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ENGIE Buffalo Trail North Wind Connection Notice of application filing

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the ENGIE Buffalo Trail North Wind Connection project. AltaLink submitted an application for the Project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on April 1, 2022.

Project background

ENGIE Development Canada LP (ENGIE) is proposing to build a new substation and transmission line for their proposed Buffalo Trail North Wind project. To connect their proposed facility to the grid, modifications to AltaLink's existing transmission line (called 983L) and a new fibre optic cable are required.

Although AltaLink's project is required to facilitate the connection of ENGIE's project, it is a separate project. AltaLink's proposed Project is located in Cypress County, in SW-5-11-4 W4, approximately 15 kilometres southeast of the City of Medicine Hat.

To accommodate the connection, AltaLink is proposing to construct approximately 215 metres (m) of 240 kV single-circuit transmission line from ENGIE's proposed Substation to AltaLink's existing 983L transmission line.

The proposed transmission structures:

- will be one, two, or three pole structures, that may require guy wires;
- will be between 20 and 50 m tall, depending on the number of structures required; and
- will require approximately 25 m right-of-way width.

AltaLink will also install approximately 395 m of new underground fibre optic telecommunications cable. A portion of the cable will be buried within the 983L right-of-way and a segment will be buried on private land.

Next steps

The AUC will review the application and can approve, approve with conditions, or deny the project. The AUC may also host a hearing regarding the project. To learn more about the AUC process and how you can become involved please visit www.auc.ab.ca.

Where construction activities are required to take place on private property, AltaLink will contact you in advance to discuss the specific dates and times access will be required to your property.

The application

The application can be viewed on the AUC's website at <https://www2.auc.ab.ca/Proceeding27290/SitePages/Home.aspx>

To access the application, click on the 'eFiling System Login' button on the top of the page and log in to your eFiling account. If you do not have an account, select 'New Account' and follow the steps onscreen. Please note any questions or concerns regarding account creation and management should be directed towards the AUC at info@auc.ab.ca.

Once your account has been created and you have successfully logged in, enter Filing number “27290” into the ‘Go to...’ search bar on the top of the page to locate the application. Alternatively, you can navigate to ‘Find’, click ‘Proceedings’ and enter “ENGIE” into the ‘Description’ search bar.

If you have any issues accessing the application, please contact AltaLink at the details provided below, and a copy of the application will be mailed to you.

Contact us

AltaLink is available to address any questions or concerns you may have. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available at <https://www.altalink.ca/projects/view/370/engie-buffalo-trail-north-wind-connection>.

Sincerely,

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