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Subject: July 30 - Invitation to BCER Virtual Engagement Session on the Regulatory Framework for Wind and Solar

The BCER would like to invite you to attend a virtual engagement session on July 30, 2025 at 9:30 to support the development of a regulatory framework for wind and solar energy projects in British Columbia. Please click on the attached calendar invite to save in your calendar.

As you may be aware, the *Renewable Energy Projects (Streamlined Permitting) Act* received royal assent on May 29, 2025. In coordination with the BCER, The Ministry of Energy and Climate Solutions is proposing regulatory changes for Fall 2025 that would remove the requirement for an environmental assessment for land-based wind projects, extend environmental protection and management regulations to wind and solar projects and provide the BCER with permitting authority over solar and wind projects. If the ministry's proposed changes proceed, as anticipated, the BCER would introduce a set of technical regulations in Spring 2026. These would establish permit application requirements for wind and solar energy projects and enable full lifecycle regulatory oversight by the BCER. To prepare for this, the BCER is developing the regulations needed to support this expanded role.

The session will focus on reviewing key policy issues currently under consideration. It is intended to provide industry proponents, local governments and associations with an opportunity to provide feedback and contribute to the development of the regulatory framework. The feedback received through engagement with First Nations, the public, industry and local government is critical to the development of these regulations.

For more information on the BCER's regulatory development process, or to access engagement materials and updates, please visit: <https://www.bc-er.ca/how-we-regulate/legislative-framework/regulatory-update/renewables/> On this page you will find the BCER's regulatory intentions. You can provide written submissions on the regulatory intentions through this inbox: inbox@rep-spa.ca

We look forward to your participation and continued collaboration. If you have any questions or clarifications, please reach out to inbox@rep-spa.ca

Sincerely,

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