

## Heartland Transmission Project Application

### Route change proposed for the preferred route of the Heartland Transmission Project application (within Transportation Utility Corridor)

**Application No. 1606609**

**Proceeding ID No. 457**

AltaLink L.P. and EPCOR Distribution & Transmission Inc. (applicants) jointly filed an application (Heartland application) with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or Commission) on September 27, 2010, requesting the Commission's approval to construct and operate the Heartland Transmission Project (Heartland project).

The main components of the Heartland project are as follows:

- A 240/500-kilovolt (kV) substation to be located in the northeast quarter of Section 20, Township 56, Range 22, west of the Fourth Meridian (Heartland 12S Substation).
- A 500- kV double-circuit transmission line (1206L/1212L) connecting the 500-kV system on the south side of Edmonton to the proposed Heartland 12S Substation. The route for this transmission line is set out on in Map A, included in this notice.
- A 240-kV double-circuit transmission line (1054L/1061L) connecting the 240-kV system in the area to proposed Heartland 12S Substation.

A detailed description of the Heartland project is set out in the Heartland application.

An AUC public hearing to consider the Heartland project commenced on April 11, 2011 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre, 7515 118 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta. On April 26, 2011, the applicants filed an amendment to their application.

The amended portion of the preferred route is located entirely in the transportation and utility corridor (TUC) and begins to move west of the original preferred route just north of Highway 628 in the SW-16-52-23-W4 (near the top of strip mosaic T4 in the application). The amended preferred route would primarily be located about 100 to 200 metres west of the original preferred TUC route until the amended TUC route merges back into the original preferred route south of Baseline Road in NW-33-52-23-W4 (approximately mid-map of strip mosaic T6 in the application). The section of the original preferred TUC route that has been replaced by the route amendment remains as an alternate route section. Map B, included in this notice, illustrates the amendment to the route. The applicants' filed amendment, with updated maps can be found in exhibit 935.01.AML-457.

The amended preferred TUC route affects the following in the application:

- Strip mosaics T4, T5 and T6 of appendix I1 (towers 44 to 61).
- Strip mosaics T4, T5 and T6 of appendix I2 (monopole towers 47 to 68).
- 500-kV Overall Study Area Map of Appendix D-1.

- 500-kV Overall Study Area Mosaic Map of Appendix D-2.

The Commission has reviewed the Heartland application, including the April 26, 2011 amendment and finds that it includes all of the information required by law and the Commission's rules.

**For anyone who believes their rights may be directly and adversely affected by the Commission's decision on the amended Heartland application but has not yet registered to participate in the public hearing process, this notice provides information about how to participate and the options available.**

### **Options for participation in the public hearing:**

The three options for participation in the Commission's consideration of the Heartland application are outlined below. **Regardless of the option chosen, you must advise the Commission of how you intend to participate in the public hearing by May 9, 2011.**

#### **Option 1: Formal public hearing**

The Commission commenced a formal public hearing on the Heartland application on April 11, 2011 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre, 7515 118 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta.

If your rights may be directly and adversely affected by the Commission's decision on the amended Heartland application you may participate in the public hearing by presenting evidence, cross-examining witnesses and submitting argument.

If you want to participate in the public hearing you must make a written submission to the AUC containing the following:

- Your name, address in Alberta, telephone number, fax number and, if available, an email address.
- If you are represented by a lawyer, agent or other representative, the name, address in Alberta, telephone number, fax number and, if available, an email address for that person.
- The nature and scope of your intended participation.
- The facts you propose to show in evidence.
- The reasons why you believe the Commission should decide in the manner that you advocate.
- Your efforts, if any, to resolve issues associated with the hearing or other proceeding directly with the applicants.

**If you intend to present documentary evidence at the hearing you must file the documentary evidence with your submission by May 9, 2011.** The documentary evidence must be accompanied with a statement setting out the qualifications of the person who prepared the documentary evidence or under whose direction or control the evidence was prepared.

### **Option 2:**

You may make an oral submission up to five minutes in length to the Commission at the public hearing. If you want to make an oral submission at the public hearing you must provide the following information to the AUC:

- Identify the dates that you would be available to attend.
- Identify a time that you would prefer to give your oral presentation.
- Provide your name, address in Alberta, telephone number, fax number, if any, and if possible, an email address.

### **Option 3: Written submission**

You may file a written submission with the Commission that expresses your view on the Heartland project. Your written submission should have information that you want the Commission to consider when making its decision on the application. Written submissions must be filed with the AUC on or before May 9, 2011.

Note: The three options are not mutually exclusive. For example, you may want to make a written submission and also provide a verbal summary of your submission at the public hearing.

### **Making your submission:**

**Registered participants intending to participate in one of the options listed above for the Heartland application must file a submission with the Commission advising of which option for participation they choose by May 9, 2011.**

If you have any questions about filing a submission for any of the three participation options please contact Keith Gladwyn or [keith.gladwyn@auc.ab.ca](mailto:keith.gladwyn@auc.ab.ca) or call the AUC concerns line at 780-427-4903.

The AUC appreciates receiving submissions through the electronic filing services (e-filing services) on our website ([www.auc.ab.ca](http://www.auc.ab.ca)). Guidelines on how to access and use the e-filing services are in the [AUC Electronic Filings Services brochure](#), available in the Newsroom section of the AUC website. You can also make your submission using the contact information provided below.

