

June 13, 2021

To: Parties currently registered in Proceeding 26145

AltaLink Management Ltd. ATCO Electric Ltd. Nilrem to Vermilion Transmission Development Proceeding 26145 Applications 26145-A001 to 26145-A008

Fifth ruling on standing

- 1. Lyle Barss filed a statement of intent to participate in this proceeding, indicating that he owns land within 200 m of AltaLink's alternate route. He expressed concerns about how the project would interfere with his lands, and should the alternate route be chosen, wishes the Commission to consider requiring AltaLink to either bury the line just south of the 881 and 619 intersection, or cover the costs of moving the Barss' services to another part of the quarter.
- 2. The Commission's test for determining standing was set out in its previous standing rulings.¹ The Commission is satisfied that Mr. Barss has demonstrated that he has legal rights that may be directly and adversely affected by its decision on the applications, and therefore has standing to participate in this proceeding.
- 3. Given the date of filing of Mr. Barss' statement, the Commission will address the process through which Mr. Barss may participate in the virtual hearing as a preliminary matter at the beginning of the hearing, **tomorrow morning at 9 a.m**. Should parties wish to raise any concerns or require additional process to accommodate Mr. Barss' participation, the Commission can consider those submissions at that time.
- 4. If you have any questions about the matters addressed in this ruling or questions about this process, please contact Kim Macnab at kim.macnab@auc.ab.ca or 403-592-4385 or Trevor Richards at 403-592-4469 or trevor.richards@auc.ab.ca.

Yours truly,

Kim Macnab Commission Counsel

Exhibit <u>26145-X0177</u>, AUC ruling on standing; Exhibit <u>26145-X0210</u>, AUC second ruling on standing; Exhibit <u>26145-X0353</u>, AUC third ruling on standing.