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Update: Chapel Rock-to-Pincher Creek (CRPC) Transmission Development and the Alberta-British **Columbia Intertie Restoration project**

This letter is to update stakeholders on the status and timing of the Chapel Rock-to-Pincher Creek Transmission Development and the Alberta-British Columbia Intertie Restoration project.

As we shared in our previous update letter to stakeholders, transmission development in the Pincher Creek area continues to be part of the AESO's plans to efficiently integrate the region's robust renewable generation into Alberta's electricity system. Through the ongoing process of transmission system planning, we have determined that while the CRPC transmission development is still required, there is some flexibility to align the timing of this project with generation projects in the area.

As such, the AESO is deferring the regulatory application (Needs Identification Document or NID) until 2023 at the earliest. Prior to filing the NID with the Alberta Utilities Commission, the AESO will provide more information on the project and answer any questions you may have. We appreciate your patience as we work to time this project appropriately.

The AESO also continues to evaluate and assess all available options for the restoration of the Alberta-British Columbia Intertie. We anticipate these evaluations to take place over the next year and we will communicate next steps with impacted stakeholders once we have completed this work.

Additional information regarding this project can be found by visiting our website at www.aeso.ca and following the path Grid > Projects > Chapel Rock-to-Pincher Creek Transmission Development (7064) or Alberta - British Columbia Intertie Restoration (7006).

If you have any questions or feedback on the need for the Chapel Rock-to-Pincher Creek or Alberta-British Columbia Intertie project, please contact us at 1-888-866-2959 or stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca.

Questions regarding the routing or siting of potential transmission facilities can be directed to AltaLink at 1-877-269-5903 or stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca.

Sincerely,

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