Overview



Introduction

Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Corporation (AIOC) is a first-of-its-kind Crown corporation in Canada that has the capacity to provide up to \$3 billion in loan guarantees for Indigenous investment opportunities. Through AIOC, Indigenous communities will benefit from their direct investment in medium-to-large scale natural resource, agriculture, telecommunication, transportation, tourism, healthcare, and technology projects and related infrastructure.

Mandate and Governance

AIOC's mandate is to facilitate natural resource, agriculture, telecommunication, transportation, tourism, healthcare, and technology investments that will generate material sustainable revenues and benefits over the medium-to-long term for eligible Indigenous groups.

Eligible Projects

Projects inside Alberta and across Canada are eligible for support in the following sectors:

- Energy
 - Upstream
 - Midstream
 - Downstream oil and gas
 - Power
 - Coal

- Forestry
- Mining
- Agriculture
- Telecommunications
- Transportation
- Tourism
- Healthcare
- Technology

Access to Capital

The range for a loan guarantee is a minimum \$20 million to \$250 million for a qualified project. Provided that the \$20 million size of Indigenous investment is met, there is no required percentage of overall project ownership.

Capacity Support

To support deal development, AIOC has a limited pool of discretionary funds to provide access to technical support on qualified project opportunities.

Capacity support may include legal, technical, and economic expertise to Indigenous communities who want to move toward being long-term strategic partners with industry and the Alberta Government.

Who Can Apply?

The following groups may apply for support:

- Indigenous communities as defined by the Indian Act (Canada);
- Metis settlements as established by the Metis Settlements Act (Alberta);
- · Entities that are fully owned by at least one of the entities defined above; and
- Other entities approved by the Alberta Minister of Indigenous Relations by order as falling within the mandate of AIOC

Applications for a loan guarantee may be submitted by a single Alberta-based Indigenous group or a consortium of Indigenous groups.

In the case of a consortium, at least one Alberta-based Indigenous group must be a participating investor and constitute at least 25% of the total proposed Indigenous Investment.

Engage with AIOC

To discuss potential projects or to apply, please contact: Shafak Sajid, Interim Director, Indigenous Engagement: engagement@theaioc.com

