

**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER** G-170-08

TELEPHONE: (604) 660-4700  
BC TOLL FREE: 1-800-663-1385  
FACSIMILE: (604) 660-1102

SIXTH FLOOR, 900 HOWE STREET, BOX 250  
VANCOUVER, B.C. V6Z 2N3 CANADA  
web site: <http://www.b cuc.com>



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

**and**

**An Application by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority  
for Approval to Re-Price Net Metering Services**

**BEFORE:** P.E. Vivian, Commissioner  
A.A. Rhodes, Commissioner November 14, 2008

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("BC Hydro") filed an Application (the "Application"), dated October 3, 2008, with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the "Commission"), pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the Utilities Commission Act ("UCA"), for approval to increase the Rate Schedule 1289 - Net Metering Service ("RS 1289") energy price; and
- B. Order G-158-08 established a written process for reviewing the Application and a timetable that included Commission Information Requests and written submissions by Intervenor and BC Hydro; and
- C. By letter dated November 7, 2008, the BC Sustainable Energy Association and the Sierra Club of British Columbia (collectively "BCSEA") noted that the regulatory schedule established by Order G-158-08 did not provide a deadline for Intervenor Information Requests, and that the BCSEA had sent a set of Information Requests to BC Hydro and asked BC Hydro to respond on a best efforts basis, ideally in conjunction with BC Hydro's responses to the Commission Information Requests by November 20, 2008; and
- D. By letter dated November 9, 2008, the Energy Solutions for Vancouver Island Society ("ESVI"), Okanagan Environmental Industry Alliance ("OEIA") and IslandTransformations.org ("ITO"), (collectively "ESVI, OEIA & ITO"), requested that the timetable be amended by adding an allowance for Intervenor Information Requests with a deadline of November 19, 2008 and that the remaining schedule be shifted accordingly; and
- E. In a letter dated November 13, 2008 BC Hydro stated that it has no objection to responding to Intervenor Information Requests that are relevant to the Application on a best efforts basis within the existing timetable, nor does it object to the Commission issuing an updated timetable if it so wishes to allow for Intervenor Information Requests; and

**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER** G-170-08

2

F. The Commission has considered the ESVI, OEIA & ITO request and the letters from BCSEA and BC Hydro, and has determined that amending the timetable is in the public interest.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Commission, by this Order, determines that the Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application is amended as shown in Appendix "A" to this Order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2008.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

A.A. Rhodes  
Commissioner

Attachment

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority  
An Application for Approval to Re-Price Net Metering Services

**AMENDED REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DATES (2008)</b>
Commission Information Request to BC Hydro	Thursday, November 6
Registration Deadline for Intervenors and Interested Parties	Friday, November 7
Intervenor Information Requests to BC Hydro	Wednesday, November 19
BC Hydro Responses to Commission Information Requests	Thursday, November 20
BC Hydro Responses to Intervenor Information Requests	Friday, December 5
Intervenor Final Submissions	Friday, December 12
BC Hydro Final Submission	Friday, December 19