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Invitation for Feedback on Draft Requirements for Reducing Methane Emissions

The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) is seeking public feedback on draft methane emissions reduction requirements in *Directive 060: Upstream Petroleum Industry Flaring, Incinerating, and Venting* and *Directive 017: Measurement Requirements for Oil and Gas Operations*.

As a part of the Government of Alberta's [Climate Leadership Plan](#), the AER was tasked with developing requirements to reduce methane gas emissions from upstream oil and gas operations by 45 per cent (relative to 2014 levels) by 2025.

The requirements address the primary sources of methane emissions from Alberta's upstream oil and gas industry: fugitive emissions and venting, which includes emissions from compressors, pneumatic devices, and glycol dehydrators.

A multistakeholder committee provided input on the draft requirements. The committee had representatives from industry, environmental nongovernment organizations, and research organizations. Details about the development of the draft requirements can be found on the [Methane Reduction](#) landing page of the AER's website.

To provide feedback on Draft *Directive 060* or Draft *Directive 017*, complete the new [online feedback forms](#). Alternatively, fill in the feedback form available on each directive's landing page and send it by email to Methane.Reduction@er.ca or by mail to the Alberta Energy Regulator, Climate Policy Assurance Branch, Suite 1000, 250 – 5 Street SW, Calgary, Alberta T2P 0R4. Feedback will be accepted until **May 28, 2018**.

Draft *Directive 060* and draft *Directive 017* are available on the AER website, www.aer.ca, under Rules & Directives > Directives > Draft / Open for Comment. Paper copies of the draft directives are available from AER Order Fulfillment, Suite 1000, 250 – 5 Street SW, Calgary, Alberta T2P 0R4; telephone: 403-297-8311 or 1-855-297-8311 (toll free; option 0); fax: 403-297-7040; email: InformationRequest@er.ca.

All feedback received will be reviewed and may be used in finalizing the directives. All the comments submitted will form part of the public record, and any comment received may be attributed to the specific individual providing it.

Personal information provided with comments will be collected, used, and disclosed in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. We may use the personal contact information you provide to follow up with you about your feedback.

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