# International Power Line (IPL) Amendment Application

Pursuant to Section 280/288

of the *Canadian Energy Regulator* (Act)

**When to Use This Form**

Use this form if you plan to undertake work on your CER-regulated IPL that will result in a change to the wording of the certificate or permit (or any attached schedules).

**How To Use This Form**

**► Replace pages 1 and 2 with a cover letter signed by the Applicant**. ◄

**► Replace blue text in the following table with your information**. ◄

**► Save the completed application as a pdf file**. ◄

Electronically file the pdf application (i.e., this completed form and all supporting documents) following the [directions](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/regulatory-document/filers-guide-electronic-submission.pdf) on the CER’s website. See [Filing With the Canada Energy Regulator](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-1-introduction.html#s1_7).

Underlined text in this document is a hyperlink. Hold down the “Ctrl” key and click on the underlined word(s) to connect to the CER’s website.

The use of this form is voluntary, however all the information contained in the form must be accurately included in an application filed with the CER. Failure to include in the application all of the information required by the Electricity Filing Manual may result in delays.

**Ensure A Complete Application**

Read the Instructions: For information, refer to the CER’s [Electricity Filing Manual](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/index.html) online. Fill in all sections of the form as completely as possible. If you believe something is not applicable you must clearly justify why this is so.

Meet with CER Staff, if required: Companies and their representatives may meet with CER staff **before** filing an application. CER staff can answer your questions about the CER and its application process. To arrange a [pre-application meeting](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/about/acts-regulations/cer-act-regulations-guidance-notes-related-documents/preapplication-meetings/index.html), please contact the Energy Adjudication Business Unit by calling the CER toll free at 1-800-899-1265.

Provide Feedback: We welcome your feedback on this form. Your suggestions will help us make this form clearer and easier to use. Please provide feedback by calling the CER toll free at 1‑800‑899‑1265.

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| The Application |
| 1 | Date | Indicate the date the application is filed with the Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (Commission). |
| 2 | Instrument Number | You are using this form to amend an existing IPL Certificate or Permit. Provide the Certificate or Permit number for which you are seeking amendment. |
| 3 | Applicant Company  | Provide the name of the applicant company and any authorized representative of the applicant, their mailing address, address for personal service, telephone number and any other contact information. |
| 4 | Owner/Operator | Provide the names and addresses of the owner and the operator of the IPL, if they are different from the applicant, and a description of the power systems that each owns and operates. |
| 5 | Owner/Operator outside Canada | Provide the name and address of the owner and operator of the power line outside Canada. |
| 6 | Action Sought: | Indicate the relief the Applicant would like the Commission to grant, which will include, but may not be limited to the following:* vary the original certificate [permit] made by the Commission (or its predecessor, the National Energy Board) to [describe what amendment you are seeking] pursuant to section 280/288 of the CER Act.

