 of a revised deferral account application that would also extend to the 2006 and 2007 years. The AESO submitted that an extended application would result in accurate reconciliation and allocation of all existing deferral account amounts to customers. The AESO suggested that the information responses already filed, as well as all other submissions to date, remain as part of the record for an extended application proceeding. At the same time, the AESO acknowledged that the process for the extended application should allow additional participants to register, as the inclusion of additional years and additional amounts in the application may affect parties who were not affected by the Application.

On March 20, 2008 the Commission issued correspondence seeking the views of the parties.

The Commission has reviewed the comments of the parties and notes that they are supportive of the AESO proposal. The Commission also considers the AESO proposal to be reasonable. Therefore, the Commission will hold the Application in abeyance pending the filing of a revised application, by no later than **Monday, June 2, 2008**. To facilitate the parties' and the Commission's review, the Commission considers it appropriate that the revised application include a blackline showing all changes made to the Application, along with a table of concordance or blackline of the IR responses to make clear what page references or other changes are required in order for the AESO's IR responses to be carried through to the revised application. Following receipt of the revised application, the Commission will issue notice of that application. Prior to ordering immediate financial settlement arising from a revised application, however, the Commission must be satisfied that the amounts are accurate and that such an order is in the public interest.

Should you have any questions please contact Jamie Cameron at (403) 592-4420 or by email at Jamie.cameron@auc.ab.ca

Thank you for your co-operation.

Sincerely yours,

(sent by email)

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