

NOTICE TO MARKET PARTICIPANTS AND STAKEHOLDERS

October 1, 2024

RE: Rate of Last Resort implementation by Rural Electrification Associations and municipalities – October 7, 2024, meeting announcement

BACKGROUND

The Government of Alberta has announced that the Regulated Rate Option will transition to the Rate of Last Resort (RoLR), effective January 1, 2025. The MSA will have a role in advising RoLR providers on the development of associated Energy Price Setting Plans (EPSPs), making determinations about whether the EPSPs are fair, efficient, and openly competitive, and monitoring the profitability of RoLR rates following the implementation of EPSPs.

MEETINGS

To foster common understanding about the changes, the MSA will host regular meetings to provide information updates and to answer questions from Rural Electrification Associations and municipalities and their RoLR providers. Meetings were held on August 16, 2024¹ and the September 3, 2024.² Please note that there is a distinct process for RoLR providers regulated by the Alberta Utilities Commission.³

The next meeting will be held virtually on Monday, October 7, 2024, from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. MT. To register, please contact the MSA at <u>MSAStakeholderConsultation@albertamsa.ca</u>.

¹ MSA presentation from August 16, 2024

² MSA presentation from September 3, 2024

³ Alberta Utilities Commission Bulletin 2024-14