

Need for the Heritage Wind Energy Centre Connection in the Town of Pincher Creek area



FAST FACT

Alberta's electric transmission system comprises the towers, wires and related equipment that are a part of moving electricity from where it is generated to where it is used.

NextEra Canada Development & Acquisitions Inc. (NextEra) has applied to the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) for transmission system access to connect its proposed Heritage Wind Energy Centre (the Facility) in the Town of Pincher Creek area. NextEra's request can be met by the following solution:

> PROPOSED SOLUTION

- Modify the existing Fidler 312S substation, including adding one 240 kilovolt (kV) circuit breaker.
- Add a 240 kV transmission line to connect the Facility to the Fidler 312S substation.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission developments.

> NEXT STEPS

- In early 2018, the AESO intends to submit a needs identification document (NID) to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) for approval.
- Once submitted, the NID will be posted on the AESO's website at www.aeso.ca/grid/projects/

The following organizations have key roles and responsibilities in providing access to the transmission system:

> THE AESO:

- Must plan the transmission system and enable access to it for generators and other qualified customers.
- Is regulated by the AUC and must apply to the AUC for approval of its NID.

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- Is the transmission facility owner in the Town of Pincher Creek area
- Is responsible for detailed siting and routing, constructing, operating and maintaining the associated transmission facilities
- Is regulated by the AUC and must apply to the AUC for approval of its transmission facilities applications

> CONTACT US

We appreciate your views, both on the need for transmission system development and proposed transmission plans. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us directly.

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