



June 3, 2008

To Stakeholders and Interested Parties:

Re: Wind Power Forecasting Pilot Project Final Workshop and Webcast

In anticipation of the role wind power forecasting would play in large-scale wind power development, the AESO, in conjunction with the Alberta Department of Energy, the Alberta Energy Research Institute, and an Industry Work Group, initiated a wind power forecasting pilot project in the summer of 2006. The project consisted of evaluating three different forecasting methods at twelve wind power facilities over the course of a year to learn about the capabilities and techniques of wind power forecasting and to determine suitable methods and approaches for wind power forecasting in Alberta.

The pilot project began on May 1, 2007 and ended on May 1, 2008. The Industry Work Group is examining the results from the project and developing a recommendation on how to move forward with forecasting wind power in Alberta. The AESO invites you to a stakeholder workshop where the forecasters (AWS Truewind, Energy & Meteo Systems, and WEPROG), the quantitative analysis team at ORTECH Power, the data collection team at Genivar (formally Phoenix Engineering), and the Industry Work Group will present their experiences, results and findings from the project.

The stakeholder workshop will take place on June 12<sup>th</sup> in Calgary at the Metropolitan Center (333 - 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW) from 9am to 12pm. Please RSVP to Stakeholder Relations ([stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca](mailto:stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca)) by June 10<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend the session.

If you are unable to attend in person, you are encouraged to attend via a free public Webcast that will be made available both live on June 12<sup>th</sup> and archived for viewing after the event. The Webcast will be available at 9am on June 12<sup>th</sup> and pre-registration is required. Please [click here](#) to register for the Webcast.

For background information, you are encouraged to review the reports and analysis that have been posted throughout the project. Please visit the AESO website and follow the path Grid Operations > Wind Power > Wind Power Studies.

Yours Truly,

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