<u>Stakeholder Comment Matrix – May 21, 2020</u> Request for feedback on pricing framework review, session 3 material



Period of Comment: May 22, 2020 through June 5, 2020

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The AESO is seeking comments from stakeholders on its approach to reviewing the pricing framework, and content from session 3.

	Questions	Stakeholder Comments
1.	 The AESO has presented pricing framework options, and the risks and benefits of each, see below: A. Implement improvements to the pricing framework now to incent efficient market response during supply shortage and supply surplus situations B. Implement option A, in future, but delay due to conflicting priorities and external issues that exist today C. Maintain current pricing framework— AESO will continue to monitor the state of the market for signs of loss of system efficiencies Do you believe there other alternatives that should have been considered. If yes, please elaborate. 	Any future reconsideration of the pricing framework should be based upon a new comprehensive review and updated analysis TransAlta supports the AESO's recommendation to maintain the current pricing framework. However, any alternative to change from the current supply surplus framework should be accompanied by a change to the offer price cap. In this regard, we disagree with alternatives A and B and, more specifically, any future consideration as contemplated in alternative B should review both the offer price cap and supply surplus based on an updated analysis.
2.	The AESO's draft recommended approach is Option C above, maintain the current pricing framework. Do you have comments related to this recommendation?	TransAlta strongly supports the AESO's recommendation to maintain the current pricing framework.
3.	Do you feel you have been able to adequately participate and provide comments to the AESO through this engagement? If no, please describe your concerns.	Yes, TransAlta has been able to adequacy participate and provide comments to the AESO through this engagement. We further compliment the AESO for adapting to the challenges of the pandemic, reassessing and flexibly reprioritizing to account for changes in circumstances, and finding solutions to ensure stakeholder engagement was accessible and provided opportunities to gather feedback.



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4.	Do you believe the AESO was effective in the preparation and presentation of the material? If no, please provide suggestions for the improvement of future engagements.	Yes, the AESO was effective in the preparation and presentation of materials given the challenging circumstances.
5.	Please provide any other comments you have related to the pricing framework engagement.	No further comments.

Thank you for your input. Please email your comments to: stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca.