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AESO 2010 Tariff Consultation Working Groups Participants  
AESO Stakeholders

Dear Stakeholder:

**Re: First Round Participant List for AESO 2010 Tariff Consultation Working Groups**

On April 22, 2009, the AESO posted an invitation for stakeholders to participate on working groups in consultation for its 2010 tariff application, including draft terms of reference and a form for comments on both the terms of reference and the consultation process.

As explained in the invitation, a two-round signup process will be used to establish participation on the working groups. In the first round, stakeholders indicated their interest in participating on the working groups as listed below. Seventeen stakeholders have indicated interest in participating, to date:

- Alberta Direct Connect Consumers Association (“ADC”),
- AltaLink Management Ltd. (“AltaLink”),
- ATCO Electric,
- ATCO Power,
- BC Hydro,
- Dual Use Customers (“DUC”),
- ENMAX,
- EPCOR,
- FortisAlberta Inc. (“FortisAlberta”),
- Harvest Operations Corp. (“Harvest”),
- Industrial Power Consumers Association of Alberta (“IPCAA”),
- NaturEner,
- NorthPoint Energy Solutions (“NorthPoint”, a subsidiary of SaskPower),
- Powerex Corp. (“Powerex”, a subsidiary of BC Hydro),
- StatoilHydro Canada Ltd. (“StatoilHydro”),
- TransCanada, and
- Utilities Consumer Advocate (“UCA”).

For the second round, stakeholders should review the initial participation list and consider whether to participate on additional working groups or to request removal from one or more working groups, to balance their participation among the groups and to avoid unnecessary duplication of interests. Given the large amount of interest in some working groups, the AESO will also work with participants to reduce working group size to the suggested maximum of four to six members while ensuring diversity and balanced representation on the groups. Changes to

working group participation should be requested either by sending a revised participation form or a list of changes by **Tuesday, May 5, 2009**, to April Walters at [april.walters@aeso.ca](mailto:april.walters@aeso.ca).

Some stakeholders have advised the AESO they were unable to confirm their participation by the first round response deadline. In such cases, stakeholders are encouraged to indicate their interest in participating on the working groups as part of the second round.

A final participant list will be posted by the AESO on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, and will also be distributed by email to participants.

## **1 Working Groups on Which Stakeholders Are Interested in Participating**

### **(a) POD Cost Function and Investment Level Update**

- AltaLink: Dean Fischbach
- ATCO Electric: Ken Koenig
- DUC: Dale Hildebrand
- ENMAX: Andy Morgans
- IPCAA: Sheldon Fulton
- TransCanada: Vince Kostas
- UCA: Ed de Palezieux

### **(b) TFO O&M Cost Causation Study**

- AltaLink: James Yeo
- ENMAX: Penny Haldane
- EPCOR: Stan Yee
- StatoilHydro: Brian Blattler
- UCA: Rick Cowburn

### **(c) DTS Operating Reserve Charge Design**

- ADC: Colette Kearn
- AltaLink: Hao Liu
- ENMAX: Randy Stubbings
- IPCAA: Vittoria Bellissimo
- TransCanada: Vince Kostas
- UCA: Rick Cowburn

### **(d) Fort Nelson Rate FTS**

- AltaLink: Hao Liu
- BC Hydro: John Rich, Yvette Maiangowi, Fred James, Lewis Manning
- Harvest: Dale Hildebrand
- IPCAA: Sheldon Fulton
- Powerex: Lisa Cherkas
- UCA: Ed de Palezieux

### **(e) Export and Import Rates XTS and ITS**

- AltaLink: Hao Liu
- ATCO Power: Kim Johnston
- ENMAX: Randy Stubbings
- IPCAA: Vittoria Bellissimo

