NOTICE OF SPECIFIED PENALTY				
Date of Issue: March 30, 2022			Payment Due Date: May 2, 2022	
MSA File Number	RS2022-023	Specified Penalty Amount <sup>1</sup>	\$2,250	
Registered Entity Name	Imperial Oil Resources Limited			
Reliability Standard	PRC-005-AB1-6 PRC-005-AB2-6 <sup>2</sup>	Self-Report	☐ YES ⊠ NO	
Requirement	R1	Accepted Mitigation Plan	⊠ YES □ NO	
Date of Referral/Self Report	January 24, 2022	Date of Contravention	October 1, 2019 until mitigation complete	

#### **EVENT DETAILS**

Pursuant to the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) Alberta Reliability Standards 2021-2023 Audit Schedule, the AESO conducted a Q3/2021 compliance monitoring audit of Imperial Oil Resources Limited (IOR). The applicable audit period with respect to PRC-005-AB1-6 and PRC-005-AB2-6 extended from October 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021. The MSA finds that PRC-005-AB1-6 and PRC-005-AB2-6 were contravened as follows:

From October 1, 2019 until mitigation plan complete, IOR did not provide any evidence of having a documented protection system maintenance program in accordance with requirement R1.

PRC-005-AB1-6 and PRC-005-AB2-6 state, in part:

R1 Each legal owner of a transmission facility, legal owner of a generating unit, and legal owner of an aggregated generating facility must establish a protection system maintenance program for its protection systems, automatic reclosing, and sudden pressure relaying.

The protection system maintenance program must:

**R1.1** identify which maintenance method (a time-based method, the performance-based method per Appendix 2, or a combination of these maintenance methods) is used to address each **protection system**, automatic reclosing, and sudden pressure relaying component type (as identified in Appendix 1). All batteries associated with the station dc supply component type of a **protection system** must be included in a time-based program as described in Table 1-4 and Table 3 of Appendix 1.

**R1.2** include the applicable monitored component attributes applied to each **protection system**, automatic reclosing, and sudden pressure relaying component type consistent with the maintenance intervals specified in Tables 1-1 through 1-5, Table 2, Table 3, Tables 4-1 through 4-3, and Table 5 of Appendix 1, where monitoring is used to extend the maintenance intervals beyond those specified for unmonitored **protection system**, automatic reclosing, and sudden pressure relaying components.

**MR1** Evidence of having a documented protection system maintenance program in accordance with requirement R1 exists. Evidence may include, but is not limited to a documented protection system maintenance program that may include supporting information such as manufacturer's specifications or engineering drawings or other equivalent evidence.

# **FINDINGS**

Based upon the information obtained by the MSA, the MSA is satisfied that the event was a contravention of Reliability Standard PRC-005-AB1-6 and PRC-005-AB2-6, requirement R1.

## **MATERIAL FACTS**

The material facts relied upon by the MSA include the following:

- Referral from the AESO to the MSA dated January 24, 2022, including the AESO Alberta Reliability Standards
  Compliance Monitoring Audit Report regarding the Q3-2021 Compliance Monitoring Audit of Imperial Oil Resources
  Limited
- 2. Additional information provided by the AESO to the MSA on February 15, 2022 and February 17, 2022.
- 3. Mitigation Plan submitted by Imperial Oil Resources Limited to the MSA dated March 2, 2022.
- 4. Revised Mitigation Plan submitted by Imperial Oil Resources Limited to the MSA dated March 17, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Specified Penalty Amount conditional on the completion of the accepted Mitigation Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PRC-005-AB1-6 was in effect from October 1, 2019 to October 12, 2020 and PRC-005-AB2-6 took effect on October 13, 2020.

#### **DELIVERY OF PAYMENT**

Payment by cheque or certified funds is to be made payable to the "General Revenue Fund c/o Minister of Finance", and delivered to Alberta Energy at: 9945 – 108 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2G6. The payment should reference this Notice of Specified Penalty and related MSA File #. Electronic copies of the payment and confirmation of delivery should be sent by email to compliance@albertamsa.ca and enforcement@auc.ab.ca. Questions can be directed to compliance@albertamsa.ca.

## **NOTICE**

The Market Surveillance Administrator (MSA) is granted the power and authority under s. 52 of the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act* to issue a Notice of Specified Penalty where the MSA is satisfied that a person has contravened a reliability standard. Specified penalties are set out in AUC Rule 027.

In accordance with the relevant enactments and rules, a dispute regarding the issuance of a Notice of Specified Penalty or failure to pay the specified penalty in accordance with this notice will result in a hearing or other proceeding before the AUC.

In accordance with s. 5(1) of AUC Rule 027 this Notice of Specified Penalty will be made public no earlier than receipt of confirmation of payment from the Commission and no later than 45 days after issuance. The MSA will, if applicable, also post on its website the link to any decision of the AUC respecting the specified penalty.

If your organization disputes the issuance of this Notice of Specified Penalty, or if you have any other questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact the MSA compliance team at <a href="mailto:compliance@albertamsa.ca">compliance@albertamsa.ca</a>.

SIGNATURE				
Signature	"Original Signed"	Signature Date	March 30, 2022	
Name	Derek Olmstead	Title	Administrator & CEO	