

### PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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ORDER

NUMBER C-3-90

IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, S.B.C. 1980, c. 60, as amended

and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority on behalf of Highland Valley Copper

BEFORE:

J.D.V. Newlands,
Deputy Chairman:

N. Martin,
Commissioner; and
W.M. Swanson, Q.C.,
Commissioner

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## ORDER

WHEREAS British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro"), on behalf of Highland Valley Copper ("HVC"), has written to the Commission on March 30, 1990, proposing HVC's plan to undertake relocation of 4.5 km of the utility's 138 kV transmission line located at Logan Lake, B.C.; and

WHEREAS the relocation is required to allow for the raising of HVC's tailing pond and to coincide with timber clearing and relocation of the highway to Ashcroft, B.C.; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Forests, Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Crown Lands advised that there were no serious concerns regarding the proposed powerline relocation and provided letters of confirmation to HVC; and

WHEREAS the Commission has reviewed the information and has determined that the proposed 138 kV transmission line relocation is necessary for the public convenience and properly conserves the public interest.

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## NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") is granted to HVC to relocate 4.5km of B.C. Hydro's 138 kV transmission line located at Logan Lake, B.C.

This CPCN is subject to HVC's compliance with all requirements contained in the letters attached as Appendix A:

Ministry of Forests March 21, 1990
Ministry of Environment March 19, 1990
Ministry of Crown Lands March 16, 1990

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British

Columbia, this Boll day of April, 1990.

BY ORDER

J/D/N. Newlands Deputy Chairman

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Highland Valley Copper P.O. Box 1500 Logan Lake, B.C. VOK 1W0

ATTENTION: M.D. Scott

Dear Sir:

RE: Proposed Relocation of Highland Valley Highway and B.C. Hydro Power Authority, 138 Kv. Powerline

The Ministry of Forests has no objections to the proposed relocation of the Highland Valley highway and B.C. Hydro and Power Authority KV powerline as shown on your submission of March 14, 1990, pending favorable responses from other referral agencies.

A License to Cut is currently being processed by this office to allow for the removal of the Right-of-Way timber. This document will outline the cutting specifications, slash disposal and rehabilitation requirements that will be conditions of the License.

Yours truly,

T.R. Sheldan Operations Manager Kamloops Forest District



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March 19, 1990

Highland Valley Copper PO Box 1500 Logan Lake, BC VOK 1WO

Attn: M.D. Scott

Superintendent, Technical Services

Dear Sir:

RE: Relocation of British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority 138 KV

Powerline around Ultimate Tailings Pond

Your submission dated March 14, 1990 was received including copies of letters sent the Ministry of Forests and the Ministry of Lands, copy of a letter from B.C. Hydro to Highland Valley Copper dated March 9, 1990 and attached drawing number 114-800-791 showing the proposed relocation of the 138 KV Powerline over a distance of about 4 km.

Acknowledged also is our telephone conversation of March 14, 1990 and March 16, 1990 where it was confirmed that:

- Sandy MacDonalda' requirements on behalf of the Ministry of Environment for a barbless top and bottom strand of fencing associated with the relocated highway would be met.
- 2. No water licensees would be impacted by the construction.
- 3. Road access to service the powerline would be culverted with suitably sized pipe where it crossed Boise Creek and Wood Creek, at least during the construction phase.
- 4. Drainage of the slope face would be to the Tailings Pond eliminating any concern for water quality of surface runoff.
- 5. Treed Buffer strips would be maintained to protect asthetics.

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6. Clearing of Right-of-way would be as shown on the drawing and to B.C. Hydro Standards using usual B.C. Hydro Contractors.

Similarly, construction and inspection of the Hydro line would be using usual B.C. Hydro contractors to facilitate acceptance by B.C. Hydro of the work done at the time of transfer of ownership to B.C. Hydro.

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The Ministry of Environment has no objection to the proposed 138 KV Transmission line relocation as shown on drawing 114-800-791. With respect to construction, we ask only that good engineering standards be used under the supervision of practicing Professional Engineers registered in the Province of British Columbia. With respect to mitigation measures, spart from the assurances noted in our telephone conversations, we ask only that disturbed areas that can be seeded to grass be seeded as soon as possible after completion of the relocation and that any erosion control necessary be completed without delay to conserve soil.

We trust that this letter will satisfy the requirements of the B.C. Utilities Commission as they relate to the Ministry of Environment.

Yours truly

Howard Handerson

Acting Regional Director

for:

W.A. Kastelen

Director

Southern Interior Region

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cc: A.D. Zackodnik, Regional Water Manager S. Willett, Regional Fish & Wildlife Manager

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March 16, 1990

Highland Valley Copper P.O. Box 1500 Logan Lake, B.C. VOK 1W0

Attention:

M.D. Scott, Superintendent

Technical Services

Dear Mr. Scott:

Re: BC Utilities Commission Approval for Relocation of B.C.Hydro 138 KV Powerline

The Ministry has no objections to relocation of BC Hydro's 138 KV Powerline around the ultimate tailings pond as shown outlined in red on attached sketch.

Your application submission for the relocated powerline right of way (on behalf of BC Hydro) is currently being processed. We anticipate no major concerns or problems, however, future right of way approval will be based upon input for other resource agencies.

We will attempt to expedite this application to assist you in early construction.

Feel free to contact our office should you require any additional information.

Yours truly,

Reg Bose, Manager Land Administration

RB/DM/sjs attach.

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