UTILITIES COMMISSION

British Columbia
Utilities Commission

Order

Number F-9-98

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IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

Applications for Participant Assistance Cost Awards Regarding the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Wholesale Transmission Services Application

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair K.L. Hall, Commissioner P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)	
)	July 2, 1998
)	
	K.L. Hall, Commissioner	K.L. Hall, Commissioner

ORDER

WHEREAS:

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CANADA

- A. On March 23, 1998, the Association for the Advancement of Sustainable Energy Policy ("AASEP") applied for a participant assistance cost award for its participation in the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") Wholesale Transmission Services ("WTS") Application proceedings; and
- B. The Commission Panel ("the Panel") determined that the participation of AASEP in the B.C. Hydro WTS proceedings required reimbursement in accordance with the criteria and rates set out in the approved guidelines that were appended to Commission Order No. G-103-96 ("the Guidelines"); and
- C. The Panel discussed the AASEP application and determined that its request for funding, with respect to the consultant's fee, was excessive given the value of the evidence to the hearing. Therefore, the consultant's fee was reduced to reflect two-thirds of the cost or \$9,995.93; and
- D. Commission Order No F-8-98, issued on June 30, 1998, contained a miscalculation in the final award.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Panel awards an additional \$875 to AASEP for its participation in the B.C. Hydro WTS proceeding. B.C. Hydro is directed to reimburse AASEP for the additional amount in a timely fashion.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 8th day of July, 1998.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr Deputy Chair and Chair of the Division