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## ULA & MPULA – Street Lighting Process Change

Background

To improve management of MPULA billing within the 4 Party Trench, ENMAX has requested a change to the current ULA application process. Because street lighting is not installed continuously within the 4 Party Trench, it has been challenging to accurately allocate multi-party ULA fees among the five shallow utilities.

Under the revised approach, ENMAX has requested that ULA applications for street lighting include both the single-party trench and the multi-party trench. This replaces the current practice where street lighting submits a ULA application for the single-party trench only, and provides a CAD file separately for ENMAX to incorporate into the combined MPULA application for all five parties.

Over the past year, the City of Calgary, ROW Management, and ENMAX completed a pilot project using this approach for all City of Calgary-designed street lighting projects.

Lessons Learned

Relying solely on the PDF design drawings made it difficult for street lighting drafters to ensure that their ULA files exactly matched ENMAX's MPULA files. This discrepancy resulted in multiple RFIs from ROW Management requesting amendments to submitted street lighting applications.

Solution

To address this issue, ENMAX and the 4 Party Consortium has agreed that once the MPULA file is created, a DGN copy will be shared with the street lighting designer. This will allow the multi-party trench details to be reviewed and verified prior to ULA submission, reducing discrepancies and follow-up RFIs.

Format

Going forward, ULA submissions for street lighting projects will follow this format:

- The street lighting ULA application will include both the single-party trench and the multi-party trench, all on the same level (C-UTIL-LINE-N)
- ENMAX will provide a DGN copy of the MPULA file to the street lighting designer for coordination and verification.
- The street lighting ULA file and the ENMAX MPULA file will be reviewed by ROW Management and approved at approximately the same time. Note: this does not represent a process change, as ROW Management has historically cross-referenced the street lighting and MPULA applications prior to approval.

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