



July 20, 2011

To: Landowners, Occupants, Agencies and Interested Parties

**Re: Eastern Alberta DC Transmission Line
Proposed Route Adjustments, Forestburg Area
Townships 40 to 42-Ranges 15 & 16-W4M**

In March 2011, ATCO Electric submitted a Preferred Route and Alternative Route Segments to 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. Since then, some potential route options have been identified in the area west of Forestburg, based on suggestions and feedback from landowners. ATCO Electric has examined the feasibility of the potential route options, has consulted the landowners most directly affected by those options, and is planning to incorporate certain segments into the Preferred Route for the proposed transmission line. The new segments are shown in blue ["Preferred Route (July 2011)"] on the attached maps.

This is to notify landowners and other interested parties within 800 metres of the right-of-way about the proposed transmission line adjustments. ATCO Electric is planning to file the adjusted route segments with the AUC in early August 2011. **Please contact us if you have any questions, comments or concerns about these route adjustments** (see contact details below).

Details of the adjustments are as follows.

1. **CDpr207 to CDpr211 – Preferred Route is shifted north one mile (1.6 kilometres).**

Starting at node CDpr207 (Section 11-42-16-W4M), the previous Preferred Route that followed quarter lines south for 1.6 kilometres then east for 3.2 kilometres (CDpr207 to C208 to CDpr211) is replaced by a new Preferred Route segment that follows quarter lines east for 3.2 kilometres then south for 1.6 kilometres (CDpr207 to CDpr209 to CDpr211). These route segments are shown on the attached Map CM-34-R1. The adjusted route is more closely aligned with property boundaries (quarter lines) and helps reduce potential impacts on agricultural operations.

2. **CDpr211 to CDz229 – Preferred Route is shifted west one mile (1.6 kilometres).**

Starting at node CDpr211 (NE 6-42-15-W4M) a new Preferred Route goes south along quarter lines for 11.4 kilometres to CDpr225, then southeast and east for 3.4 kilometres to CDz229 (S½ 33-40-15-W4M). The previous Preferred Route segments (following quarter lines from CDpr211 east to CDi213, south to CDi223, east to CD225, then south to CDz229) are retained as Alternative Route Segments, but are no longer part of the Preferred Route. These route segments are shown on attached Maps CM-34-R1, CM-35W-R1 and CM-35A-R1. The new alignment increases the overall separation from residences on adjacent properties and is about 0.6 kilometres shorter compared to the previous Preferred Route.

Information about the project is available by visiting our website at www.atcoelectric.com, or by contacting the project team (see contact details on previous page). Information about the application to the AUC (Application No. 1607153, Proceeding ID No. 1069) is available at the AUC web site at www.auc.ab.ca.

Yours truly,



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Attachments

- Maps RM2-02d, CM-34-R1, CM-35W-R1 and CM-35A-R1
- Alignment Diagrams sheet
- AUC brochure *Public Involvement in Needs or Facilities Applications*
- Reply form and envelope