

# Shan Bhattacharya

## Vice-President, Transmission



Shan Bhattacharya was appointed Vice-President, Transmission for the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) in December 2009.

Mr. Bhattacharya is a senior utility and engineering executive with an extensive background in engineering, construction and operation of power plants (nuclear, fossil fuel and hydro) and major transmission and distribution systems.

Prior to joining the AESO, Mr. Bhattacharya was with U.S. engineering and environmental consulting company firm TRC (San Francisco, California) as principal consultant. His background also includes 20 years at Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) based in San Francisco, in transmission and distribution asset management, engineering and planning, power generation and fuel procurement. Prior to PG&E, Mr. Bhattacharya spent over 10 years with Bechtel Power Corporation as a senior engineer supporting construction of nuclear plants throughout North America.

Mr. Bhattacharya holds a Bachelor of Technology (Honours) from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, India; a Masters of Science Civil Engineering from Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; and an MBA from the University of California, Berkeley. He also completed the Program for Management Development at the Harvard Business School.

*As an independent system operator, the AESO leads the safe, reliable and economic planning and operation of Alberta's interconnected power system. The AESO also facilitates Alberta's fair, efficient and openly competitive wholesale electricity market, which in 2010 had about 175 participants and approximately \$5 billion in annual energy transactions.*

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