

Notice of hearing

East Ring Enhancement Project – Transmission Lines 30L and 40L Rebuild

The City of Medicine Hat has filed an application to rebuild transmission lines located in the Medicine Hat area

**Proceeding 29538
Application 29538-A001**

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be holding a hearing to review the application and submissions received to consider the electric transmission development application in Proceeding 29538.

Written evidence is due March 28, 2025.

A virtual oral hearing is scheduled to commence on June 2, 2025, at 10 a.m.

The City of Medicine Hat has applied to rebuild approximately 20 kilometres of existing 69-kilovolt (kV) transmission lines 30L and 40L between the NE Crescent Heights MHS-5 Substation and the Southridge MHS-3 Substation. The City proposed to rebuild the lines at a 138-kV standard but to initially operate the lines at 69 kV. The application has been filed under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*.

Additional information about the application

The application and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website www.auc.ab.ca. Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the application, please contact:

City of Medicine Hat
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Participant information session

The AUC holds information sessions to provide information about how to have your say and become involved in its proceedings. The AUC is prepared to provide a telephone or virtual session to provide information about how you may become involved in this proceeding and the funding which may be available to you to support your position, which includes costs for legal representation and expert witnesses. The project and its merits will not be discussed at this

session. The virtual information session is scheduled for **Friday, February 7, 2025, at 6 p.m.** Please contact the lead application officer, Dan Burton, at 403-592-4491 or dan.burton@auc.ab.ca by **January 31, 2025**, if you want to participate in the information session.

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.”

New participant submissions

If you wish to participate in this proceeding and have not yet been granted standing, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 29538, and register to participate under the “registered parties” tab. For guidance on how to use the eFiling System, please visit www.auc.ab.ca/how-to-use-efiling. Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC (310-4282) in Alberta or info@auc.ab.ca for more information or assistance with filing your submission.

Submissions must include your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and a description of how you, your land, your business, or your activities may be affected by the proposed project. Please also briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

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.

Hearing

The AUC will host a virtual oral hearing, commencing on **June 2, 2025, at 10 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.

Participating in the hearing

If you intend to present evidence at the hearing, you must submit your written evidence by **March 28, 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.

Summarized process schedule

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

Process step	Date*
Interveners' information requests (questions) to applicant deadline	February 28, 2025
Applicant's deadline to respond to information requests	March 14, 2025
Interveners' written evidence deadline	March 28, 2025
Information requests to interveners about intervener evidence	April 11, 2025
Interveners' deadline to respond to information requests	April 25, 2025
Applicant's reply evidence deadline	May 9, 2025
Commencement of hearing	June 2, 2025, 10 a.m.

* All submissions are due by 4 p.m.

Issued on January 17, 2025.

Alberta Utilities Commission

