

## NOTICE TO MARKET PARTICIPANTS AND STAKEHOLDERS

Date: November 7, 2013

**Re:** Framework for the Assessment of Market Harm - Draft

As part of its ongoing stakeholder consultation, the MSA is releasing a draft <u>Framework for the Assessment of Market Harm</u> along with the <u>MSA's response</u> to stakeholder comments received on the 'strawdog'. Stakeholder Comments were posted to the MSA website on September <u>16</u> and <u>17</u>, 2013.

The draft framework includes some minor edits to clarify the scope of the framework and an appendix intended to provide an example to of the possible transfers and efficiency losses that could be quantified.

For greater clarity, publication of a draft framework and a response to stakeholder comments are 'Draft' stage activities in the MSA's stakeholder consultation process for public projects.

Interested stakeholders are invited to submit comments to the MSA regarding the draft. Submissions are requested to be sent to stakeholderconsultation@albertamsa.ca by December 15, 2013. Following the receipt of these comments the MSA expects to be in a position to finalize the proposed framework. The steps of the consultation process, along with updated projected end dates, are summarized below.

Stage	Action	End date
Initiate	Notice of MSA stakeholder consultation,	July 31, 2013
	strawdog, and request for comments	
	Extension of deadline for comments	August 16, 2013
	Further extension of deadline for comments	September 3, 2013
Develop	Comments re: strawdog posted to MSA's	September 16 & 17,
_	website	2013
Draft	Response to comments re: strawdog (this	November 7, 2013
	document)	
	Draft framework and request for comments	November 7, 2013
Debate	Comments re: draft framework posted to MSA's	December 15, 2013
	website	
Decide	Response to comments re: draft framework and	January 27, 2014
	final publication of framework for the	
	assessment of market harm	
	End of consultation	

We appreciate your participation in these matters.

Yours Truly,

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