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TIP

Volumetric Submission – Update to Validation of Hours

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Purpose:

To advise users that, effective November 5, 2026, Petrinex has updated the VMS138 validation of reported hours on volumetric submissions to reflect changes to the observance of daylight-saving time in Alberta, British Columbia, and Manitoba.

Background:

Effective November 2026, Alberta, British Columbia, and Manitoba will no longer observe seasonal daylight-saving time changes. Petrinex previously adjusted the maximum reportable hours for production months affected by a daylight-saving time change. The VMS138 validation has been updated so that the standard maximum number of hours applies to production months on or after November 2026.

Key principles:

- The previous daylight-saving time adjustment will no longer apply to production months on or after November 2026. For example, the maximum for a 30-day production month will be 720 hours rather than 721 hours.
- Starting with the November 2026 production month, reported hours cannot exceed the standard maximum for the month, calculated as the number of days in the month × 24 hours.
- If the reported hours exceed the maximum allowed for the production month, Petrinex displays the following validation error:

  VMS138 – Reported hours [value] exceed the hours in the production month

- Submissions for production periods before November 2026 will continue to be validated using the previous daylight-saving time rules.
- No system or account changes are required. Users must ensure that reported hours do not exceed the maximum allowed for the applicable production month.

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