NOTICE OF SPECIFIED PENALTY									
Date of Issue: July 19, 2024		Payment Due Date: August 19, 2024							
MSA File Number	RS2024-117	Specified Penalty	\$7,500						
Market Participant Name	City of Medicine Hat	Amount <sup>1</sup>							
Reliability Standard	COM-001-AB1-1.1	Self-Report	⊠ YES □ NO						
Requirement	R2	Accepted Mitigation Plan	⊠ YES □ NO						
Date of Self Report	October 25, 2023	Date of Contravention	July 18, 2020						

## **MSA FINDINGS**

The City of Medicine Hat contravened COM-001-AB1-1.1 from July 18, 2020, to March 31, 2024, as it did not document the provision of adequate, reliable, and, where applicable, diversely routed and redundant voice and message telecommunication facilities for the exchange of interconnection and Alberta operating information with the following:

- (a) each adjacent operator of a transmission facility;
- (b) each adjacent interconnected transmission operator that is directly connected to Alberta; and
- (c) the ISO,

as required by R2.

COM-001-AB1-1.1 states, in part:

R2 Each operator of a transmission facility must, as necessary to maintain reliability, provide adequate, reliable, and, where applicable, diversely routed and redundant voice and message telecommunication facilities for the exchange of interconnection and Alberta operating information with the following:

- (a) each adjacent operator of a transmission facility;
- (b) each adjacent interconnected transmission operator that is directly connected to Alberta; and
- (c) the ISO.

MR2 Evidence of providing voice and message telecommunication facilities as required in requirement R2 exists. Evidence may include:

- (a) a list identifying each telecommunication facility for the exchange of interconnection and Alberta operating information; and
- (b) documentation demonstrating the implementation of diverse routing and redundancy capability, if applicable.

The MSA is satisfied that the conduct was a contravention of Reliability Standard COM-001-AB1-1.1, requirement R2.

## **DELIVERY OF PAYMENT**

Payment can be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT). Please reach out to us for instructions. When submitting the EFT, please send an email to <a href="mailto:AU.FinOps@gov.ab.ca">AU.FinOps@gov.ab.ca</a>, <a href="mailto:compliance@albertamsa.ca">compliance@albertamsa.ca</a> and <a href="mailto:enforcement@auc.ab.ca">enforcement@auc.ab.ca</a> 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 <a href="mailto:compliance@albertamsa.ca">compliance@albertamsa.ca</a>.

## 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 <a href="mailto:compliance@albertamsa.ca">compliance@albertamsa.ca</a>.

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Mark Nesbitt, Director, Enforcement on July 19, 2024

<sup>1</sup> Specified penalty amount conditional on the completion of the accepted Mitigation Plan.