

Notice of hearing Vulcan Solar Project

Acestes Ventures Ltd. has filed applications for a solar power plant in the Vulcan area

Proceeding 23645 Applications 23645-A001 and 23645-A002

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be holding an information session and hearing to review the applications and submissions received to consider the solar power plant development applications in Proceeding 23645.

Written evidence is due December 14, 2018.

Acestes Ventures Ltd. has requested approval to construct and operate the Vulcan Solar Power Project, located approximately 3.5 kilometres southeast of Vulcan. The project would have a total generating capability of 25 megawatts and would connect to FortisAlberta Inc.'s distribution system. The solar power plant is proposed to be located on 160 acres of land in the northwest corner of Section 22, Township 16, Range 24, west of the Fourth Meridian at the intersection of Township Road 164 and Range Road 243. The applications have been filed under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*.

Additional information about the applications

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. Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

Acestes Ventures Ltd.
Clyde Carr
Phone: 403-969-5500
Email: carrc@acestespower.ca

Hearing

Heritage Inn Hotel & Convention Centre
1104 11 Avenue S.E.
High River, Alberta
Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 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 December 14, 2018.

Participant information session

The AUC will be holding an information session to provide 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.

Vulcan Legion Branch 21
240 Sinclair Rd
Vulcan, Alberta

Monday, November 19, 2018, 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” or 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 23645, and register to participate under the “Registered parties” tab. Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC or info@auc.ab.ca for more information or assistance with filing your submission. The lead application officer, Taylor McCusker, can also be contacted at taylor.mccusker@auc.ab.ca or 403-592-4370.

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 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.

Participating in the hearing

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 December 14, 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.

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
Information session	November 19, 2018, 7 p.m.
Intervenors' information requests (questions) to applicant	November 27, 2018
Applicant's deadline to respond to information requests	December 4, 2018
Intervenors' written evidence deadline	December 14, 2018
Information requests to intervenors	December 21, 2018
Intervenors' deadline to respond to information requests	January 9, 2019
Applicant's reply evidence deadline	January 16, 2019
Commencement of hearing	Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 9 a.m.

Issued on November 2, 2018.

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

