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### **Draft amendments to AUC Rule 007 respecting environmental requirements and needs identification documents**

The Alberta Utilities Commission is responsible for making timely decisions on the need, siting, construction, alteration, operation and decommissioning of electricity transmission facilities. The AUC is proposing changes to Rule 007: *Applications for Power Plants, Substations, Transmission Lines, Industrial System Designations and Hydro Developments* to reflect:

- Updates for environmental requirements, including environmental checklists for transmission line and substation projects.
- Streamlined application requirements for needs identification documents.
- Elimination of applications for approval of certain isolated generating units.

The environmental and needs identification document requirements were most recently addressed in Bulletin 2014-03 and Bulletin 2015-12, respectively. The draft rule and checklists are available on the AUC website.

The Commission thanks those parties who have participated in this initiative and invites them and others to provide final submissions, if any, by November 16, 2015.

If you have questions or feedback with respect to the changes outlined in this bulletin, please contact AUC Executive Director of Facilities Wade Vienneau at [wade.vienneau@auc.ab.ca](mailto:wade.vienneau@auc.ab.ca), or by telephone at 403-592-4470.

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