

# Development of Proposed New Waivers and Variances ISO Rule

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# Fire safety: AESO building evacuation procedures



### **Calgary Place**

#### **Slow alarm:**

- Stand by
- Listen to announcements

#### Fast alarm:

 Evacuate to muster point

#### Muster point:

 Courtyard at 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Place

#### **BP Centre**

#### Slow alarm:

- Stand by
- Listen to announcements

#### Fast alarm:

 Evacuate to muster point

#### Muster point South:

 Courtyard at 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Place

#### Muster point West:

 Courtyard by Chinese Cultural Center

#### SCC

#### When alarm sounds:

- Proceed to Guard House
- Wait for further instruction (From your fire captain or fire department)



## Webinar Tips



- One speaker at a time avoid side discussions
- Speak clearly and use the microphone
- Webinar attendees please submit questions or comments using the question button
- Presentation approach present each section followed by a discussion

## Agenda



Time	Item
9:00 – 9:45	Consultation overview and proposed scope of waivers and variances rule
9:45 – 10:30	Grounds for applying and criteria for approval of waivers and variances
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 11:30	Waiver and variance submission information, process considerations and content
11:30 – 12:00	Wrap up and next steps

### **Consultation Process**



- Consultation will be completed in accordance with AUC Rule 017 Procedures and Process for Development of ISO Rules and Filing of ISO Rules with the Alberta Utilities Commission (Rule 017)
- √ Form a consultation group
- Collect feedback on the need for a rule, rule content and appropriate next steps for rule development
- AESO determines whether there is a need to develop a rule
- Rule language drafted
- Written comment process
- Application to the AUC

### **Expectations of Participants**



- Actively participate this is your session to provide feedback
- Your positions aren't binding, but provide your input in good faith so we can work together to address the issues
- Engage in respectful and meaningful dialogue

### Meeting Minutes



- Session is recorded and will be used to assist in preparation of meeting minutes
- Meeting minutes will be circulated for review and ultimately posted to AESO.CA
- Company names will be incorporated where applicable

## **Questions or Comments**





## Proposed Scope for Rule Applicability



### **Division 502 – Technical Requirements**

- Section 502.1 Wind Aggregated Generating Facilities Technical Requirements
- Section 502.2 Bulk Transmission Technical Requirements
- Section 502.3 Interconnected Electric System Protection Requirements
- Section 502.4 Automated Dispatch and Messaging System and Voice Communication System Requirements
- Section 502.5 Generating Unit Technical Requirements
- Section 502.6 Generating Unit Operating Requirements

## Proposed Scope for Rule Applicability



### **Division 502 – Technical Requirements**

- Section 502.8 SCADA Technical and Operating Requirements
- Section 502.9 Synchrophasor Measurement Unit Technical Requirements
- Section 502.13 Battery Energy Storage Facility Technical Requirements
- Section 502.14 Battery Energy Storage Facility Operating Requirements
- Section 502.15 Reporting Facility Modelling Data
- Section 502.16 Aggregated Generating Facilities Operating Requirements

## Proposed Scope for Rule Applicability



## Include proposed new Division 502 rules as approved, for example:

- Section 502.7 Load Facility Technical Requirements
- Section 502.10 Revenue Metering Technical Requirements
- Section 502.11 Substation Technical and Operating Requirements
- Section 502.17 *Voice Communication System Requirements*

### Include technical requirements of:

- Section 304.3, Wind and Solar Power Ramp Up Management
- Section 304.9, Wind and Solar Aggregated Generating Facility Forecasting

### Scope Rationale



- Over 90% of waiver and variance requests for ISO rules pertain to these technical requirements
  - AESO has concrete experience with requests to leverage in creating a new rule
- Manageable scope of consultation material
  - Similar considerations for technical matters
  - Limited number of issues to consider
- Timely Consultation and Implementation if rule is developed

# Feedback on Scope of Proposed Waivers and Variances Rule?





# Examples of Grounds for Applying for a Waiver or Variance



- General Model
  - grounds must not be frivolous or of little merit
- Detailed Model
  - Compliance with the requirement:
  - is not technically possible or is precluded by technical limitations
  - is operationally infeasible or could adversely affect reliability of the Alberta interconnected electric system to an extent that outweighs the reliability benefits
  - while technically possible and operationally feasible, cannot be achieved by the required compliance date

# Examples of Grounds for Applying for a Waiver or Variance



### Compliance with the requirement (cont.):

- would pose safety risks or issues that outweigh the reliability benefits of compliance with the requirement
- would conflict with a separate statutory or regulatory requirement that is applicable and cannot be waived or exempt
- would require the incurrence of costs that far exceed the benefits to the reliability of the Alberta interconnected electric system

# Examples of Waiver and Variance Approval Criteria



- Technical, economic, safety, operational and reliability requirements of the interconnected electric system
- Material impacts on the: fair, efficient and openly competitive operation of the electricity market
- No detrimental effect on system reliability; and requirements would create severe hardship or unnecessary costs to an existing market participant

# Examples of Waiver and Variance Approval Criteria



- Appropriate mitigation measures available to recover from any impacts to the reliability of the system
- A mitigation plan that achieves a level of reliability of the interconnected electric system comparable to or higher than compliance with the requirement
- Satisfactory remediation plan to achieve compliance

# Feedback on Grounds for Applying for and Criteria for Approving a Waiver or Variance?





# Examples of Information Required in a Waiver or Variance Request



- Confidentiality of the request
- Proposed effective dates with rationale
- Reasons for requesting a waiver or variance
- Impacts on fair, efficient and openly competitive operation of the electricity market

# Examples of Information Required in a Waiver or Variance Request



- Impacts on the interconnected electric system
- Cost impacts if a waiver or variance is approved or denied
- Description of the facility
- Documented mitigation plan
- Documented remediation plan

### **Process Considerations**



- Submission of a Request to the AESO with required information
- Need for confidential processes and security of records
- Need for additional information (IR process)
- Clear and relevant criteria that will be considered in each case
- Formal AESO answer with rationale

#### **Process Considerations**



- Timely process
- Compliance considerations
- Notice for changes to the facts or circumstances
- Amendments and revocations of a waiver or variance
- Transfers of a waiver or variance to new facility owner

### Waiver or Variance Content



- Terms and conditions
- Effective and expiry dates
- Mitigation or remediation plans
- Milestone completion dates
- Reporting requirements to the AESO

### Feedback on Variance or Waiver Request Information, Process Considerations and Content of a Waiver or Variance?





### Next Steps



- Determine whether additional workgroup sessions are required
- AESO to determine whether development of a rule is necessary
- Develop a draft rule and complete written consultation
- Target completion of consultation by the end of Q1 2019



## Thank You

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