- NaturEner: Juliane Kniebel-Huebner
  - NorthPoint: Dennis Slade
  - Powerex: Lisa Cherkas
  - TransCanada: Dan Levson
  - UCA: Rick Cowburn
- (f) **Deferral Account Riders B and C**
- ADC: Colette Kearl
  - ATCO Electric: Nick Palladino
  - EPCOR: Stan Yee
  - FortisAlberta: Monica Huynh
  - IPCAA: Vittoria Bellissimo
  - UCA: Rick Cowburn
- (g) **Tariff Changes Related to Transition of Authoritative Documents (TOAD)**
- AltaLink: Cayla Saby
  - ATCO Power: Kim Johnston
  - ENMAX: Penny Haldane
  - EPCOR: Lynn Meyer
  - TransCanada: Chris Best
  - UCA: Rick Cowburn
- (h) **Amortized Customer Contribution Option and Other Contribution Provisions**
- AltaLink: Tony Demassi
  - ATCO Electric: Mike Gillis
  - DUC: Dale Hildebrand
  - ENMAX: Andy Morgans
  - FortisAlberta: John Holmes
  - IPCAA: Vittoria Bellissimo
  - NaturEner: Will Ingenthron
  - StatoilHydro: Brian Blattler
  - TransCanada: Dan Levson
  - UCA: Ed de Palezieux
- (i) **Tariff Provisions Related to Customer-Owned Substations**
- ATCO Electric: David Leew
  - DUC: Dale Hildebrand
  - ENMAX: Andy Morgans
  - IPCAA: Sheldon Fulton
  - StatoilHydro: Brian Blattler
  - TransCanada: Dan Levson
  - UCA: Ed de Palezieux

The AESO is currently scheduling initial meetings for the working groups. The meeting schedule will be posted on the AESO's website and distributed to working group participants within a few days.

The AESO has also attached to this letter its responses to comments provided by participants on the draft terms of reference for the 2010 Tariff Consultation Working Groups and on the

consultation process. Stakeholders are invited to provide additional comments as part of this second round stage using the original Stakeholder Signup and Comment Form.

The Stakeholder Signup and Comment Form and other information related to the AESO's 2010 tariff consultation is available on the AESO's website at [www.aeso.ca](http://www.aeso.ca) by following the path Tariff ► Current Consultation ► 2010 Tariff. The AESO appreciates stakeholders' participation in this consultation.

If you have any comments or questions on this consultation process or the AESO's tariff application, please contact me at 403-539-2465 or [john.martin@aeso.ca](mailto:john.martin@aeso.ca), or Raj Sharma at 403-539-2632 or [raj.sharma@aeso.ca](mailto:raj.sharma@aeso.ca).

Sincerely,

*[original signed by]*

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attachment

cc: Heidi Kirrmaier, Vice-President, Regulatory, AESO  
Raj Sharma, Senior Tariff Analyst, AESO  
April Walters, Executive Assistant, AESO

**AESO 2010 Tariff Consultation Working Groups  
April 22, 2009 Invitation — Stakeholder Comments and AESO Responses**

Stakeholder Comment	AESO Response
<b>2 Comments on Draft Working Groups Terms of Reference</b>	
<b>IPCAA</b> It is assumed that Working Groups will further scope out their Terms of Reference once formed.	Yes, the AESO expects Working Groups will develop and revise the Terms of Reference, where appropriate. In particular, as noted in section 2 of the draft Terms of Reference, Working Groups are expected to determine what issues they will examine.
<b>NorthPoint</b> Timelines are adequate so as not to drag out the process too long. Meetings every 2 weeks might get to be onerous due to the travel involved. Is it possible to attend meetings via a conference call?	Yes, as noted in section 5(a) of the draft Terms of Reference, Working Group members may participate in meetings via conference call.
<b>3 Comments on Proposed Working Group Consultation Process</b>	
<b>IPCAA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is vital that any documentation prepared by, or available to the Working Group members is also made available to other AESO stakeholders;</li> <li>• If no formal minutes are to be taken, Working Groups should release recommendations papers (or issues papers if no recommendations can be reached) upon concluding the consultation sessions.</li> </ul>	The AESO intends to post on its website all written documentation available to or prepared by the Working Groups. It may not be practical for Working Groups to prepare and release recommendation or issue papers. However, the AESO expects to include Working Group recommendations and issues are expected in discussion papers prepared by the AESO.
<b>NorthPoint</b> Seems like a good way to get a group of stakeholders to focus on a few particular topics in the tariff instead of general requests for comments on the entire application.	
<b>Additional Comments</b>	
<b>NorthPoint</b> Although I am not an expert on this topic, I have been following what the AESO has been doing in regards to this topic with past tariff applications and am familiar with what the practice is in other jurisdictions.	
<b>UCA</b> Initial proposal for participation from the UCA.	