

July 20, 2020

JP Mousseau  
Executive Director - Facilities  
Alberta Utilities Commission  
Eau Claire Tower  
1400, 600 Third Avenue SW  
Calgary, AB T2P 0G5

Dear Mr. Mousseau:

Re: **Application of the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) for Cancellation of the Needs Identification Document (NID) Approval for the Capital Power Energy Centre Connection**

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### Introduction and Background

On May 26, 2016, the Alberta Utilities Commission (Commission) approved the AESO's Capital Power Energy Centre Connection NID<sup>1</sup> in Decision 21426-D01-2016 and NID Approval 21426-D02-2016 (NID Approval).<sup>2</sup> The NID Approval approved the need for the following transmission development at the Genesee 330P substation:

- extend the 500 kilovolt (kV) buses;
- add two diameters between the 500 kV buses;
- add two 500 kV slack spans;
- add four 500 kV circuit breakers; and
- modify, alter, add or remove equipment, including switchgear, and any operational, protection, control and telecommunication devices required to undertake the work as planned and ensure proper integration with the transmission system.

On May 12, 2020, the AESO received notification from Capital Power (G4) L.P. and ENMAX Genesee L.P. (collectively Genesee L.P.), attached as Attachment 1, requesting the AESO to cancel the request for system access service to connect its approved Genesee Generating Station units 4 and 5 in the City of Edmonton area. Subsequently, on May 13, 2020 the AESO cancelled the Genesee L.P. request for system access service.

### Relief Requested

In accordance with the NID Approvals, which state that, "the Commission may review this approval, in whole or in part, upon its own motion or upon application by an interested party, in accordance with Section 10 of the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*," the AESO is applying to the Commission for cancellation of the NID Approval pursuant to Section 10 of the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*.

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<sup>1</sup> Proceeding 21426, Exhibit 21426-X0008

<sup>2</sup> Decision 21426-D01-2016: *Alberta Electric System Operator Needs Identification Document Application, EPCOR Distribution and Transmission Inc. Facility Application, Genesee Generating Station Units 4 and 5 Connection*, May 26, 2016.

## Directions to EDTI and Request to Combine

On May 21, 2020, the AESO directed the transmission facility owner, in this case EPCOR Distribution & Transmission Inc. (EDTI), to apply to the Commission for cancellation of the facilities-related approvals that were granted as a result of this NID Approval, no later than 30 business days after having received the NID Approval cancellation application number from the AESO. The AESO and EDTI have agreed to coordinate submission of this application with EDTI's application for cancellation of the applicable facilities-related approvals, and the AESO requests that the Commission combine and consider the applications in a single proceeding as contemplated by Section 15.4 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*.

## Stakeholder Notification

With respect to stakeholder notification, Section 4(b) of Appendix A2 of Rule 007: *Applications for Power Plants, Substations, Transmission Lines, Industrial System Designations and Hydro Developments* states that “[i]n the event that the [AESO] decides not to proceed with a needs identification document application or an abbreviated needs identification document application for which a stakeholder notification has been distributed, the [AESO] must notify stakeholders of this decision in writing.”

The AESO directed EDTI to assist the AESO in providing notification to previously notified stakeholders who were part of the participant involvement program<sup>3</sup> conducted by the AESO. The AESO developed a one-page cancellation notice for EDTI to distribute to previously notified stakeholders as the AESO's notification. A copy of the cancellation notice was posted to the AESO website at <https://www.aeso.ca/stakeholder-engagement/transmission-projects/capital-power-energy-centre-connection/> and a notice was published in the AESO Stakeholder Newsletter on June 16, 2020. Copies of the cancellation notice and the AESO Stakeholder Newsletter notice have been included as Attachments 2 and 3, respectively. EDTI has advised the AESO that it has mailed out its project cancellation letter and the AESO's cancellation notice on June 10, 2020. Information from both of these documents were also posted on the EDTI's project-specific webpage at <https://www.epcor.com/products-services/infrastructure/construction-projects/Pages/genesee-substation-expansion-project.aspx> on June 16, 2020. A copy of the EDTI's cancellation letter has been included as Attachment 4.

EDTI has advised that stakeholders have not identified any concerns or objections regarding the cancellation. Similarly, the AESO has not received any indication of concerns or objections about the cancellation.

