

CANADA PENSION PLAN INVESTMENT BOARD  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

TransAlta Corporation

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares

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(Title of Class of Securities)

89346D107

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(CUSIP Number)

October 20, 2003

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

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CUSIP No. 89346D107  
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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Canada Pension Plan Investment Board / Not applicable

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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

Not applicable

(b)

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3. SEC USE ONLY

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4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Canada

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NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING PERSON  
WITH

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

12,460,357

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6. SHARED VOTING POWER

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7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

12,460,357

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8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

12,460,357

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10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

SHARES

(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

6.53%

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12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer

The name of the issuer is TransAlta Corporation (the "Company").

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices

The principal executive offices of the Company are located at 110 12th Avenue S.W., Box 1900, Station M, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2M1, Canada.

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing

This statement is being filed by Canada Pension Plan Investment Board ("CPP Investment Board").

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence

The address of the principal business office of the reporting person is One Queen Street East, Suite 2700, Toronto, Ontario M5C 2W5, Canada.

Item 2(c). Citizenship

Canada.

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities

The securities to which this statement relates are Common Shares (the "Shares") of the Company.

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number

The CUSIP number of the Shares is 89346D107.

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to ss.240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership

(a) As of March 15, 2004, CPP Investment Board directly owned 12,460,357 Shares.

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(b) The Shares directly owned by CPP Investment Board represented approximately 6.53% of the issued and outstanding Shares as of March 15, 2004.

(c) As of March 15, 2004, CPP Investment Board had the sole power to vote or to direct the voting of the Shares and had the sole power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of the Shares.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.  
As of March 15, 2004

Canada Pension Plan Investment Board

By: /s/ J. H. Butler

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Name: J. H. Butler  
Title: Vice President - General Counsel  
and Corporate Secretary