

# Notice

## Application for the decommissioning costs of the Sundance 1 and 2 generating units has been received

### Proceeding 23778 Application 23778-A002

The Alberta Utilities Commission will consider the application filed by TransAlta Corporation, pursuant to Section 5 of the *Power Purchase Arrangements Regulation*, for approval to recover the costs associated with the decommissioning of the Sundance 1 and 2 generating units (the decommissioning costs application). If approved, the costs will be paid by the Balancing Pool.

The costs applied for in the decommissioning costs application include the future decommissioning costs of the Sundance 1 and 2 generating units, a proportionate share of costs to reclaim the Highvale Mine and costs for the reclamation of other associated facilities.

The decommissioning costs application was filed subsequent to TransAlta Corporation's application requesting a preliminary determination of legal questions pertaining to Section 5(4) of the *Power Purchase Arrangements Regulation*. On October 4, 2018, in Decision 23778-D01-2018,<sup>1</sup> the Commission determined that it has the jurisdiction to continue the proceeding past December 31, 2018. The Commission also determined that it may approve TransAlta Corporation's decommissioning costs on a final forecast basis. The decommissioning costs application has been combined with this previous application and is being considered in Proceeding 23778.

To register your concerns, or your support for the decommissioning costs application, please visit the AUC website and log in to the eFiling System to file your submission for Proceeding 23778. Parties that have already registered or filed submissions on the preliminary legal issues may register any concerns, or support, for the decommissioning costs application. Please contact the AUC's assistance and information services group at [info@auc.ab.ca](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca) or 310-4AUC if you require assistance with the eFiling System.

**Written submissions are due January 29, 2019.**

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 23778-D01-2018: TransAlta Corporation – Preliminary Motion for Sundance Unit 1 and Unit 2 Decommissioning Costs, Decision on Preliminary Legal Issues, Proceeding 23778, Application 23778-A001, October 4, 2018.

If no written submissions are received with respect to the decommissioning costs application, **from interested parties or parties already registered on Proceeding 23778**, the Commission may make its decision without further notice or process. If submissions are received, the Commission will issue a process schedule in due course.

To learn more about the application and review process, contact the lead application officer, Taylor McCusker, at 403-592-4370 or email your questions to [taylor.mccusker@auc.ab.ca](mailto:taylor.mccusker@auc.ab.ca).

The application 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, you may contact the applicant's representative, Laura-Marie Berg, at 403-267-7527 or by email at [laura-marie\\_berg@transalta.com](mailto:laura-marie_berg@transalta.com) for further details about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the application.

### **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  
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