

November 7, 2011

**Athabasca Area Telecommunications Upgrade – Weasel Creek Telecommunications Tower
Location change update**

Dear stakeholder,

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Athabasca Area Telecommunications Upgrade. This letter is to provide you with an update about a location change we are proposing for the Weasel Creek telecommunications tower.

If you are receiving information about this project for the first time, your land is adjacent to the new proposed location of the tower and we want your input. We have included the project newsletter that was mailed to stakeholders in July 2011 in this package. The July 2011 newsletter explains in detail the background of the Athabasca Area Telecommunications Upgrade and provides information about the Weasel Creek telecommunications tower. However please note that the location of the Weasel Creek telecommunications tower has changed from that identified in the July 2011 materials and details of the new location of the proposed tower site can be found below.

If your land is no longer within 800 metres of the proposed location of the Weasel Creek telecommunications tower, you may not receive any further information about this project. If you would still like to follow the status of the project, you are welcome to contact us at anytime. Our contact information is at the end of this letter.

Location change update

In our July stakeholder package we proposed to locate the Weasel Creek Telecommunications Tower at SW-6-61-19-W4M on property owned by Enbridge Pipelines Inc., adjacent to AltaLink's proposed Abee Substation.

Based on stakeholder feedback, we are now proposing to build the tower approximately 1 kilometre (0.6 miles) northwest of that location at NW-6-61-19-W4M. The new proposed location was determined with stakeholders to have a lower overall impact than the previous location. Please see the map included in this package to view the new proposed location for the Weasel Creek telecommunications tower.

The proposed Weasel Creek telecommunications tower:

- will be approximately 85 metres (280 feet) tall
- will be supported with guy wires
- have a triangular base of approximately 1.5 metres; and
- will have lighting and be painted to comply with Transport Canada's requirements

Next steps

In the coming weeks, we will contact all occupants, residents and landowners who are on or directly adjacent to the new telecommunications tower location to gather input through one-on-one

consultations. During the one-on-one process we will document the information you provide and address any questions or concerns you may have about the project.

After our consultation process is complete, we will file an amendment for this site to the Athabasca Area Telecommunications Upgrade project with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC). The AUC will review the amendment through a process in which stakeholders can participate.

We will notify stakeholders when we file the amendment and again once the AUC has reached a decision. To learn more about the AUC process and how you can become involved, please refer to the brochure included in the attached package titled *Public Involvement in Needs or Facilities Applications*.

Anticipated project schedule

Notify and consult with stakeholders	Fall 2011
Amend application with Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)	Fall/Winter 2011
Start construction if project is approved	Spring 2012
Complete construction	Fall 2012

Although we attempt to follow the anticipated project schedule it is subject to change. We will continue to provide you with updated schedule information as the project progresses.

Your input is important to us. We are available to address any questions you have about the proposed project. Please contact us directly.

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Yours sincerely,



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Attachments:

- Stakeholder information package – July 2011
- Weasel Creek Radio Site Detail Photo (DP1) – 2011-09-28 – *Updated*