

## IPPSA Statement on Market Surveillance Administrator Investigation of Balancing Pool

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The Independent Power Producers Society of Alberta (IPPSA) supports the Investigation into the conduct of the Balancing Pool by the Market Surveillance Administrator (MSA). The MSA issued a Notice on September 2, 2020 that it was conducting an investigation, "on the Balancing Pool's conduct in relation to potential breaches of the Electric Utilities Act, including sections 6 and 85, the Fair, Efficient and Open Competition Regulation, and the Settlement Agreement between the MSA and Balancing Pool that was approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission on January 14, 2020."

"IPPSA has raised concerns with the Balancing Pool's behavior in the past." stated Evan Bahry, Executive Director. "The Balancing Pool's duties in law require it to operate in a commercial manner and to manage its risks prudently, which is something that all market participants already do."

In addition to supporting this current investigation, IPPSA also supports the Government of Alberta's plan to audit the Balancing Pool.

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