



July 27, 2010

Dear Stakeholder:

Re: AESO Needs Identification Document Posting Date

As a part of our commitment to continuous improvement to our communication and business practices, the AESO has modified the date its Needs Identification Document (NID) will be posted on the AESO website.

We are committed to offering all stakeholders opportunities for input into transmission planning. The AESO completes a Participant Involvement Program (PIP), as required by Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) Rule 007, throughout the development of a Needs Identification Document (NID). During the process, the AESO notifies stakeholders of the need for transmission development through various communication vehicles such as Need Overview mail-outs and in some instances, open houses. The AESO also advertises the intention to file a NID in local newspapers in and near the transmission study area.

Previously, the AESO posted its completed NID application on the AESO website 14 days prior to filing the NID with the AUC. In an effort to improve our practices, the AESO will continue to advertise the filing of NIDS in local newspapers 14 days prior to filing the NIDs with the AUC. However, will now post the completed NID to the AESO website on the same day as it is filed with the AUC.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this modification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 403-539-2578 or via email at jennifer.hocking@aeso.ca.

Yours truly,

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