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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-29-96

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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 Tariff Supplement - Rate Schedule 1848 - B.C. Chemicals Ltd.

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) March 29, 1996

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 22, 1996 British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") filed its Industrial Service Options ("ISO") Application and requested approval of Rate Schedule 1848 - Real Time Pricing ("RTP") Transmission Service (5,000 kVA and over) on an interim basis, effective January 31, 1996; and
- B. The Commission reviewed the ISO Application and, by Order No. G-5-96, approved Rate Schedule 1848 - RTP on an interim basis effective January 31, 1996; and
- C. On March 15, 1996 B.C. Hydro applied to the Commission for approval a February 7, 1996 application (updated on February 19, 1996) by B.C. Chemicals Ltd. ("B.C. Chemicals") for access to the RTP option with a reduction to a 60 percent Customer Baseline Load ("CBL") under the Load Retention criteria of the ISO Application; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the B.C. Hydro and B.C. Chemicals applications and finds that they satisfy the criteria contained in Rate Schedule 1848.

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

1. The Commission approves, on an interim basis effective April 1, 1996, the B.C. Hydro March 15, 1996 application on behalf of B.C. Chemicals for access to the RTP option with a reduction to a 50 percent CBL as provided for under Rate Schedule 1848. This will result in a CBL for B.C. Chemicals in the order

of 18.6 MW. The Commission has determined that the CBL for B.C. Chemicals should be consistent with the 50 percent CBL recently granted to two other B.C. Hydro customers who manufacture the same product as B.C. Chemicals.

2. The Commission will approve, subject to timely filing by B.C. Hydro, a Supplementary Agreement to B.C. Chemical's Electricity Supply Agreement that embodies a 50 percent reduction in the CBL.
3. The approval of Rate Schedule 1848 and the RTP option given by this Order will remain in effect on an interim basis for a period of up to one year from January 31, 1996 and is subject to adjustment following the Commission's hearing and Decision on B.C. Hydro's ISO application.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 2nd day of April, 1996.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson