Noteworthy AUC and ISO Rule Changes

A summary of the noteworthy AUC and ISO Rule changes are outlined below.

Agency	Rule	Summary
AUC	Rule 005: Annual Reporting Requirements of Financial and Operational Results	Utilities no longer have to provide the following information on their annual financial and operation reports: (i) general rates application (GRA) and general tariff application (GTA) approved forecast information, and (ii) variance calculations between actual/normalized and approved forecast.
AUC	Rule 007: Applications for Power Plants, Substations, Transmission Lines, Industrial System Designations, Hydro Developments and Gas Utility Pipelines	Amendments intended to clarify application requirements, including for wind, solar and battery storage applications. They also provide additional guidance with respect to the requirements for consultation with Indigenous communities. Amendments also streamline applications for approval amendments, time extensions and approval transfer applications.
AUC	Rule 016: Review of Commission Decisions	In response to the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in Canada (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration) v. Vavilov, the AUC amended Rule 016 to: - limit the scope of the AUC's review process by removing errors of law as a ground for review; - change the filing deadline for review and variance applications from 60 to 30 days after the initial decision is issued; and - introduce page limits for applications and reply submissions.
AUC	Rule 019: Specified Penalties for Contraventions of ISO Rules	Utilities no longer have to provide the following information on their annual financial and operation reports: (i) general rates application (GRA) and general tariff application (GTA) approved forecast information, and (ii) variance calculations between actual/normalized and approved
AESO	ISO Rules s. 505.2 – Performance Assessment for Refund of Generating Unit Owner's Contribution	Section 505.2 was amended to introduce new performance assessment methodology in response to changes to the ISO tariff. Following the recent approval of the ISO tariff, s. 505.2 requires updates to include the AESO's new method for calculating generating unit owner's contribution (GUOC), the revised GUOC rates, and new terms for payment of the GUOC. The amendments introduce a new binary approach for assessing the performance of a generating unit, which assesses the performance based on the generating unit's metered energy.
AESO	ISO Rules s. 306.7 – Mothball Outage Rule	On November 4, 2021, the AESO released the Mothball Outage Reporting Rule Amendment Options & Recommendations Paper. Consultation remains ongoing in 2022.
AESO	ISO Rule Amendments to facilitate the integration of energy storage	While the AESO does not have a definitive list of ISO Rules that will be amended by the proposed amendments, it anticipates that more than 30 ISO Rules may be impacted in order to address various matters, including: - market participation; - fast frequency response; - technical, qualification and connection requirements; - adjustment to load on the margin; and - opportunities to reduce red tape. AESO anticipates posting draft proposed amendments for stakeholder feedback in Q1 2022.

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