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

and

An Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and ) K.L. Hall, Commissioner ) May 5, 1994

### ORDER

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On February 11, 1994 British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro", "the Applicant") filed for Commission approval an Application, pursuant to Sections 64, 67, and 106 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") and Special Direction No. 8, to increase rates on an interim and permanent basis to all customers effective April 1, 1994; and
- B. The Commission, by Order No. G-18-94, approved a 2.8 percent interim rate increase to all classes of electric service customers effective April 1, 1994, based on rate design proposals as set out in the Application, all subject to refund with interest following a public hearing that will commence September 12, 1994 in Vancouver, British Columbia; and
- C. On March 30, 1994 the Commission instructed B.C. Hydro to file its proposals for new industrial service options and wheeling by May 20, 1994. The Commission will subsequently establish workshops and pre-hearing conferences in conjunction with the September 12, 1994 public hearing into the Application; and
- D. The Commission now requires that a Notice of Public Hearing be published outlining specific dates for the Applicant, Intervenors and Interested Parties to follow.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Not later than Friday, May 20, 1994, B.C. Hydro will arrange for publication of a Notice of Public Hearing, in the form attached, in display-ad format, in the business section of one issue each of the Vancouver Sun, The Province, the Victoria Times Colonist, and in appropriate local community newspaper publications so as to provide adequate notice to the public in its service area.
- 2. The Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at the B.C. Hydro Head Office Information Centre, 333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, B.C., all District Offices located throughout its service area and at the British Columbia Utilities Commission, 6th Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C.
- 3. B.C. Hydro will distribute a copy of the Application to all Intervenors, and an Executive Summary to Interested Parties as they become registered with the Commission.

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- 4. B.C. Hydro is to file with the Commission any additional prepared testimony and supplemental material upon which it intends to rely, not later than Friday, May 27, 1994.
- 5. Intervenors and Interested Parties intending to be present and participate in the public hearing should give written Notice to the Commission Secretary and to the Applicant, to be received no later than Monday, June 6, 1994. Such Notice should state the nature of the interest in the proceeding.
- 6. All parties intending to apply for Participant Funding should file a budget consistent with the Commission's Guidelines outlined in Order No. G-117-93, by Monday, June 13,1994.
- 7. Intervenors and Interested Parties intending to make requests for additional information from the Applicant, should do so by Monday, June 13, 1994. Information Requests made by June 13, 1994 shall be responded to by B.C. Hydro on or before Thursday, June 30, 1994.
- 8. Intervenors intending to file written evidence pertaining to the Application must do so with the Commission and the Applicant by Friday, July 15, 1994. Any Information Requests by B.C. Hydro or other parties regarding written Intervenor evidence should be made by Friday, July 29, 1994. Information Requests made by July 29, 1994 shall be responded to by Friday, August 19, 1994.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th, day of May, 1994.

BY ORDER

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard Chairperson



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#### BRITISH COLUMBIA HYDRO AND POWER AUTHORITY APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF A 2.8 PERCENT GENERAL RATE INCREASE

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Time:8:30 a.m.Date:September 12, 1994Location:British Columbia Utilities Commission<br/>Hearing Room<br/>6th Floor, 900 Howe Street<br/>Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 2N3

# THE APPLICATION

On February 11, 1994 B.C. Hydro applied to increase electricity rates by an average of 2.8 percent on an interim and permanent basis effective April 1, 1994. The Commission approved the interim increase by Order No. G-18-94 and set the matter down for public hearing to commence September 12, 1994 in Vancouver, B.C. An Executive Summary, which provides additional details in support of the Application is available, free of charge, by contacting B.C. Hydro offices or the B.C. Utilities Commission Information Services Group.

## THE PUBLIC HEARING

As noted above, the public hearing into the Application will commence at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, September 12, 1994 in the Commission Hearing Room in Vancouver, B.C.

## PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE APPLICATION

The Application, Executive Summary, supporting material, interventions and Orders No. G-18-94 and G-30-94 are available for inspection at the following locations:

- B.C. Hydro Head Office Information Centre 333 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver, B.C.
- District Offices located in B.C. Hydro's service area.
- British Columbia Utilities Commission, 6th Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C.

## INTERVENTIONS

Any person wishing to be present at the public hearing and/or to give evidence or cross-examine witnesses should provide written Notice, to be received not later than Monday, May 30, 1994, to the Commission Secretary and to B.C. Hydro. The Notice should include a brief statement as to the nature of the interest in the proceedings.

### PARTICIPANT FUNDING

All parties intending to apply for Participant Funding should file a budget consistent with the Commission's Guidelines outlined in Commission Order No. G-117-93 by Monday, June 13, 1994.

### **INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Intervenors or Interested Parties requesting additional information from the Applicant should do so by Monday, June 13, 1994. B.C. Hydro shall respond to such requests by Thursday, June 30, 1994.

# SUBMISSIONS BY INTERVENORS

Written evidence from Intervenors is required to be filed, one copy each, with the Commission Secretary and the Applicant by Friday, July 15, 1994. Any Information Requests by B.C. Hydro or other parties regarding written Intervenor evidence should be made by Friday, July 29, 1994. Information Requests made by that date shall be responded to by Friday, August 19, 1994.

#### CLARIFICATION

Persons intending to participate in the public hearing, and who are uncertain as to the manner in which to proceed, may contact Mr. Robert Pellatt, Commission Secretary, or Mr. Barry McKinlay, Manager, Rates and Finance - Electrical, by telephone at 660-4700 or B.C. Toll Free: 1-800-663-1385, by fax at 660-1102, or in writing to the above address.

The Commission can also be reached on the Government Electronic Mail System ("GEMS") at RPELLAT@BCSC or on the Internet at RPELLAT@VAXBCSC.GOV.BC.CA.

**BY ORDER** 

Robert J. Pellatt Commission Secretary