



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
for Approval of its Wholesale Transmission Services

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner) December 15, 1995

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 14, 1995 the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") filed its Wholesale Transmission Services Application ("the Application") and requested approval of its rates and terms and conditions of service, on an interim basis, by January 31, 1996; and
- B. By Order No. G-97-95 the Commission set the Application down for public hearing and determined a regulatory schedule of deadlines; and
- C. A pre-hearing conference was held on December 14, 1995 during which the Applicant and other interested parties requested amendments to the public hearing date and schedule of timing deadlines for the Application and suggested alternative dates. In addition, parties were canvassed about their views with respect to the acceptability of an interim rate as requested in the Application; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the proposed dates for the Application and agreed to the following changes.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders B.C. Hydro as follows:

- 1. The Commission issues the following amended timetable in the review of the B.C. Hydro Wholesale Transmission Services Application:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
(a) Initial Information Requests sent to B.C. Hydro	December 22, 1995
(b) B.C. Hydro responses to Initial Information Requests	January 12, 1996
(c) Workshops to discuss the Application	January 16 and 17, 1996
(d) Second Set of Information Requests sent to B.C. Hydro	January 23, 1996
(e) B.C. Hydro responses to Second Information Requests	February 9, 1996

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(f) Written Submissions by Intervenors

February 23, 1996

(g) Oral Public Hearing

March 4, 1996

2. All parties wishing to intervene in the Application are requested to give notice in writing to the Commission Secretary not later than January 2, 1996.
3. All parties intending to apply for Participant Funding must file a budget by January 2, 1996, instead of December 22, 1995 as set out in Order No. G-97-95. The budget must be consistent with the Commission's Policy and Rate Sheet as outlined in Order No. G-117-93. Copies of the Participant Funding Policy and Rate Sheet are available upon request.
4. Approval of the Application on an interim basis is granted effective January 31, 1996. The interim rates shall remain in effect until the date of the Commission's Decision with respect to this Application. Effective the date of the Commission's Decision, rates for existing and future transactions under this tariff will be as set out in the Decision.
5. B.C. Hydro will publish, in display-ad format, the attached Notice of Public Hearing in the business sections of The Vancouver Sun and The Province newspapers, and in local newspapers in the affected service areas as soon as can be arranged.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *15th* day of December, 1995.

BY ORDER



Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson

Attachment

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BRITISH COLUMBIA HYDRO AND POWER AUTHORITY WHOLESALE TRANSMISSION SERVICES APPLICATION

THE APPLICATION

The British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro) has applied to the Commission for approval of Wholesale Transmission Services rates. The Commission approved interim rates effective January 31, 1996 by Order No. G-109-95.

A public hearing into the Application is set down for Monday, March 4, 1996 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission's Hearing Room, 6th Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6Z 2N3.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE APPLICATION

The Application, and supporting material, are available for inspection at the following locations:

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

Head Office: 333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, B.C.

District Offices: All Districts Offices in its service territory

Copies of the Application and supporting material are also available for inspection at the office of the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 2N3.

INTERVENTIONS

Intervenors who wish copies of the Application and other information are urged to register with the Commission and B.C. Hydro as soon as possible. Intervenors and interested parties are to advise the Commission Secretary of their intention to participate in the proceedings not later than January 2, 1996.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops to discuss the Application will be held January 16 and 17, 1996. The location will be announced by the Commission at a later date to those registered for the proceeding.

INFORMATION REQUESTS

Initial Information Requests sent to B.C. Hydro by December 22, 1995 shall be responded to by B.C. Hydro before January 12, 1996. Information Requests sent to B.C. Hydro by January 23, 1996 shall be responded to by B.C. Hydro by February 9, 1996.

SUBMISSIONS BY INTERVENORS

Written evidence and submissions from Intervenors is required to be filed, one copy each, with the Commission Secretary and B.C. Hydro, by February 23, 1996.


PARTICIPANT FUNDING

All parties intending to apply for Participant Funding must first register with the Commission and obtain the new guidelines for participant funding. All parties must then file a budget by January 2, 1996 consistent with the Commission's Rate Sheet as outlined in Order No. G-117-93.

CLARIFICATION

Persons intending to participate in the hearing, and who are uncertain as to the manner in which to proceed, may contract Mr. Robert J. Pellatt, Commission Secretary or Ms. Deborah Emes, Manager, Strategic Services; by telephone at 660-4700, or B.C. Toll Free: 1-800-663-1385, or in writing to the above address or by fax at 660-1102. The Commission can also be reached on the Government Electronic Mail System ("GEMS") and on the Internet at bcuc@pop.bcinet.gov.bc.ca.

BY ORDER



Robert J. Pellatt
Commission Secretary