



June 30, 2005

Alberta Energy & Utilities Board
Utilities Branch
640 – 5th Avenue S.W.
Calgary, Alberta T2P 3G4

Attention: Mr. R. D. Heggie

Dear Mr. Heggie:

Re: 20-Year Outlook Document (2005 – 2024)

On behalf of the AESO I am pleased to submit this 20-Year Outlook Document (2005 – 2024) to the Board.

The AESO has prepared this Outlook to provide market participants, customers and interested stakeholders with the overall direction regarding Alberta's transmission system development (500 kV and major 240 kV lines only) during the next 20 years. The Outlook is intended to create a foundation for future transmission system development for the industry and is filed with the Board for information and use in assessing future transmission project need applications.

The AESO will use this Outlook to provide context and direction for its more detailed 10-Year Transmission System Plans and subsequent transmission project need applications. As the AESO has previously indicated, it intends to update the 10-Year Plan by year-end 2005. At a minimum, we will review and update the 20-Year Outlook Document every four years as part of our transmission planning process.

The 20-Year Outlook Document (2005 – 2024) will also be made available on the AESO's website on June 30, 2005 and printed copies will be available from the AESO after July 11, 2005.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact me directly at (403) 539-2533 or via email at neil.brausen@aeso.ca.

Yours truly,

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