

# Notice

## Bulk and regional rate design and modernized demand opportunity service rate design

### Proceeding 26911 Alberta Electric System Operator

The Alberta Utilities Commission, the independent utilities regulator, will be considering the application by the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) for bulk and regional rate design and modernized demand opportunity service (DOS) rate design to ensure that the delivery of Alberta's utility service takes place in a manner that is fair, responsible and in the public interest. If you feel you may be affected by this application, you can provide input to the AUC to review before it makes its decision.

The AESO filed an application on October 15, 2021, pursuant to sections 30 and 119 of the *Electric Utilities Act*, requesting approval from the Commission of amendments to its tariff. In particular, the AESO is seeking approval of its proposed changes to the bulk and regional rate design and modernized DOS rate design.

The Commission is aware that the AESO led a number of stakeholder consultations<sup>1</sup> leading up to the AESO's filing of its application. Accordingly, the Commission is the view that most interested parties have had a reasonable opportunity to be informed about the proposed changes the AESO has included in its application and to generally develop their respective positions in support of or in opposition to the AESO's proposed rate design. Given this, in an effort to promote efficient processing of the AESO's application, the Commission requires each party registering to participate in this proceeding to include in their statement of intent to participate (SIP), or as an attachment to their SIP, the following information:

- A full description of your party/coalition and who is included.
- A full description of the issues in the AESO application your party/coalition is concerned with and why, and your position on the issues.
- A description and skeleton framework of the issues that your party/coalition intends to file evidence on.
- Comments on the materiality and impact expected to your customers/clients if the AESO tariff is approved, as filed.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.aeso.ca/stakeholder-engagement/rules-standards-and-tariff/bulk-and-regional-tariff-design/>

- If you are not a member of a coalition at this time, an indication of how many other interested parties are in accord with your position and how you might combine resources in the proceeding to avoid duplication or overlap.

The Commission proposes to set a schedule for the AESO application using one round of information requests (IRs) and a written hearing process, with a decision issued in the summer of 2022. The Commission invites comments from parties in their SIP on the Commission's proposed schedule (including on whether one round of IRs is sufficient, and whether a written hearing is preferred) or the schedule provided by the AESO in the application.

**Written submissions are due November 2, 2021.**

To register your concerns, or your support for the application, please visit the AUC website and log in to the eFiling System to file your submission for Proceeding 26911. If you do not have access to the internet, send your name, address, phone number, the name of the organization you are representing, a description of your interest in the proceeding, your position including information in support of the position and reasons why the AUC should decide in the manner recommended, and your views on the process, including whether further process is required. If no written submissions are received, the Commission may make its decision without further notice or process.

To learn more about the application and review process, contact:  
Salma Karim at [salma.karim@auc.ab.ca](mailto:salma.karim@auc.ab.ca).

The application, and any associated documents being reviewed, are publicly available on our website. Alternatively, you may contact the applicant's representative, Brenda Hill, at 403-539-2850 or by email at [brenda.hill@aeso.ca](mailto:brenda.hill@aeso.ca) for further details about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the application.

**Privacy**

To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available through the AUC's eFiling System. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of filing your submission.

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Alberta Utilities Commission