

# Injecting Energy Back into Alberta's Renewables Market

The Business Renewables Centre-Canada shares a common interest with the Alberta government in ensuring Alberta has enough clean, reliable and affordable energy to power homes and businesses. Unfortunately, cancellation rates for wind and solar projects are unusually high following the government's pause on renewable energy approvals. Investor confidence is low.

**Here, we offer suggestions on the key changes that could jolt the industry back to life!**

## REDUCE red tape



**CLARIFY** definition of pristine viewscapes.



**EXPLAIN** agricultural land restriction standard of "coexistence" with crops or livestock that will be required on Class 1 and 2 land and cease policy development to add restrictions beyond Class 1 and 2 land.



**PROTECT** advanced stage projects that were previously approved.

## SETTLE UP: clear up cost and profit expectations



**RECLAMATION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS** need to be spelled out, generator transmission costs need to be clarified, and predictable administrative charges should be defined for line losses, the power lost during transmission and distribution.



**MARKET MECHANISMS** need to be defined. Energy producers need to know how the day-ahead market will work, the scale of risk on negative pricing, and whether or not the government will sign long-term contracts or invest public funds directly in its preferred technologies.

All Albertans have an interest in powering up this industry again. Wind and solar power produce clean, reliable, affordable energy and projects which drive private capital investment into new and valuable infrastructure and jobs, and provide tax revenues to host communities, as well as payments to landowners.

