



August 19, 2011

To: Landowners, Occupants, Agencies and Interested Parties

**Re: Eastern Alberta DC Transmission Line
Potential Route Options, Townships 50 to 55 (Royal Park Area)
Update to Interested Parties**

In March 2011, ATCO Electric filed a Preferred Route and Alternative Route Segments with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) for the Eastern Alberta DC Transmission Line, a 500-kilovolt (kV) direct current (DC) power line between the Gibbons-Redwater and Brooks areas. As part of our ongoing consultations to resolve the concerns of landowners and other interested parties, we undertook to examine the feasibility of suggested route options in the area west of Vegreville. Since late April we have conducted further assessment, and identified feedback and concerns through consultations primarily with landowners directly on or adjacent to the potential route options.

Based on our assessments to date, we have determined that a 35-kilometre portion of the potential route options has sufficient merit to warrant further consideration and possible inclusion in our Application to the AUC. That portion is shown as the Potential Route Option on the enclosed reference map (Map RM-A02b-R1). Subject to final assessments, including the completion of notification and consultation with additional parties within 800 metres of the right-of-way for that portion, ATCO Electric intends to make a final decision on the Potential Route Option by early September. If we decide to file the route as an option for the AUC to consider (Application No. 1607153, Proceeding ID No. 1069), we will file it by early to mid-September 2011. Whether or not we file it, we will inform the potentially affected parties of our decision.

The enclosed reference map also shows the following:

- Portions of potential route options that are no longer being considered. We would like to thank the landowners along those segments for the information and feedback we received.
- Two short route segments labelled "Preferred Route (July-Aug. 2011)", where the alignment of the Preferred Route has been adjusted based on further consultations with the landowners on specific properties. These will be submitted to the AUC after we have notified those on neighbouring properties.

Also enclosed are diagrams and a local map (or maps) showing the alignment of the Preferred Route and Potential Route Option, and a reply form for the convenience of those wishing to contact us.

For those within 800 metres of the Potential Route Option or the adjusted route segments who have not been consulted already, we will be attempting to contact them in the near future.

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We value your input. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our project team (see contact details at bottom of previous page).

Information about the project is also available by visiting our website at www.atcoelectric.com.
Information about the application to the AUC is available at the AUC web site at www.auc.ab.ca.

Yours truly,



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Enclosures (all recipients):

- Reference map
- Consultation map(s)
- Alignment diagrams
- Reply form and envelope

Additional Enclosures (recipients new to project):

- Project background information