

## **Announcement**

November 15, 2023

## AUC inquiry Module A registration for oral submissions

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) is providing the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions to the Commission panel on the inquiry topics for Module A. These sessions will be conducted virtually through Zoom.

Submissions from members of the general public will be conducted during the week of December 4. Individual members of the public who are interested in making a virtual oral submission to the AUC may register for timeslot using the sign-up forms linked below.

Submissions from organizations will be conducted virtually during the week of December 11. This includes submissions from municipalities, First Nations, Métis communities, corporations or industry associations and other groups. Organizations who are interested in making a virtual oral submission to the AUC may register for a timeslot using the sign up-forms linked below. Organizations who are aligned in interest are encouraged to make joint submissions.

Participant group	Week of	Sign-up link:
General public	December 4-8	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4BAFAE2EA2FF2-44840514-aucrenewables
Municipalities, First Nations, Métis communities, corporations or industry associations and other groups	December 11-15	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4BAFAE2EA2FF2-46055021-aucinquiry

The time available for oral submissions is limited and will be allocated based on demand. The AUC will endeavor to accommodate as many oral submissions as possible, while still providing individual registrants with approximately 10 minutes of speaking time. Interested individuals and organizations are encouraged to register early to secure a timeslot.

Registrations will be accepted until 4 p.m. on November 28, 2023, unless all timeslots are filled before that deadline.

The AUC will notify registered individuals and organizations of their scheduled timeslot and allocated speaking time following the registration deadline.

In addition to any questions the AUC may have of parties at the time of their oral submissions, the AUC may identify certain parties it wishes to pose questions to on their written submissions. The AUC will determine whether it needs to ask questions and notify any party it wishes to question through the AUC's eFiling System no later than December 4, 2023. Any questions are expected to be directed towards organizations such as municipalities and industry associations, or experts who authored reports, rather than individual members of the public. This questioning will be scheduled on December 14 and 15.

To ensure transparency and accessibility, all oral submissions and questions from the AUC (if any) will be livestreamed through the AUC's YouTube channel, as well as transcribed and made publicly available on the AUC's eFiling System.

## **Background**

The AUC's inquiry has been separated into two modules (<u>Module A</u> and <u>Module B</u>) to explore the key issues identified in the Alberta government's <u>order-in-council</u>. The AUC issued a <u>notice</u> on October 4, 2023, outlining the process for Module A.

There are a number of options available for parties to participate in Module A of the inquiry (Proceeding 28501). Interested parties will be able to participate by completing a written comment matrix, providing written submissions through the AUC's eFiling System, or registering to make a virtual oral submission to the AUC. Comment matrices and written submissions are due November 22, 2023.

Interested parties may choose their preferred means of participating in the inquiry and are not required to participate in all elements to have their submissions considered.

Additional information on how to participate in the AUC's inquiry can be found on our website.

Alberta Utilities Commission