



**AltaLink Management Ltd.**

**2019 Deferral Accounts Reconciliation  
Compliance Filing to Decision 25913-D01-2021  
and Decision 26278-D01-2021**

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**Alberta Utilities Commission**

Decision 26500-D02-2021

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## 1 Introduction

1. On May 13, 2021, the Alberta Utilities Commission issued its determinations<sup>1</sup> on AltaLink Management Ltd.'s 2019 projects deferral accounts reconciliation (direct assigned capital deferral account, or DACDA) compliance application related to Decision 25913-D01-2021<sup>2</sup> and Decision 26278-D01-2021.<sup>3</sup> The Commission found that AltaLink had complied with the findings and directions from decisions 25913-D01-2021 and 26278-D01-2021, and approved AltaLink's proposal to dispose of its final settlement balances for 2019 of \$2.6 million through a one-time billing to the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) as filed.

2. On June 23, 2021, AltaLink filed an addendum to Proceeding 26500 seeking approval of a one-time billing to the AESO in the amount of \$42.4 million in order to dispose of the final settlement balances approved in Decision 26278-D01-2021, AltaLink's 2016-2018 DACDA and Edmonton Region DACDA compliance application. AltaLink explained that it inadvertently omitted its request for approval to dispose of its final settlement balances for the 2016-2018 DACDA in its May 7, 2021, update to Proceeding 26500.

3. AltaLink provided the table below that shows the final settlement balances from Decision 26278-D01-2021.<sup>4</sup>

**Table 1. Updated and adjusted summary of deferral accounts**

Deferral account	Charge (refund) January 1 to December 31, 2016	Charge (refund) January 1 to December 31, 2017	Charge (refund) January 1 to December 31, 2018
	(\$ million)		
Long-term debt	(1.3)	4.7	(0.1)
Taxes other than income taxes	0.6	(3.9)	(3.2)
Annual structure payments	(0.2)	0.1	0.3
Direct assigned capital	9.0	29.4	4.1
<b>Total adjustments</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>
Interest (carrying costs)	0.0	2.9	0.0
<b>Total adjustments plus interest</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>

Source: Proceeding 26278, Exhibit 26278-X0001, application, Table 1-1, and Exhibit 26278-X0017, AML IR [information request] Responses to AUC (1-8), IR response AML-AUC2021FEB18-007(a).

<sup>1</sup> Decision 26500-D01-2021: AltaLink Management Ltd., 2019 Deferral Accounts Reconciliation Compliance Filing to Decision 25913-D01-2021 and Decision 26278-D01-2021, Proceeding 26500, May 13, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 25913-D01-2021: AltaLink Management Ltd., 2019 Projects Deferral Accounts Reconciliation Application, Proceeding 25913, March 19, 2021.

<sup>3</sup> Decision 26278-D01-2021: AltaLink Management Ltd., 2016-2018 Deferral Accounts Reconciliation Compliance with Directions from Decision 24681-D01-2020 and Decision 25369-D01-2020, Proceeding 26278, April 27, 2021.

<sup>4</sup> Decision 26278-D01-2021, paragraph 5.

4. AltaLink requests approval to dispose of the combined charge of \$42.4 million through a one-time billing to the AESO.

5. In reaching the determinations throughout this decision, the Commission has considered all relevant materials comprising the record of this proceeding, including the evidence and arguments provided by each party. Accordingly, references in this decision to specific parts of the record are intended to assist the reader in understanding the Commission's reasoning relating to a particular matter and should not be taken as an indication that the Commission did not consider all relevant portions of the record with respect to a particular matter.

## **2 Commission findings**

6. The Commission finds that AltaLink's request for approval to dispose of its final settlement balances for 2016-2018 of \$42.4 million through a one-time billing to the AESO is consistent with the findings from Decision 26278-D01-2021 and Decision 26500-D01-2021 and is approved as filed.

## **3 Order**

7. It is hereby ordered that:

- (1) AltaLink Management Ltd. is to collect \$42.4 million through a one-time billing from the Alberta Electric System Operator to dispose of its final settlement balances for 2016-2018 direct assigned capital deferral account.

Dated on June 28, 2021.

## **Alberta Utilities Commission**

*(original signed by)*

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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

## Appendix 1 – Proceeding participants

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