

February 11, 2020

To: Parties currently registered on Proceeding 25170

**Irricana Power Generation  
Irricana Solar Project  
Proceeding 25170  
Applications 25170-A001 and 25170-A002**

**Ruling on standing**

1. In this ruling, the Alberta Utilities Commission decides whether to hold a public hearing to consider applications by 1867559 Alberta Ltd., operating as Irricana Power Generation (IPG), relating to the Irricana Solar Project, located near Beiseker, Alberta.
2. The Commission must hold a hearing if persons who have filed a statement of intent to participate in Proceeding 25170 have demonstrated that they have rights that may be “directly and adversely affected” by the Commission’s decision. Such a person may participate fully in the hearing, including giving evidence, questioning of witnesses, and providing argument. This permission to participate is referred to as standing.
3. The Commission issued a notice of applications for Proceeding 25170 on January 9, 2020. The Commission received two statements of intent to participate from Brent Shaw and Regine Landry.
4. The Commission has authorized me to communicate its decision on standing.

**Ruling**

5. The Commission is satisfied that Brent Shaw and Regine Landry have demonstrated that they have legal rights that may be directly and adversely affected by the Commission’s decision on the applications. Mr. Shaw and Ms. Landry own land in close proximity to the proposed project and have demonstrated that the Commission’s decision on the application has the potential to result in a direct and adverse effect on them. The potential effects described by these persons include proximity of the project, health effects, interference with agricultural operations, solar glare effects, property values, visual effects, water effects, and effects on the environment.

**Costs**

6. Persons who have been granted standing are eligible to potentially recover the costs of their participation in this proceeding. Rule 009: *Rules on Local Intervener Costs* applies to costs claims for this proceeding.
7. The Commission emphasizes that eligibility to claim costs does not guarantee recovery of those costs. Any claims for costs must be filed after this proceeding is concluded, in accordance

with Rule 009. Cost recovery is subject to the Commission assessing the value of parties' contribution to the proceeding, and in accordance with the guidance provided in Section 7 of Rule 009, the Commission may consider whether an intervener submitted evidence and argument on issues that were not relevant to the proceeding.

### **Schedule**

8. The Commission has scheduled the following submission deadlines. Mr. Shaw and Ms. Landry shall file their submissions on or before **March 13, 2020**. These submissions should include both evidence and argument in support of their positions that the Commission should consider.
9. IPG shall have an opportunity to file submissions in response to any filings from Mr. Shaw and Ms. Landry. IPG's submission should include its rebuttal argument and supporting evidence and be filed on or before **March 20, 2020**.
10. If you have any additional questions please contact the undersigned at 403-592-4394 or by email at [meghan.anderson@auc.ab.ca](mailto:meghan.anderson@auc.ab.ca).

Yours truly,

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