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1 Decision summary

1. In this decision, and for the reasons that will follow in a subsequent decision, the Alberta Utilities Commission approves an application from ENMAX Power Corporation to alter and operate Transmission Line 138-2.82L and Transmission Line 138-2.83L.

2 Introduction

2. ENMAX, under Permit and Licence U2014-244,¹ is the owner and operator of 138-kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line 138-2.82L from No. 2 Substation to No. 5 Substation, and under Permit and Licence 25352-D02-2020,² is the owner and operator of 138-kV Transmission Line 138-2.83L from No. 13 Substation to No. 2 Substation and to No. 5 Substation.

3. ENMAX filed an application with the AUC seeking approval to relocate portions of the transmission lines in the Victoria Park area of southeast Calgary.

4. ENMAX stated that the existing overhead 138-2.82L and 138-2.83L transmission lines are in conflict with the City of Calgary's Green Line Light Rail Transit (LRT) project and 6th Street Underpass project. ENMAX proposed to relocate the transmission lines as shown in Figure 1.

¹ Transmission Line Permit and Licence U2014-244, Proceeding 3276, Application 1610647-1, July 16, 2014.

 ² Transmission Line Permit and Licence 25352-D02-2020, Proceeding 25352, Application 25352-A001, May 26, 2020.

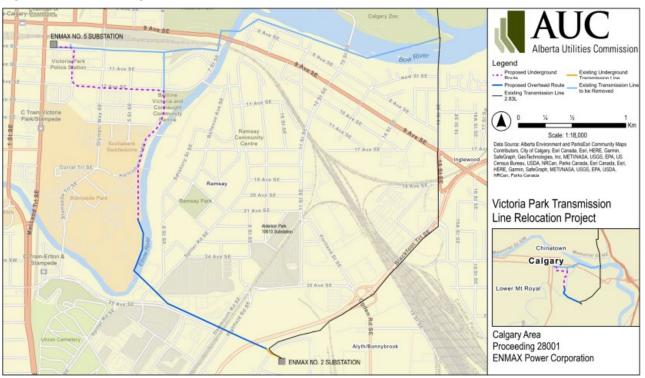


Figure 1. Existing and proposed transmission line route

5. The Commission issued a notice of application, including mailed copies to residents, agencies and other interested parties in the vicinity of the project. The Commission received a statement of intent to participate from Remington Development Corporation in favour of the proposed project.

6. Remington stated its support for the removal of the 138-2.82L/138-2.83L transmission lines from its land. Remington is the landowner of an 11-acre parcel of land where six existing structures are proposed to be decommissioned and removed. The affected lands are located east of the No. 5 Substation between 11th Avenue S.E. and the Canadian Pacific Railway, and between Olympic Way S.E. and the City of Calgary transit bus barns west of 7th Street S.E.

7. The Commission issued a ruling granting standing to Remington and requesting that parties file submissions on what additional process steps they required.

8. ENMAX stated that no additional process steps were necessary or appropriate in the circumstances given Remington supported the application. ENMAX advised that additional filings by Remington would not aid the Commission in making its decision; however, in the event the Commission considered additional process steps to be warranted, ENMAX requested that such steps be limited.

9. Remington stated it was opposed to any route deviations or alternatives to the proposed route that would not involve removing the lines from its land and, if such alternatives were being considered, it wished to submit evidence regarding the development potential of its lands and the impacts the 138-2.82L/138-2.83L transmission lines would have on the development potential.

10. For the reasons that will follow in a subsequent decision, the Commission finds that ENMAX's application is in the public interest and approves the application. Having arrived at this conclusion based on the current proceeding record, the Commission considers that it is unnecessary, and would be inefficient, to hear further evidence from Remington, given Remington's support for the application. As such, the Commission has determined that no further process is required.

3 Decision

11. Pursuant to sections 14, 15, 19 and 21 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, the Commission approves the application and grants ENMAX Power Corporation the approvals set out in Appendix 1 – Transmission Line Permit and Licence 28001-D02-2023 to alter and operate Transmission Line 138-2.82L and Appendix 2 – Transmission Line Permit and Licence 28001-D03-2023 to alter and operate Transmission Line 138-2.83L (the appendixes will be distributed separately).

Dated on July 7, 2023.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Vincent Kostesky Acting Commission Member