



January 14, 2010

Dear Market Participants and Interested Parties:

Re: Final Proposed Level II Changes to Existing OPP 702 Voltage Control (“OPP 702 Changes”)

Please find attached the proposed changes to existing OPP 702 being recommended for internal AESO approval in January 2010. The OPP 702 changes were initially distributed for consultation on December 3, 2009.

For ease of reference, the following grid is hyperlinked to provide assistance in directing stakeholders to the summary of the OPP 702 Changes and the attachments.

Rule Number	Description	Level	Most relevant stakeholder interest
OPP 702	Voltage Control	II	GFOs, TFOs, Wire Owners, and market participants

The AESO is required to provide responses to market participant comments pursuant to Section 8 of the Alberta Utilities Commission (“Commission”) Rule 017. No written comments were received on the OPP 702 Changes.

Pursuant to Section 9 of Commission Rule 017, please note the following:

1. The AESO will be filing the OPP 702 Changes with the Commission on January 29, 2010.
2. Market Participants, as defined in the *Electric Utilities Act* (“EUA”), may object to an ISO rule filed with the Commission within 10 days of the publication by the Commission of the notice of filing of the ISO rule, in accordance with Section 20.4 of the EUA; and
3. The OPP 702 Changes are proposed to be effective on February 15, 2010, in accordance with Section 20.3 of the EUA.

Yours sincerely,

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Final Proposed LEVEL II ISO Rule Changes

Level II changes are changes that are expected to have a moderate or low impact on the industry or the ISO, and generally require little or no effort by stakeholders for implementing a solution. They are provided to stakeholders to review to ensure that the expected impact is reasonable, to identify unrealized impacts and/or to provide notice of the potential change in administrative processes.

OPP 702 Voltage Control	
Rule Section/Number	Part 3, OPP 702 Voltage Control
Summary of ISO Rule	OPP 702 provides consistent voltage control guidelines for the Alberta Interconnected Electric system (AIES) and operating policy for all parties concerned with voltage control, including the transmission facility owners (TFOs), generation facility owners (GFOs) and the system controller (SC).
Summary of Amendment	<p>Studies show that in order to ensure the safe and reliable operation of the Northwest area of the Alberta system, the minimum operating limits of some 240/144 kV buses must be increased. These increases are proposed in Table 1 of OPP 702.</p> <p>To maintain up to date procedures, the AESO also proposes additions to Table 2 of OPP 702 to reflect the addition of two capacitors in the Hardisty area one in the Hanna area, with a new reactor in northwestern Alberta at Wesley Creek.</p>
Level	II
Explanation of Confidentiality	None



Proposed Effective Date	February 15, 2010
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Attachments	See attached: Rationale Document for Final Changes to OPP 702