

NOTICE TO MARKET PARTICIPANTS AND STAKEHOLDERS

March 21, 2025

RE: RoLR Stakeholder Consultation Timeline Amendments

BACKGROUND

On March 14, 2025, the MSA released its Draft of the Parameters for Acceptable Financial Performance under the Rate of Last Resort Regulation (Draft Parameters)¹ and draft Appendix C Data Submissions Workbook (Data Submissions Workbook).² The MSA requested interested participants provide written comment on the MSA's Draft Parameters and draft Data Submissions Workbook by 5:00 p.m., March 28, 2025 (stakeholder comment deadline).³

REQUESTS FROM ROLR PROVIDERS

The MSA has received requests from Rate of Last Resort (RoLR) providers for a two-week extension to the original stakeholder comment deadline. Additionally, RoLR providers have requested technical sessions where the MSA can answer questions about the Draft Parameters.

CHANGE TO STAKEHOLDER COMMENT DEADLINE

The MSA grants the request for a two-week extension to the stakeholder comment deadline and now requests interested participants provide written comment on the MSA's Draft Parameters and Data Submissions Workbook by **5:00 p.m., April 11, 2025**.

Written responses must be submitted to MSAStakeholderConsultation@albertamsa.ca. The MSA intends to publish written responses shortly after this deadline.

VIRTUAL TECHNICAL SESSIONS

The MSA continues to believe transparency is critical to ensure confidence in its Stakeholder Consultation Process. This ensures all market participants know what informed the establishment of the MSA's parameters and financial performance reporting. However, the MSA understands some RoLR providers have questions pertaining to the application of the Draft Parameters to their energy price setting plans (EPSPs). Further, the MSA recognizes that the EPSPs may contain confidential elements that cannot be discussed in a public forum.

¹ [DRAFT – Parameters for Acceptable Financial Performance under the Rate of Last Resort Regulation](#).

² [DRAFT – Appendix C Data Submissions Workbook](#).

³ [Notice Re: Parameters for Acceptable Financial Performance under the Rate of Last Resort Regulation](#), p. 5.

To answer questions RoLR providers may have, the MSA will optionally host one-hour closed technical sessions with RoLR providers on **Monday, March 31, 2025, and Tuesday, April 1, 2025**. The MSA will produce and post a public summary of each technical session. These summaries will not contain confidential information pertaining to the RoLR provider or its EPSP and will not name the RoLR providers in attendance. The MSA views this as a reasonable means for it to answer questions about the application of its Draft Parameters to confidential components of EPSPs while ensuring market participants and stakeholders have a full picture of what informed the establishment of its parameters and financial performance reporting.

Any RoLR provider may request a technical session on its own or as a group. If a group session is requested, all participating RoLR providers must agree in advance. To ensure appropriate focus in the technical sessions, RoLR providers must confidentially provide written questions to the MSA in advance of their technical session.

A RoLR provider or group of RoLR providers may request a technical session by contacting the MSA at MSAStakeholderConsultation@albertamsa.ca by **12:00 p.m., Thursday, March 27, 2025**. When requesting a technical session, RoLR providers must provide:

1. the names and email addresses of all attendees;
2. your preferred date (Monday, March 31, 2025, or Tuesday, April 1, 2025) and time(s) for the technical session; and
3. written questions about the Draft Parameters and/or draft Data Submissions Workbook.

Discussion at a technical session is not a substitute for the written comments that are requested by April 11.