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## Transmission Change Management

*Title:* Need Identification Document (NID) Engineering Study Report (ESR) Document Updates

*Change or Update:* Update

*Effective Date:* April 1, 2016

### Change Description

The AESO has undertaken an initiative to improve the documents that make up the Needs Identification Document (NID) Engineering Study Reports (ESRs). The new NID ESR templates are broken into three templates to clearly define the scope of work for each document.

### Background

The previous NID ESR document required multiple iterations of work between the AESO and Market Participants or Study Consultants. An initiative was undertaken to improve the documents as a whole, and have a clearer definition of the scope of work required by each party involved in completing the NID ESR.

### Change Scope

The NID ESR document was broken into three separate documents, which as a whole comprise the NID ESR. The three documents are as follows:

1. **Stage 3 Connection Study Scope** (to be drafted by the AESO and Market Participant)
2. **Stage 3 Connection Assessment Results Report** (to be completed by the Market Participant's Study Consultant – with support from the AESO as needed)
3. **Stage 3 Connection Assessment Recommendations Report** (to be completed by the AESO)

Each of the documents listed above has fillable sections and examples of the inputs that are required to complete each of the documents comprising the NID ESR, to help facilitate consistent completion of the NID ESR documents going forward.

All of these documents are available externally on the AESO website at: [www.aeso.ca/connect](http://www.aeso.ca/connect)

### Implementation Schedule

The three documents will be posted externally on the AESO website on March 31, 2016.

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### Additional Information

The new templates can be found at [www.aeso.ca/connect](http://www.aeso.ca/connect) under the "Templates" tab.

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