

Notice

Hearing for development of Canyon Creek Pumped Hydro Energy Storage Project in the Hinton area

Proceeding 22934 Applications 22934-A001 and 22934-A002

The Alberta Utilities Commission, the independent utilities regulator, will be holding a hearing to review the applications and submissions received to consider the power plant and hydro development applications in Proceeding 22934.

Written evidence is due May 4, 2018.

Turning Point Generation has applied under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act* to develop the Canyon Creek Pumped Hydro Energy Storage project. The project is located approximately 13 kilometres northeast of the town of Hinton, adjacent to the Obed Mountain coal mine. The project consists of two water reservoirs connected by a penstock (pipeline) in a closed system. Water would be pumped from the lower reservoir to the upper reservoir when there is excess power on the Alberta Interconnected Electric System. Water would then be allowed to flow back down to the lower reservoir to generate power when needed. The project would be connected to the Alberta Interconnected Electric System via a 138-kilovolt transmission line to be considered in a separate proceeding in the future. Please refer to the map for additional detail.

Additional information about the applications

For full application details visit the AUC website, log on to the eFiling System, enter the proceeding number and select go.

Hearing

Alberta Utilities Commission Edmonton Hearing Room
12th floor, 10055 – 106 Street, Edmonton, Alberta
Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 9 a.m.

If you intend to present written evidence at the hearing, you must be present at the commencement of the hearing and submit written evidence by May 4, 2018.

For more information about participating in this proceeding contact:
Trevor Richards at 403-592-4469 or email your questions to trevor.richards@auc.ab.ca.

Information session

The Commission is offering to hold an information session to discuss the hearing process via teleconference. The merits of the application will not be discussed during the information session. If the Commission receives a request for an information session, the session would take place at a convenient time for the intervener(s) prior to April 11, 2018. To request to participate in the information session please contact:

Trevor Richards at 403-592-4469 or email your questions to trevor.richards@auc.ab.ca.

The applications, and any associated documents being reviewed, are publicly available on our website.

For further details about the applications, please contact the applicant:

Turning Point Generation
Jeff Wearmouth
587-229-6477
jwear@telus.net

Submissions

To register your concerns, or support for the proposed project, please visit the AUC website and log in to the eFiling System to file your submission for Proceeding 22934. If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact us at 780-427-4903 for other options for submitting your concerns and participating in this proceeding. If no written submissions are received, the Commission may make its decision without further notice or process.

Those who do not have access to the Internet can send a submission by mail or fax, and the AUC will upload the submission on your behalf. Please send your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and describe your interest in the land, your business, or your activities which may be affected. Please briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

If you intend to present written evidence at the hearing, you must be present at the commencement of the hearing and submit written evidence by May 4, 2018. Your written evidence should include your statement about your intended level of participation. Please include whether you or your representative will:

- File supporting evidence.
- Attend the hearing.
- Cross-examine any of the applicant's witness panels.

Privacy

To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available to anyone registered in this proceeding. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of filing your submission.

Participant information

Please review our website or contact our Consumer Relations group for more information about your opportunities for involvement, assistance with your submission, and the funding options which may be available to you under Rule 009: *Rules on Local Intervener Funding*. They can be reached at 780-427-4903 or by email at consumer-relations@auc.ab.ca.

Participating in the hearing

If you intend to present written evidence at the hearing, you must submit that written evidence by May 4, 2018. Written evidence can be reports prepared by experts or written information (including maps, charts, photographs and narrative statements) prepared by an intervener personally, and clearly identified as such. Any report that was prepared by an expert, and which is being filed in support of an intervener’s position, must clearly state the qualifications of the expert and the name of the intervener who directed that the report was to be prepared. Please be aware that the author of any report or other written evidence that an intervener expects the Commission to rely upon must be available to be cross-examined at the hearing.

Summarized process schedule:

The Commission has established the following process to consider the applications:

Process step	Date
Interveners’ information requests (questions) to applicants deadline	April 16, 2018
Applicant’s deadline to respond to information requests	April 23, 2018
Interveners’ written evidence deadline	May 4, 2018
Information requests to interveners	May 10, 2018
Interveners’ deadline to respond to information requests	May 17, 2018
Applicant’s reply evidence deadline	May 23, 2018
Commencement of hearing	May 29, 2018, 9 a.m.

Issued on March 27, 2018.

Alberta Utilities Commission
Douglas A. Larder, QC, General Counsel

