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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-111-01

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

and

an Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
for Approval of Rate Schedule 1253, Distribution Service –
Station Service for Maintenance and Black-Starts for Independent Power Producers

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner) October 18, 2001
R.D. Deane, Commissioner)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)
N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. The British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (“B.C. Hydro”) applied to the Commission for approval of Rate Schedule 1253, Distribution Service – Station Service for Maintenance and Black-Starts for Independent Power Producers (“RS 1253”) by way of a letter dated September 14, 2001; and
- B. In a letter dated September 21, 2001, the Commission circulated B.C. Hydro’s application to registered intervenors from the Hothouse/Distribution Access Hearing and requested comments on the proposed RS 1253; and
- C. In a letter dated October 8, 2001, the Joint Industry Electricity Steering Committee (“JIESC”) indicated that it supports the services covered by RS 1253 but made no comment with respect to the appropriateness of the proposed charges; and
- D. Station service for maintenance and black-starts is currently available to Independent Power Producers (“IPPs”) connected to B.C. Hydro’s transmission system through the existing Rate Schedule 1853. RS 1253 would extend this service to IPPs connected to the distribution system; and
- E. The Commission has considered B.C. Hydro’s application and the JIESC’s comments and finds that approval of RS 1253 is in the public interest.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission approves RS 1253, as submitted in B.C. Hydro's letter dated September 14, 2001, effective the date of this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of October 2001.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair