

Stakeholder Comment and AESO Replies Matrix



AESO Consultation – 2017-2018 Budget Review Process (2017-18 BRP), Invitation to Stakeholders and Supporting Material

March 30, 2017

The AESO has asked market participants and interested parties to participate in the AESO's consultation regarding its 2017-18 Business Plan and Budget. Related stakeholder comments regarding the invitation and supporting material are provided in the following matrix. The matrix also includes AESO management's response to those comments.

Invitation to Participate
Do stakeholders accept the invitation to participate in the 2017-18 BRP?
Alberta Direct Connect (ADC) ADC accepts the invitation to participate in the 2017-2018 BRP.
AltaLink Management Limited (AltaLink) AltaLink accepts the invitation to participate in the 2017-18 BRP.
Capital Power Corporation (Capital Power) Capital Power accepts the invitation to participate in the AESO's 2017-2018 BRP.
Industrial Power Consumers Association of Alberta (IPCAA) Yes.
Utilities Consumer Advocate (UCA) Yes
AESO Response Comments noted. The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) thanks stakeholders for their participation, commitment and support of the process.

Terms of Reference

Do stakeholders agree with or have comments on the principles set out in the Terms of Reference?

ADC

ADC is supportive of the principles.

AltaLink

AltaLink agrees with the principles set out in the Terms of Reference. AltaLink has no comments on the Terms of Reference.

Capital Power

Capital Power has no comments.

IPCAA

Yes – agree. No comments at this time.

UCA

Agree

AESO Response

Comments noted.

Process Steps

Do stakeholders agree with or have comments on the steps identified in the 2017-18 BRP?

ADC

ADC supports the steps outlined in the process.

AltaLink

AltaLink agrees with the steps identified in the 2017-18 BRP Process. AltaLink has no comments on the 2017-18 BRP steps.

Capital Power Corporation

Capital Power has no comments.

IPCAA

Yes – agree. No comments at this time.

UCA

Agree

AESO Response

Comments noted.

Calendar and Schedule

Do stakeholders agree with the proposed BRP stakeholder calendar? Are there any comments regarding the meetings scheduled?

ADC

ADC can work within the proposed calendar. Please arrange for remote or web access for Calgary meetings.

AESO Response

Comment noted. The AESO will arrange for remote access for the Calgary meetings.

AltaLink

AltaLink is in agreement with the proposed BRP stakeholder calendar regarding the meetings scheduled.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

Capital Power Corporation

Please confirm specific activities addressing the 2018 forecasts of Transmission Line Losses and Ancillary Services Costs (item (i) in the Invitation) begin on April 25th and are included in those activities that include "Forecasts and Own Costs" in the activity descriptor. If not, please provide the first activity that involves the Transmission Line Losses and Ancillary Services Costs review.

AESO Response

Comment confirmed.

Capital Power Corporation

Capital Power requests that the AESO also provide stakeholders with an estimated Energy Market Trading Charge as early as possible in the BRP Process.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

IPCAA

IPCAA can make the proposed stakeholder calendar work.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

UCA

Agree. No comments

AESO Response

Comment noted.

Other Comments

Do stakeholders have any other comments to offer at this time?

ADC

ADC appreciates the opportunity to participate.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

AltaLink

In the AESO's March 6, 2017 BRP – Invitation to Stakeholders Letter, paragraph 1, the AESO states “The AESO is extending an invitation to stakeholders who have an interest in participating in the continuation of the Budget Review Process (BRP), which will be used to establish the AESO's business plan and budget for July 2017 – December 2018 and possibly beyond.” Can the AESO elaborate on what it means by “possibly beyond”?

AESO Response

Comment noted. The reference to “possibly beyond” means that during the process some of the business initiatives identified may be multi-year in nature and have a related lifecycle that spans beyond the 2017-18 planning period.

Capital Power Corporation

Capital Power appreciates the opportunity to participate in the AESO's 2017-2018 BRP.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

IPCAA

No.

AESO Response

Comment noted.

UCA

No comments

ASEO Response

Comment noted.