Electronic submissions can be sent to:

[filings@auc.ab.ca](mailto:filings@auc.ab.ca)

Subject: Application No. 1606609/Proceeding ID No. 457

Paper submissions can be delivered to:

Alberta Utilities Commission,  
Tenth Floor, 10055 106 Street  
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2Y2

You can also provide your submission to an AUC staff member at the Heartland Transmission application hearing between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. in room 301-302 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre, 7515 118 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta

For assistance with the AUC's e-filing services, contact AUC system services at:  
Phone: 780-643-1055  
Email: [systemservices@auc.ab.ca](mailto:systemservices@auc.ab.ca)

***Freedom of Information and Privacy Act:***

Documents that you file in this proceeding will be available to the public. If your documents do not contain personal information, the general public will have internet access to your documents through the AUC website. If your documents do contain personal information, only individuals and organizations who register to participate in this proceeding will have Internet access to your documents through the AUC website. If you do not want your personal information made available to those persons who are participating in the proceeding, you must apply for a confidential ruling under section 13 of the AUC Rule 001: *Rules of Practice* before you file your documents.

The AUC will only collect and use your personal information for the purposes of this proceeding. The AUC's legal authority to collect your personal information for this proceeding is section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

**Additional information:**

Please visit our website at [www.auc.ab.ca](http://www.auc.ab.ca) for more information on opportunities to get involved in the Heartland application or contact the AUC directly at:

Telephone: 780-427-4903  
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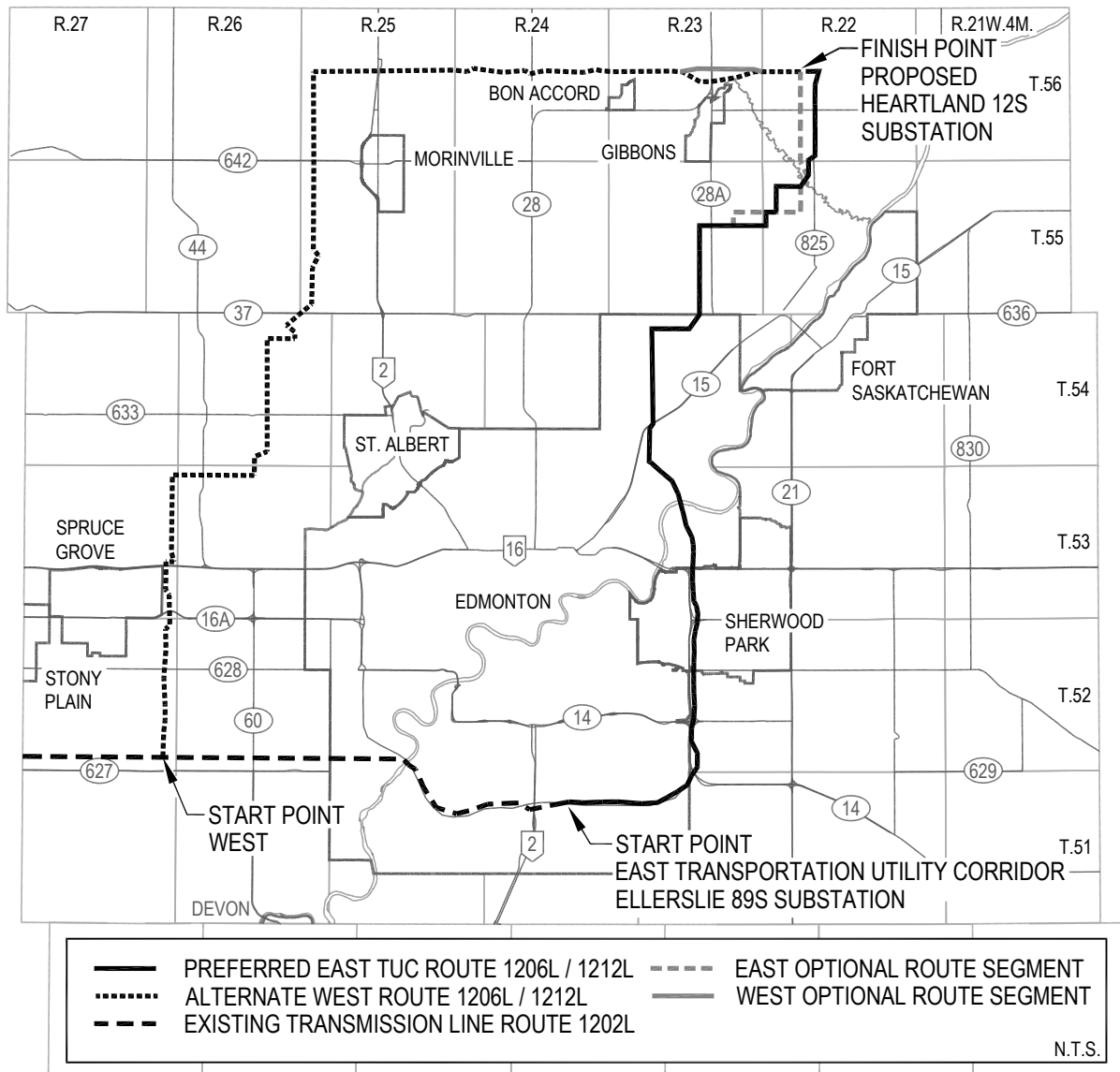
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Map A



Map B

