

**Rationale for Proposed New Interpretation Section to Alberta Reliability Standards**

<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Reason for Difference</b>
<p><b>Alberta Reliability Standards - Interpretation</b></p>	
<p><b>1. Applicability</b>            (1) The <i>reliability standards</i> are binding on the <i>ISO</i> and <i>market participants</i>.</p> <p><b>2. Requirements</b>            (1) Interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) nothing in the <i>reliability standards</i> in any way restricts or limits the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the <i>ISO</i> as set out the <i>Act</i>.</li> <li>(a) tables of contents, section headers, and the use of underlining, bolding and italicizing are not a part of the interpretation of the <i>reliability standards</i> and are inserted for convenience of reference only;</li> <li>(b) words in the singular include the plural and words in the plural include the singular;</li> <li>(c) words importing male persons include female persons, words importing female persons include male persons, and words importing either sex include corporations;</li> <li>(d) the provisions of the <i>reliability standards</i> are to be construed as always speaking and applied to circumstances as they arise;</li> <li>(e) “may” is to be construed as permissive and empowering, and “must”, “shall” and “will” are to be construed as imperative;</li> <li>(f) all references to a time of day in the <i>reliability standards</i> mean mountain standard or mountain daylight time in the Province of Alberta, whichever is in effect on the day in question;</li> <li>(g) words and phrases in italicized type have the meanings given to them in the definitions found in the “<i>Alberta Reliability Standards Glossary of Terms</i>”;</li> <li>(h) any schedule, table or appendix attached to a <i>reliability standard</i> forms a part of the <i>reliability standard</i> and are to be interpreted accordingly; and</li> </ul>	<p>The AESO is proposing to create an Interpretation Section for the Alberta Reliability Standards. This Interpretation Section will have language common to the Interpretation Sections used in the ISO rules and ISO Tariff.</p>

(i) titles of documents are in italics.

(2) Exclusive Jurisdiction

(a) Any ISO or market participant dispute concerning the application, interpretation or enforceability of any *reliability standard* is within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission or Courts of the Province of Alberta, as applicable, and any related legal proceedings must be commenced, heard and adjudicated within the applicable Alberta forum.