See [Action Sought by Applicant](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-3-common-information-requirements.html) at section **3.1** of the Electricity Filing Manual for more information. |
| 7 | Reason for the application: | Provide a summary of the Project/work to be undertaken.  |
| 8 | Capacity | Indicate if there will or will not be a change in capacity. If so, provide the existing capacity and the new capacity with the project. |
| 9 | Timing | Provide the schedule of work and timing of outage (if already determined). |
| Notification and Consultation |
| 10 | Consultation Program: | Describe all third party persons or groups (including commercial third parties) who were consulted, the nature of any concerns expressed, and the applicant’s response to the concerns as well as how ongoing concerns will be resolved. If consultation was not undertaken, provide justification of why it was not necessary to carry out a consultation program with respect to the proposed work. See [Engagement](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-5-engagemnt.html) at Chapter **5** of the Electricity Filing Manual for more information. |
| The International Power Line (IPL)  |
|  | (additional guidance for this section can be found in [Chapter 4](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-4-project-description-engineering.html) of the Electricity Filing Manual) |
| 11 | Location: | Provide the start and end points of the IPL that is being modified (Canadian and U.S) and the length by province. |
| 12 | Description: | Provide a complete description of each component of the project, including, *as applicable*:* any change in the voltage level;
* the number and size of conductors;
* a description of the tower or other structures to be modified, added, removed;
* a description of any facilities to be constructed by others which are required to accommodate the proposed facilities including temporary facilities;
* a description of how the project will be carried out (e.g., clearing, blasting, tower foundations, tower raising, stringing, watercourse crossings, inspection, monitoring programs, testing, etc.) during the construction and operations phases; and
* the anticipated workforce (i.e., person days and skills required for construction and operations activities).
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| 13 | Engineering Drawings: | Provide a single-line diagram identifying all the facilities that constitute the international power line. Ensure the drawings are of sufficient detail to show the existing configuration and the proposed amended configuration. Include relevant details of surrounding and connected facilities to enable to the Commission to understand how the proposed work relates to existing facilities. Provide mechanical drawings of all the facilities *as required*, including the plan, elevation and isometric views. |
| 14 | Codes/Standards | 1. Provide a list of all primary codes and standards, including the version and date of issue, that will be followed in the design and material selection for each element of the applied-for facility, subject to the following:
	* where there is a choice in the code or standard selected, provide a brief reason why the referenced code or standard is considered appropriate,
	* if you use your own company standard, as opposed to similar standard from CSA, explain if your own standard is equal to or more stringent than CSA. and
	* where there is no industry-recognized code or standard, provide brief reasoning why the proposed course of action would be taken with respect to affected design and material selections.
2. Provide confirmation that the project will comply with applicable company design and operations manuals and confirm that, in turn, these manuals comply with the codes and standards for the project. As well applicants are expected to keep the latest versions of these manuals available for CER audit and file copies upon request.
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| 15 | General Order | Confirm the company will comply with the reliability standards and the provisions of the General Order MO‑036-2012 ([A49626](https://apps.cer-rec.gc.ca/REGDOCS/Item/Filing/A49626)) and /or the Amending Orders as applicable to the respective IPLs. If not, provide a justification and explanation. |
| Environmental and Socio-Economic Matters |
| 16 | Setting | Describe the environmental and socio-economic setting in which the Project/work would take place.See [Description of the Environmental and Socio-Economic Setting](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-6-environmental-socio-economic-assessment.html) at section **6.5** of the Electricity Filing Manual. |
| 17 | ESA | Provide an environmental, socio-economic assessment (ESA) for the Project/work. The details required will depend on the scope. (If the work is covered by an existing ESA on file with the CER, provide an explanation.)See [Scope of the assessment](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-6-environmental-socio-economic-assessment.html) at section **6.3.3** of the Electricity Filing Manual and[Level of Detail](https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/applications-hearings/submit-applications-documents/filing-manuals/electricity-filing-manual/electricity-filing-manual-chapter-6-environmental-socio-economic-assessment.html) at section **6.4** of the Electricity Filing Manual. The ESA may be provided (in whole or in part depending on scope) by the completion of an interactions table (template linked [here](https://apps.cer-rec.gc.ca/oas-sdl/docs/Env%20Interactions%20Table.doc)). |
| 18 | Map | Provide one or more maps that include, but may not be limited to:* relevant provincial and international boundaries when they are important, for jurisdictional matters or situating the area of interest
* the terminal points and international boundary crossover point;
* the route, facility sites and any proposed ancillary facilities;
* the power line outside Canada;
* the nearest population centre(s) or residences, and significant landmarks;
* Dominion Land Survey grid (Township grid) where applicable
* width of the ROW
* location of temporary construction land
* layout/boundary/routing details such as the fence line
* facility layout including IPL center line
* the study area(s);
* the ecological land classification and key terrain features, such as mountains, rivers, lakes and other important features;
* navigable waterways that may be affected by project components (e.g. temporary and permanent bridges, marine terminals and loading facilities;
* any environmentally sensitive areas, sensitive habitats, or areas of special concern (e.g., existing and candidate protected areas), including those identified through public or Indigenous consultation, which influence facility routing or site locations; and
* the locations of all proposed facilities.
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| Financial and Economic Matters |
| 19 | Cost | Provide the total estimated cost of the Project/work to be undertaken |
| 20 | Canadian cost | Provide the estimated cost of the Project/work to be undertaken in Canada |
| **Land Matters** |
| 21 | Land Rights | Provide: * a description of the type of land rights proposed to be acquired for the Project and related facilities; and
* the relative proportions of land ownership along the Project (i.e., freehold, Crown or public lands).
* a description of the locations and dimensions of known temporary work space required for the project or, if locations are not known;
* a drawing showing the typical dimensions of the temporary work space required for road, watercourse and other crossings, storage areas and camps.
* a description of the locations and dimensions of the permanent land rights required as well as the relative proportions of land ownership along the proposed route;
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| 22 | Land Acquisition | Provide:* confirmation that the lands acquisition process for the Project will comply with the applicable sections of the CER Act, including sections 321 and 322; and
* the status of the land acquisition process, including service of section 322 notices.
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