

November 4, 2025

To: Parties currently registered in Proceeding 30067

**Eastervale Solar Inc.
Eastervale Solar Project
Proceeding 30067
Applications 30067-A001 and 30067-A002**

Ruling on abeyance request from Eastervale Solar Inc.

1. On November 1, 2025, Eastervale Solar Inc. (ESI) requested that the Alberta Utilities Commission place this proceeding into abeyance, suspend all associated deadlines and impose a requirement for ESI to file a project update by April 30, 2026, pursuant to sections 17.1(a) and 29.1 of Rule 001: *Rules of Practice*.¹
2. ESI has requested that the proceeding be placed in abeyance for a few reasons, including economic uncertainty in the Alberta power industry which makes it difficult for power generation project developers to proceed with costly hearing processes and obtain power purchase agreements with potential buyers, and uncertainty with North American credit markets. Changes with Alberta's Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction system, and expected policies in Alberta on reuse and recycling of solar panels, would have the potential to materially impact project economics.²
3. Further, the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) is conducting engagement on Independent System Operator (ISO) rules and operational details for Alberta's restructured energy market (REM) and ESI wishes to align its abeyance updates with the AESO's engagement timelines to provide the Commission with a more informed update on this project.
4. The Commission has instructed me to communicate the following.
5. The Commission considers the abeyance request to be reasonable. The Commission grants ESI's abeyance request and adjourns the remaining process steps in this proceeding to April 30, 2026, except the interim costs applications as set out below.
6. Given the length of the abeyance and that most process steps have been concluded, the Commission will allow the interveners an opportunity to file applications for interim costs, on a refundable basis, by **November 18, 2025**, should they wish to do. ESI may file a response by **November 25, 2025**. Any interim costs applications will be considered by the Commission under Section 4 of Rule 009: *Rules on Local Intervener Costs*.³

¹ Exhibit 30067-X0142, ESI Letter re Request for Abeyance.

² Exhibit 30067-X0142, ESI Letter re Request for Abeyance.

³ Rule 009: *Rules on Local Intervener Costs* (effective March 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025).

7. ESI shall file a project update on or before **April 30, 2026**, to either request to resume the proceeding or file a notice of withdrawal if the project will not proceed.

8. Should you have any questions about the matters addressed in this ruling, please contact the undersigned by email at peju.anozie@auc.ab.ca, or Victor Choy, lead application officer, at 403-592-4439 or by email at victor.choy@auc.ab.ca.

Yours truly,

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