

# Notice of applications

## Transmission Line 7L65 Rebuild Project

### ATCO Electric Ltd. has filed applications for new transmission lines in the Vegreville and Vermilion areas

#### Proceeding 24102 Applications 24102-A001 to 24102-A004

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be considering the transmission development applications in Proceeding 24102. If you feel you may be affected by these applications you can provide input to the AUC to review before it makes its decision.

#### Written submissions are due March 8, 2019.

ATCO Electric Ltd. has applied, under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, to rebuild the existing Transmission Line 7L65 to allow the facility to operate at full thermal capacity. Transmission Line 7L65 is located between the existing Vegreville 709S Substation and the existing Vermilion 710S Substation.

ATCO Electric Ltd. is seeking approval to construct a new single-circuit 144-kilovolt (kV) transmission line. This new line will replace the existing Transmission Line 7L65, which is approximately 93 kilometres (km) in length. The rebuilt line will consist of an approximately 22-km segment (designated as Transmission Line 7L134) between the Vegreville 709S Substation and the approved Vincent 2019S Substation, and an approximately 77-km segment (designated as new Transmission Line 7L65) between the Vincent 2019S Substation and the Vermilion 710S Substation.

The attached map identifies the applied-for routes, which include a preferred route and five alternative route segments (collectively called the alternate route) for new Transmission Line 7L65 and Transmission Line 7L134. The Commission may approve the preferred route, the alternate route, or a combination of the preferred route and one or more alternative route segments.

ATCO Electric Ltd. is also seeking approval to alter the approved Transmission Line 7LA65, by moving the approved tap location on Transmission Line 7L65 to a point on new Transmission Line 7L65, and to alter the existing 144-kV Transmission Line 7L129. The alteration of Transmission Line 7L129 would involve rebuilding approximately 800 metres of this line on double-circuit structures with new Transmission Line 7L65. The double-circuit transmission line segment would be located in the northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 50, Range 7, west of the Fourth Meridian.

### **Additional information about the applications**

The applications include requests for approvals of access trails and temporary workspace areas. The workspace areas would be located outside the right-of-way and are required for construction, decommission and salvage activities. ATCO Electric Ltd. has proposed to use a phased construction schedule and to energize the new transmission lines in stages. Following each phase, the decommissioned transmission line segment will be salvaged.

The applications and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website [www.auc.ab.ca](http://www.auc.ab.ca). Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

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### **Participant information session**

The AUC will be holding an information session to present information about how you may become involved in this proceeding and the funding which may be available to you to support your position, which includes costs for legal representation and expert witnesses. The project and its merits will not be discussed at this session:

Pomeroy Inn & Suites  
6539 Highway 16A W, Vegreville, Alta. T9C 0A3  
Monday, February 25, 2019, at 7 p.m.

If you cannot attend the information session, but want to learn more about the review process please contact us or visit our website and review the information under “Have your say” and under “Review process.”

### **Submissions**

If you wish to participate in this proceeding, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 24102, and register to participate under the “registered parties” tab. Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC or [info@auc.ab.ca](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca) for more information or assistance with filing your submission. The lead application officer, Kal Elkassem, can also be contacted at [kal.elkassem@auc.ab.ca](mailto:kal.elkassem@auc.ab.ca) or 403-592-4388.

The AUC may make its decision without further notice or process if no written submissions are received.

Submissions must include your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and a description of your interest in the land, your business, or your activities which may be affected by the proposed project. Please also briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

**Privacy**

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

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

