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Notice of hearing Oyen Wind Power Project

RES Oyen Wind GP Corp. has filed applications for a wind power plant and a substation located in Special Area No. 3

Proceeding 29377 Applications 29377-A001 and 29377-A002

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be holding a hearing to review the applications and submissions received to consider the power plant and substation development applications in Proceeding 29377.

Written evidence is due April 10, 2025, at 4 p.m.

A virtual oral hearing is scheduled to commence on June 9, 2025, at 9 a.m.

RES Oyen Wind GP Corp. has applied to construct and operate a 466-megawatt (MW) wind power plant, the associated Tumbleweed 1043S Substation and collector lines, designated as the Oyen Wind Power Project. The project would consist of two phases. Phase 1 would include a maximum of 45 turbines for a generation capacity of 250 MW and Phase 2 would include a maximum of 38 turbines for a generation capacity of 216 MW. The applications have been filed under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*.

Additional information about the applications

The applications and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website <u>www.auc.ab.ca</u>. Basic information about the Oyen Wind Power Project can be found on the AUC website under <u>Applications > Featured applications</u>. Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

RES Oyen Wind GP Corp. Marika Gibson Phone: 403-969-1923 Email: marika.gibson@res-group.com

Hearing

The Commission will host a virtual oral hearing, commencing on June 9, 2025, at 9 a.m. The virtual oral hearing will be held remotely using a video conferencing platform. Participants are responsible for ensuring that they have access to all documentary evidence filed on the record of the proceeding, either through the eFiling System or in their preferred format. Further information about the virtual hearing process will be issued separately. The Commission will also hold a test session on May 28, 2025, at 1 p.m., so that any technological issues can be

detected and resolved in advance of the hearing. All hearing participants should participate in the test session. Commission staff will contact the hearing participants and will send email invitations that include the link to access the test session and hearing.

Participating in the hearing

If you intend to present evidence at the hearing, you must submit your written evidence by **April 10, 2025**, and be present at the commencement of the hearing. Your written evidence should include your statement about your intended level of participation, including whether you or your representative will:

- Attend the hearing.
- Cross-examine any of the applicant's witness panels.

Written evidence can be reports prepared by experts or written information (including maps, charts, photographs and narrative statements) prepared by an intervener personally, and clearly identified as such. Any report that was prepared by an expert, and which is being filed in support of an intervener's position, must clearly state the qualifications of the expert and the name of the intervener who directed that the report was to be prepared. Please be aware that the author of any report or other written evidence that an intervener expects the Commission to rely upon must be available to be cross-examined at the hearing.

The AUC intends to follow a streamlined approach to facilitate the most efficient use of the oral hearing and will do this after it receives interveners' evidence. This will include scoping out issues from the oral hearing where the Commission is satisfied that the written evidentiary record is sufficient and limiting oral hearing time. Scoping out issues from the oral hearing means limiting issues that can be explored at the hearing and that parties will not have an opportunity to orally cross-examine on these issues. There will also be time limits for direct evidence and cross-examination.

Accordingly, parties should ensure, to the extent possible, that they have sufficiently tested the evidence on the record through the written information request process. This does not limit the issues that may be discussed in argument.

For more information about how you may become involved in this proceeding, please contact us or visit our website and review the information under "Get involved." The lead application officer, Sophie Jiang, can also be contacted at 403-592-4418 or email your questions to <u>sophie.jiang@auc.ab.ca</u>.

Submissions

If you wish to participate in this proceeding and have not yet filed a statement of intent to participate, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 29377, and register to participate under the "registered parties" tab. For guidance on how to use the eFiling System, please visit <u>www.auc.ab.ca/how-to-use-efiling</u>. Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC (310-4282) in Alberta or <u>info@auc.ab.ca</u> for more information or assistance with filing your submission.

Only parties that have filed participation submissions and have been granted standing may be eligible for funding and to fully participate in the hearing.

Privacy

To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available to anyone registered in this proceeding. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of filing your submission.

Summarized process schedule

The Commission has established the following process to consider the applications:

Process step	Date*
Deadline for interveners to file information requests	March 13, 2025
(questions) to the applicant	
Applicant's deadline to respond to information requests	March 27, 2025
Interveners' written evidence deadline	April 10, 2025
Information requests to interveners about intervener evidence	April 29, 2025
Interveners' deadline to respond to information requests	May 12, 2025
Applicant's reply evidence deadline	May 26, 2025
Test session for virtual oral hearing	May 28, 2025, 1 p.m.
Commencement of hearing	June 9, 2025, 9 a.m.

* All submissions are due by 4 p.m.

Issued on March 4, 2025.

Alberta Utilities Commission

