

NOTICE OF SPECIFIED PENALTY

Date of Issue: January 2, 2026		Payment Due Date: February 2, 2026	
MSA File Number	RS2025-131	Specified Penalty Amount¹	\$ 7,500
Market Participant Name	BER Hand Hills Wind LP		
Reliability Standard	VAR-002-AB-4.1	Self-Report	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
Requirement	R3	Accepted Mitigation Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Date of Referral/Self Report	August 7, 2025	Date of Contravention	October 23, 2023

MSA FINDINGS

Requirement R3 of VAR-002-AB-4.1 states:

R3 Each operator of a generating unit and operator of an aggregated generating facility must notify the ISO within 30 minutes after a status or control mode change of the automatic voltage regulator, voltage regulating system, alternative voltage controlling device or power system stabilizer, as applicable, on any generating unit or aggregated generating facility.

R3.1 If the status or control mode has been restored within 30 minutes of such change, then the operator of a generating unit or operator of an aggregated generating facility is not required to notify the ISO of the status or control mode change.

R3.2 If a generating unit or an aggregated generating facility is in testing, start-up, shut-down or offline mode, requirement R3 does not apply.

R3.3 If a generating unit or an aggregated generating facility is operating below the safe and stable level for power system stabilizer operation, then the operator of a generating unit or operator of an aggregated generating facility is not required to notify the ISO of a change in status of the power system stabilizer caused by the low output level of the generating unit or aggregated generating facility.

The MSA is satisfied that BER Hand Hills Wind LP contravened R3 of VAR-002-AB-4.1 in the instances referred by the AESO and as presented in the 2025-A04-BRHH audit report.

DELIVERY OF PAYMENT

Payment can be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT). Please reach out to compliance@albertamsa.ca for instructions. When submitting the EFT, please send an email to AU.FinOps@gov.ab.ca, compliance@albertamsa.ca and enforcement@auc.ab.ca noting the MSA file #, market participant name, name as appears on bank account, payment amount and the date of the payment. 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 an Alberta 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 compliance@albertamsa.ca.

APPROVED BY

Daniela Cismaru - Advisor, Reliability Standards, November 14, 2025

¹ Specified penalty amount conditional on the completion of the accepted Mitigation Plan.