

Duchess Solar Project Connection Stakeholder Update – Project Cancellation

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The purpose of this update is to inform stakeholders that the ENGIE Development Canada L.P. request for system access service to connect its proposed Duchess Solar Project (Facility) in the Duchess area has been cancelled.

As a result, the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) no longer intends to apply to the Alberta Utilities Commission for approval of the need for the following transmission development:

- Add a 138 kV transmission line to connect the Facility to the existing 138 kV transmission line 831L.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission development.

Project Background

In April 2018, AltaLink Management Ltd. began distributing an information package that included the AESO Need Overview, *Need for the Duchess Solar Project Connection in the Duchess area*. In addition, the AESO posted the Need Overview to its project-specific webpage <https://www.aeso.ca/grid/projects/duchess-solar-project-connection/>.

On March 26, 2019, the ENGIE Development Canada L.P. system access service request to connect the Facility was cancelled.

Who is the AESO?

The AESO plans and operates Alberta's electricity grid and wholesale electricity market safely, reliably and in the public interest of all Albertans. We are a not-for-profit organization with no financial interest or investment of any kind in the power industry.

We appreciate your views. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us directly.

For Further Information

Please contact the AESO through stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca or call our stakeholder relations toll-free line at 1-888-866-2959 if you have any questions.