



BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION	
ORDER	
NUMBER	G-83-90

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

and

Complaint by the British Columbia
Public Interest Advocacy Centre

BEFORE:	J.G. McIntyre,)	
	Chairman;)	
	J.D.V. Newlands,)	
	Deputy Chairman;)	November 19, 1990
	N. Martin,)	
	Commissioner; and)	
	W.M. Swanson, Q.C.,)	
	Commissioner)	

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Application dated April 10, 1990, amended June 7, 1990, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") applied to the Commission for amendments to its Electric Tariff respecting Terms and Conditions, Standard Charges for Service, and Definitions relating to the Distribution Extension and Service Connection Policies ("the Amendments"); and
- B. By Commission Order No. G-46-90 dated June 15, 1990; the Commission approved the said Amendments; and
- C. By Application made July 19, 1990 the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre [representing the Consumers' Association of Canada (B.C. Branch), B.C. Old Age Pensioners' Organization, Council of Senior Citizens; Organizations, Federated Anti-Poverty Groups of B.C. and the Senior Citizens' Association, [collectively referred to as CAC (B.C.) et al] ("CAC") requested the Commission to reconsider and rescind the said Order on the grounds that inadequate notice was given of the hearing of the Application, and further to direct the holding of a public hearing; and
- D. By Commission Order No. G-57-90 dated August 1, 1990 the Commission ordered that the Application of B.C. Hydro be reconsidered, that written submissions be requested from customers and interested parties on or before September 14, 1990, following which it would be determined whether a public hearing would be held, and that Notice of the reconsideration be published to the public by appropriate newspaper advertisements; and
- E. Further submissions on the policies were received in writing from CAC and from other interested parties, including B.C. Hydro; and
- F. Having carefully reviewed all of the written submissions received from all parties and other relevant information, the Commission is of the opinion that it is in the public interest that a public hearing be held into the Amendments to B.C. Hydro's Distribution Extension and Service Connection Policies.

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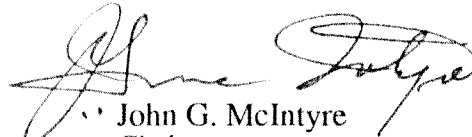
- G. The Commission considers that the fundamental changes in utility practice comprised in the Amendments contemplate that the Distribution Extension and Service Connection Policies may impact on B.C. Hydro's Rate Design Application.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. That the Amendments approved by Order No. G-46-90 be reconsidered following a public hearing.
2. That the public hearing take place in conjunction with the Commission's hearing of B.C. Hydro's Rate Design Application referred to in Commission Order No. G-57-90.
3. The Commission will require B.C. Hydro to give public notice of this Order in conjunction with the published Notice of its Rate Design Application and Public Hearing.
4. The rates approved by Commission Order No. G-46-90 are confirmed effective July 1, 1990 and will remain in effect until such time as the Rate Design Application is heard in public and the Commission issues its Decision.
5. B.C. Hydro is ordered to file amendments to its Electric Tariff by substituting the references to "Full Cost" with the actual rates and charges that went into effect on July 1, 1990.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this th20 day of November, 1990.

BY ORDER


John G. McIntyre
Chairman

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