



August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

To: Market Participants

**Re: Energy Management System (“EMS”) Request for Testing**

The AESO advised participants on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, that testing of generator telemetry would be required with the new EMS, which is scheduled to be commissioned in Q4, 2009. The AESO also advised that additional testing would be scheduled for September. Please refer to the latest communication issued to participants on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

[http://www.aeso.ca/downloads/AREVA\\_Communication\\_Notice\\_July09.pdf](http://www.aeso.ca/downloads/AREVA_Communication_Notice_July09.pdf)

Additional testing has been scheduled to begin September 8<sup>th</sup> and will continue throughout the month of September. This will be a more detailed Automatic Generator Control (AGC) test with expected duration of 2 to 4 hours, to ensure the generators response to the AESO AGC signal is correct. Every attempt will be made to schedule these checks while your asset is providing Regulating Reserves to the market.

Additional information will be provided to participants the first week of September.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the testing requirements or scheduling of the tests, please contact Robb Lindner (ph 403 705 5238). If you have any market related questions or require additional information, please contact Mary-Beth Hansen (ph 403 539 2599).

The AESO appreciates your support and willingness to assist during this critical time of testing the new EMS system.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

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