

Notice of hearing

Eastervale Solar Project

Eastervale Solar Inc. has filed applications for a solar power plant and a substation in the Municipal District of Provost No. 52

Proceeding 30067 Applications 30067-A001 and 30067-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 solar power plant and substation development applications in Proceeding 30067.

Written evidence is due September 24, 2025.

Eastervale Solar Inc. has applied to construct and operate a 300-megawatt solar power plant located in portions of eight quarter sections, approximately 10 kilometres southwest of the village of Hughenden.

Quarter	Section	Township	Range	Meridian
NW	25	39	8	4
NW	35	39	8	4
SW	35	39	8	4
SE	35	39	8	4
SW	36	39	8	4
NW	2	40	8	4
SW	2	40	8	4
SW	11	40	8	4

Eastervale Solar Inc. has also applied to construct and operate the Eastervale 1090S Substation located in the northwest quarter of Section 2, Township 40, Range 8, west of the Fourth Meridian. 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 www.auc.ab.ca. Basic information about the Eastervale Solar Project can be found on the AUC website under “Applications > Featured applications.”

Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

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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 virtual information session about options for participating in this proceeding and the local intervener funding that may be available to you to support your participation. The AUC has scheduled an information session on **August 7, 2025, at 3 p.m.** Please contact the lead application officer, Victor Choy, by email at victor.choy@auc.ab.ca by **August 5, 2025**, if you want to participate in an 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.”

Hearing

The Commission will host a virtual oral hearing, commencing on **November 17, 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. The Commission will also hold a test session on **November 12, 2025, at 2 p.m.**, so that any technological issues can be detected and resolved in advance of the hearing. All hearing participants are required to 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 **September 24, 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.

This project was previously considered in Proceeding 28847, and many of the same parties are participating in this proceeding. For cost and time efficiency, relevant and applicable evidence filed in Proceeding 28847 can be refiled and relied upon in this proceeding.

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 be time limits for cross-examination and direct evidence. 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.

New participant submissions

If you wish to participate in this proceeding, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 30067, and register to participate under the "registered parties" tab. You will be prompted to fill out a statement of intent to participate. 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 statement of intent to participate.

Statements of intent to participate 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.

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 registering to participate.

Summarized process schedule

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

Process step	Date*
AUC virtual information session (if requested)	August 7, 2025, 3 p.m.
Interveners' information requests (questions) to applicant deadline	August 27, 2025
Applicant's deadline to respond to information requests	September 10, 2025
Interveners' written evidence deadline	September 24, 2025
Information requests to interveners about intervenor evidence deadline	October 8, 2025
Interveners' deadline to respond to information requests	October 22, 2025
Applicant's reply evidence deadline	November 5, 2025
Hearing test session	November 12, 2025, 2 p.m.
Commencement of hearing	November 17, 2025, 10 a.m.

* All submissions are due by 4 p.m.

Issued on July 30, 2025.

Alberta Utilities Commission