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<sup>3</sup> Proceeding 21426, Exhibit 21426-X0011 – Appendix C

We trust the foregoing to be satisfactory. Please contact the following individual with any questions or concerns:

Claudia Moroianu  
Regulatory Administrator  
[need.applications@aeso.ca](mailto:need.applications@aeso.ca)  
403-705-5311

Sincerely,

*Electronically submitted by*

Robert Davidson, P.Eng.  
Director, Customer Grid Access

Enclosure:

Attachment 1 – Capital Power Energy Center Cancellation Request (May 12, 2020)  
Attachment 2 – AESO Cancellation Notice (June 2020)  
Attachment 3 – AESO Stakeholder Newsletter Cancellation Notice (June 16, 2020)  
Attachment 4 – EDTI Project Cancellation Letter (June 10, 2020)

## Attachment 1

**Tana Lailan**

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**From:** Wilhelm Danek <wdanek@capitalpower.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2020 2:47 PM  
**To:** Tana Lailan  
**Cc:** Robert Wydareny  
**Subject:** G4/5 SASR Cancellation

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Hi Tana,

Capital Power and Enmax will no longer be proceeding with the Genesee 4 and 5 projects. Please consider this to be formal notice to cancel the SASR for Project #1440, Genesee 4 and 5.

May I ask that you inform the appropriate TFO and provide a SASR Cancellation Letter at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, or require clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out.

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# Project Cancellation for the Capital Power Energy Centre Connection

*The Capital Power (G4) L.P. and ENMAX Genesee L.P. (collectively, Genesee L.P.) request for transmission system access to connect its approved Genesee Generating Station units 4 and 5 (Facility) in the City of Edmonton area has been cancelled.*

## BACKGROUND

The Alberta Utilities Commission (Commission) originally approved the AESO's *Capital Power Energy Centre Connection Needs Identification Document* (NID) on May 26, 2016. The NID approval included the following transmission developments:

- Modify the existing Genesee 330P substation by extending and adding two diameters between the 500 kilovolt (kV) buses.
- Add two 500 kV slack spans.
- Add four 500 kV circuit breakers.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission developments.

## NEXT STEPS

The AESO intends to apply to the Commission for cancellation of the NID approval in mid 2020.

Information related to the Capital Power Energy Centre Connection project is available on the AESO's website at [www.aeso.ca/stakeholder-engagement/transmission-projects](http://www.aeso.ca/stakeholder-engagement/transmission-projects)

## WHO IS THE AESO?

The Alberta Electric System Operator (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, both on the need for transmission system development and proposed transmission plans. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us directly.

## CONTACT US

### Alberta Electric System Operator

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## Attachment 3

AESO Stakeholder Newsletter



June 16, 2020

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# AESO Stakeholder Newsletter



## Capital Power Energy Centre Connection – Cancellation Notice

The AESO would like to inform stakeholders that the Capital Power (G4) L.P. and ENMAX Genesee L.P. (collectively, Genesee L.P.) request for system access service to connect its approved Genesee Generating Stations units 4 and 5 in the City of Edmonton area has been cancelled.

As a result, the AESO intends to apply to the Alberta Utilities Commission for cancellation of the NID approval for the following transmission developments:

- Modify the existing Genesee 330P substation by extending and adding two diameters between the 500 kilovolt (kV) buses.
- Add two 500 kV slack spans.
- Add four 500 kV circuit breakers.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission developments.

The AESO has posted a Cancellation Notice for this project on its website.

Please [click here](#) to view the document or visit the AESO website at [www.aeso.ca](http://www.aeso.ca) and follow the path Stakeholder Engagement > Transmission Projects > Capital Power Energy Centre Connection.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at [stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca](mailto:stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca).

### Our mailing address is:

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[epcor.com](http://epcor.com)

June 10, 2020

[ADDRESS LINE]

RE: GENESEE SUBSTATION EXPANSION PROJECT CANCELLATION

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Dear [STAKEHOLDER],

In August 2018, you received information regarding the approved project to expand the Genesee 330P Substation.

This letter is to inform you that on May 12, 2020, the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) received a request to cancel the Project from Capital Power (G4) LP and ENMAX Genesee LP, the market participants. The AESO accepted this request on May 13, 2020.

EPCOR Distribution & Transmission Inc. ("EDTI") will apply to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) to cancel Permit and Licence 23903-D02-2018<sup>1</sup> and Connection Order 21426-D04-2016 obtained for the Project. In addition, the AESO will apply to the AUC to cancel the Needs Identification Document Approval 21426-D02-2016. See the enclosed AESO Stakeholder Update: Project Cancellation for more information.

If you have questions regarding the cancelled request, please contact the AESO at 1-888-866-2959 or email [stakeholder.relations@aesoc.ca](mailto:stakeholder.relations@aesoc.ca).

If you have any questions regarding this cancelled project, please contact me at the contact information below.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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<sup>1</sup> Permit and Licence 21426-D03-2016, issued as part of the Project approval, was previously rescinded on September 25, 2018, as part of the AUC's approval of EDTI's request for a time extension in Decision 23903-D01-2018 to align with the market participants' revised project schedule.