

December 10, 2018

To: Market Surveillance Administrator, Market Participants and Other Interested Parties

Re: **Letter of Notice of Draft Proposed New ISO Rule Section 502.7, Load Facility Technical Requirements ("Section 502.7")**

Pursuant to Section 6.3 of Alberta Utilities Commission Rule 017: *Procedures and Process for Development of ISO Rules and Filing of ISO Rules with the Alberta Utilities Commission*, the Alberta Electric System Operator ("AESO") is providing notice and seeking feedback from the Market Surveillance Administrator, market participants, and other interested parties ("Stakeholders") on the draft proposed new Section 502.7.

### **Applicability**

The draft proposed new Section 502.7 is applicable to a load facility, including:

- the legal owner of an electric distribution system;
- a person who has entered into an arrangement directly with the ISO for the provision of system access service under subsection 101(2) of the Act;
- the legal owner of an industrial system which has been designated as such by the Commission;
- the legal owner of a transmission facility; and
- the ISO.

### **Background and Objectives**

The *Generation and Load Interconnection Standard* came into effect on September 19, 2006. On September 28, 2012, the AESO issued a letter confirming its intent to transition the requirements related to load facilities into an ISO rule, consistent with the approach taken with the generation requirements and other AESO Interconnection Standards transitioned to date. Proposed new Section 502.7 is the result of that transition.

Proposed new Section 502.7 contains minimum technical requirements related to the design, build and operation of load facilities for the reliable operation of the interconnected electric system. As part of the development of proposed new Section 502.7, the AESO also developed a new definition for "point of common coupling".

### **Stakeholder Comments**

Stakeholders may submit written comments to the AESO on proposed new Section 502.7 using the *Stakeholder Comment Matrix – Draft Proposed ISO Rule* and on the proposed new definition of "point of common coupling" using the *Stakeholder Comment Matrix – Draft Proposed Definition*. The AESO will only consider written comments in finalizing the draft proposed new Section 502.7. Stakeholders should ensure that comments provided represent all interests within their organization. The scope of comments is limited to the draft proposed new Section 502.7 and the proposed new definition of "point of common coupling". The AESO will not consider any comments that are outside of this scope.

The AESO has posted, on the [AESO website](#), any data, analyses, or other material that the AESO considers to be relevant to the development of the draft proposed new Section 502.7.

The deadline for Stakeholders to provide comments is January 17, 2019, to [rules\\_comments@aeso.ca](mailto:rules_comments@aeso.ca). Adherence to deadlines is essential to the integrity of the comment process, and as such, the AESO may choose not to consider any Stakeholder comments received after the deadline.

The AESO will publish all Stakeholder comments, received by the deadline, and the AESO's responses on the AESO website on February 1, 2019.

If no comments are received by the AESO regarding the draft proposed new Section 502.7, the AESO will proceed to apply to the Commission for approval of Section 502.7 pursuant to AUC Rule 017, Section 7.1.

#### **Related Materials**

1. [The draft proposed new Section 502.7](#);
2. [The draft proposed new definition of "point of common coupling"](#);
3. [Stakeholder Comment Matrix – Draft Proposed New ISO Rule Section 502.7, Load Facility Technical Requirements](#).

Sincerely,

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