Stakeholder Comment and AESO Replies Matrix



AESO Consultation – 2019 Budget Review Process (2019 BRP), Invitation to Stakeholders and Supporting Material

August 28, 2018

The AESO has asked market participants and interested parties to participate in the AESO's consultation regarding its 2019 Business Plan and Budget. Related stakeholder comments regarding the invitation and supporting material are provided in the following matrix. The matrix also includes AESO management's response to those comments.

Invitation to Participate

Do stakeholders accept the invitation to participate in the 2019 BRP?

Alberta Direct Connect (ADC)

Yes, ADC accepts the invitation to participate

ENMAX Corporation (ENMAX)

At this time, ENMAX requests the opportunity to be made aware of any developments relating to the AESO's 2019 Budget Review Process. Should certain issues arise that appear to be material, ENMAX may choose to actively participate in the consultation.

Industrial Power Consumers Association of Alberta (IPCAA)

Yes.

TransAlta Corporation (TransAlta)

TransAlta Corporation (TransAlta) accepts the AESO's invitation to participate in the 2019 Budget Review Process.

Utilities Consumer Advocate (UCA)

Yes.

AESO Response

Comments noted. The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) thanks stakeholders for their participation, commitment and support of the process.

Terms of Reference

Do stakeholders agree with or have comments on the principles set out in the Terms of Reference?

ADC

Agree

ENMAX

IPCAA

Yes – agree. No comments at this time.

TransAlta

We agree with transparency concepts and principles outlined in the terms of reference. We strongly support an open and transparent process for setting the AESO's budgets.

UCA

The UCA agrees with the principles.

AESO Response

Comments noted.

Process Steps

Do stakeholders agree with or have comments on the steps identified in the 2019 BRP?

ADC

Agree

ENMAX

IPCAA

Yes – agree. No comments at this time.

TransAlta

We generally agree with steps outlined in the AESO 2019 Budget Review Process Overview.

UCA

No additional comments on the steps identified.

AESO Response

Comments noted.

Calendar and Schedule

Do stakeholders agree with the proposed BRP stakeholder calendar? Are there any comments regarding the meetings scheduled?

ADC

Looks good, no comments at this time.

ENMAX

IPCAA

IPCAA has no immediate concerns with the proposed calendar. The AESO should ensure its upcoming capacity market meetings do not overlap with the BRP meetings.

TransAlta

We have no comments at this time about the proposed BRP stakeholder calendar.

UCA

No concern with calendar.

AESO Response

Comments noted. Confirmed, the AESO does not have any capacity market consultation meetings scheduled at the same time as the proposed 2019 BRP stakeholders meetings. The AESO has internally shared the 2019 BRP stakeholder meeting schedule to ensure conflicts do not arise.

Other Comments

Do stakeholders have any other comments to offer at this time?

ADC

ADC appreciates the opportunity to participate.

ENMAX

IPCAA

N/A

TransAlta

We request more information about the capacity market development costs. We would like more detail about these costs of the various activities associated with the implementation of the capacity market.

UCA

No additional comments.

ASEO Response

Comments noted.