December 3, 2009

Dear Market Participants and Interested Parties:

Re: Letter of Notice – Proposed Level II Changes to Existing OPP 702 Voltage Control ("OPP 702 Changes")

Pursuant to Section 2(1) of the Alberta Utilities Commission ("Commission") Rule 017, the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) is hereby providing notice and seeking feedback OPP 702 Changes that are being proposed by the AESO.

The OPP 702 Changes include amendments to Table 1 that are a result of an engineering study on the Northwest area of Alberta. The minimum operating voltage limits are recommended to increase in order to ensure the reliable system operation. Amendments were also made to Table 2 reflect the addition of two capacitors in the Hardisty area and Hanna area, with a new reactor in northwestern Alberta at Wesley Creek.

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. The attached summary provides more information on the OPP 702 Changes, including a brief explanation of the reason why they are needed.

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

Comments and suggestions on the OPP 702 Changes are encouraged. Please use the comment matrix provided when submitting comments to the AESO on the proposed ISO rule changes. Click here to access the comment matrix for the OPP 702 Changes. Only written comments will be considered in finalizing the OPP 702 Changes.

Please provide feedback or questions by **Wednesday, January 6, 2010** to the ***individual*** specified in the "AESO Contact" section of the "Proposed LEVEL II ISO Rule Changes" below.

The AESO will be publishing all stakeholder comments received for industry review shortly after the comment deadline. Stakeholder comments received along with AESO replies will be published with the final OPP 702 Changes being recommended for internal AESO approval in January, 2010.

Yours sincerely,

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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	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. 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.
Level	II
Explanation of Confidentiality	None

Proposed Effective Date	February 9, 2010
AESO Contact	Operating Policy and Procedures, Jason Murray, opp_comments@aeso.ca (403) 705-5230
Attachments	See attached: Rationale Document for Changes to OPP 702