

Budget Review Process – Invitation to Stakeholders



July 21, 2016

Dear Stakeholders:

Re: Invitation to Stakeholders - AESO 2017 Budget Review Process

The AESO is extending an invitation to stakeholders who have an interest in participating in the continuation of the annual Budget Review Process (BRP), which will be used to establish the AESO's business plan and budget for 2017 and possibly beyond.

The intent of this year's BRP is largely the same as that undertaken by the AESO and stakeholders in previous years. That is to: i) provide an update on the AESO's forecasts of Transmission Line Losses and Ancillary Services Costs and ii) consult on the Business Initiatives and Own Costs proposed for 2017. It is also intended to assist the AESO Board in formalizing its Board Decision regarding the proposed budget and forecasts.

The BRP is a consultative process. The AESO is interested in stakeholder's input into this process and its forecasts. If you are interested in taking part in the 2017 BRP, please confirm your intention to participate in the enclosed stakeholder comments/reply matrix.

As per the previous BRP the AESO has identified the option of scheduling a separate technical Forecasts and Own Costs meeting in Edmonton. This meeting is intended to support regional participation in the BRP and is tentatively scheduled for October 6, 2016. The AESO looks forward to stakeholder comments regarding this option.

Select [here](#) for a copy of the proposed BRP terms-of-reference, select [here](#) for a copy of the proposed process, select [here](#) for a copy of the proposed calendar and select [here](#) for a copy of the comments/reply matrix.

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The AESO is requesting that stakeholder comments be provided on this invitation and the enclosed supporting materials. Comments are to be returned in a completed comments/reply matrix to greg.spence@aeso.ca no later than Thursday August 11th, September 8th, 2016.

If you have any questions or additional information requirements, please do not hesitate to contact me at greg.spence@aeso.ca or 403.539.2532.

Sincerely,

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