

September 7, 2017

To: Market Participants and Other Interested Parties

Re: **Alberta Electric System Operator (“AESO”) Reply to Market Participants Comments on Proposed New and Amended Alberta Reliability Standard Definitions:**

- a) New “emergency rating” Definition;
- b) New “equipment rating” Definition;
- c) New “normal rating” Definition;
- d) Amended “facility rating” Definition; and
- e) Amended “system operating limit” Definition

(collectively referred to as the “new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions”)

On May 8, 2017, the AESO issued a [Consultation Letter](#) regarding the proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions and requesting market participant comments on the same.

AESO Reply to Market Participant Comments

On May 25, 2017, the AESO posted [written comments](#) received regarding the proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions. The AESO’s replies to comments, including the rationale or basis for the position of the AESO that explains why certain positions were rejected or accepted, are set out in the attached Market Participant Comment and AESO Replies Matrix.

The AESO has made amendments to the proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions in response to comments received, which are reflected in the attached Market Participant Comment and AESO Replies Matrix.

Forwarding of the Final Proposed New and Amended FAC-008-AB-3 Definitions

Pursuant to Section 19 of the *Transmission Regulation*, the AESO expects to forward the final proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions to the Alberta Utilities Commission (“AUC” or “Commission”) on October 2, 2017, with the AESO’s recommendation that the Commission approve final proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions for use in Alberta reliability standards.

The new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions are proposed to become effective in conjunction with proposed New Alberta Reliability Standard FAC-008-AB-3, *Facility Ratings*.

Attachments to AESO Reply Letter

The following documents are attached:

1. [Market Participant Comment and AESO Replies Matrix](#), which includes a blackline of the amendments to the proposed new and amended FAC-008-AB-3 definitions.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed By"

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Attachments