



## AltaLink Management Ltd.

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**ALTALINK MANAGEMENT LTD.  
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**1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

1. AltaLink Management Ltd. (AltaLink) and TransAlta Corporation (TransAlta) are operators of transmission lines 908L and 909L in the Sundance-Edmonton area. In Decision [2010-067](#),<sup>1</sup> the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or Commission) approved Application No. 1605526 and granted Permits and Licences U2010-68 and U2010-69 to AltaLink, and U2010-70 and U2010-71 to TransAlta, to upgrade transmission lines 908L and 909L (Alteration) between the Sundance 310P and Ellerslie 89S substations.

2. AltaLink registered Application No. 1606451 (Application) with the Commission on August 11, 2010, pursuant to section 19 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*. On behalf of itself and TransAlta, AltaLink requested approval to extend the stipulated completion date of the Alteration from September 1, 2010, to March 31, 2011.

**2 DISCUSSION**

3. AltaLink cited delays to other projects in the vicinity of the Alteration and the scheduling of outages to complete the construction as reasons for the delays to the Alteration. AltaLink stated that as a result of these factors, construction could not be completed by the stipulated completion date of September 1, 2010.

**3 COMMISSION FINDINGS**

4. Section 19 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act* states, in part:

**19(1)** On an application for an approval, permit or licence under this Part, or for an amendment of an approval, permit or licence, the Commission may grant the approval, permit, licence or amendment subject to any terms and conditions that it prescribes or may deny the application.

5. The Commission has reviewed the Application, and considers that the requested extension will not result in any adverse impact on the environment or the public. The Commission finds the reasons provided by AltaLink for a time extension to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 2010-067: AltaLink Management Ltd. and TransAlta Corporation - Upgrade 240-kV Transmission Lines 908L and 909L (Application No. 1605526, Proceeding ID. 333) (Released on February 10, 2010).

#### **4 DECISION**

6. Pursuant to section 19 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, the Commission grants to AltaLink and TransAlta the requested time extension to complete the Alteration, as set out in Permits and Licences U2010-326, U2010-327, U2010-329, and U2010-330. The Permits and Licences will be distributed separately as Appendices 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively.

Dated on August 31, 2010.

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Thomas McGee  
Commissioner