

April 12, 2016

AESO Stakeholders

Dear Stakeholder:

Re: **Invitation to Participate in Consultation on the 2015 Deferral Account Reconciliation**

The AESO invites you to participate in consultation on its 2015 deferral account reconciliation application, which the AESO anticipates filing for approval by the Alberta Utilities Commission in May 2016.

The consultation meeting is scheduled as follows:

Date:	Tuesday, May 3, 2016
Time:	1:30 – 3:30 PM
Place:	AESO Main Boardroom, 25th Floor, 330 – 5th Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta
Teleconference:	Phone number 1-866-835-7781 and code 5565714323
RSVP:	By 5:00 PM on Friday, April 29, 2016 to Brenda Hill, brenda.hill@aeso.ca or 403-539-2850

The AESO expects to discuss the following topics during the meeting:

- variances and current balances of deferral accounts;
- material prior year adjustments to be included in the 2015 deferral account reconciliation;
- allocation of 2015 deferral account reconciliation amounts to market participants;
- proposed request for approval for immediate interim settlement of deferral account balances; and
- proposed plan for 2015 deferral account reconciliation application submission and settlement of deferral account balances.

Additional Background

During the 2013-2014 Deferral Account Reconciliation proceeding, the AESO stated that it intends to make the filing of future deferral account reconciliation applications a higher priority going forward.¹ The AESO is accordingly targeting filing of the 2015 application in May.

¹ Exhibit 20866-X0065, AESO-ADC-2015OCT30-002(b).

The 2015 deferral account reconciliation application will provide a first reconciliation of 2015 deferral account balances. It will also provide for a reconciliation of the prior years, 2010 – 2014, each of which has been reconciled at least once in previous deferral account reconciliation applications.

The deferral account balances at the end of December 2015 were as follows:

2015 Deferral Account Reconciliation Balances (\$ 000 000)

Production Year	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	Total
(Shortfall) Surplus	(\$17.2)	\$10.8	\$12.2	\$4.5	(\$4.7)	\$1.0	\$6.7

All information relating to the 2015 Deferral Account Reconciliation consultation will be available on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca by following the path Tariff ► Current Consultations ► 2015 Deferral Account Reconciliation. As well, new information posted by the AESO on this topic will be mentioned in the AESO stakeholder newsletter, which you can subscribe to by clicking “Sign-up for our stakeholder newsletter” at the lower right of the AESO’s home page at www.aeso.ca.

If you have any questions on the AESO’s 2015 deferral account reconciliation application or process, please contact me at 403-539-2555 in Calgary or by e-mail to larhonda.papworth@aesoc.ca.

Sincerely,

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cc: Carol Moline, Director, Accounting & Treasury
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