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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER** G-85-10

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

**and**

**the Insurance Corporation Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 228, as amended**

**and**

**A Streamlined Application by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia for approval of the 2010 Revenue  
Requirements for Universal Compulsory Automobile Insurance and  
An Application for Approval of a Plan Regarding Universal Compulsory Automobile Insurance  
Excess Capital Available**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner

May 25, 2010

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On April 6, 2010 the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the Commission) issued Order G-65-10 approving the Amended Streamlined Process Application, subject to directives contained in the Reasons for Decision, which set out the process to be followed for future revenue requirements applications meeting specified criteria relating to universal compulsory automobile insurance; and
- B. Pursuant to Order G-65-10 Reasons for Decision, the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) was directed to file within 60 days of the decision date, or at the time of filing a revenue requirements application, an application proposing a plan to deal with Basic insurance capital in excess of 150 percent of the minimum capital test (MCT) as at December 31, 2010; and
- C. On May 6, 2010, ICBC filed, in accordance with Order G-65-10 Reasons for Decision, a letter proposing a revised timeline for Streamlined Regulatory Processes which the Commission approved on May 13, 2010, subject to one modification; and
- D. On May 17, 2010 ICBC advised the Commission that:
  - a. ICBC will file its 2010 revenue requirements application according to the Streamlined Regulatory Process on May 31, 2010 (the 2010 Streamlined RRA); and

- b. The 2010 Streamlined RRA will include a proposal for dealing with Basic insurance excess capital in excess of 150 percent of the MCT as at December 31, 2009; and
- E. By way of ICBC's May 17, 2010 letter, Commission staff and Interveners from the 2009 Application for a Streamlined Regulatory Process and 2007 Revenue Requirements proceedings were advised of an informal presentation by ICBC on the 2010 Streamlined RRA to be held on June 7, 2010 commencing at 9.00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1125 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC.
- F. The Commission has reviewed ICBC's proposed Regulatory Timetable and determines that a Regulatory Timetable, as requested by ICBC, is required.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

1. A Written Public Hearing Process to be established for the review of the application and sets the Regulatory Timetable for the hearing as attached in Appendix A to this Order.
2. ICBC will publish, by Thursday, June 3, 2010, in display-ad format, the Notice of Review Working Session, in the following local news publications so as to properly provide adequate notice to the public: Cranbrook Daily Townsman/Kimberly Daily Bulletin, Dawson Creek Daily News, Fort St. John Alaska Highway News, Kamloops Daily News, Kelowna Daily Courier, Alberni Valley Times, Nanaimo Daily News, Nelson Daily News, Penticton Herald, Prince George Citizen, Prince Rupert Daily News, Trail Daily Times, Victoria Times Colonist, Vancouver Sun, and Vancouver Province.
3. Interveners and Interested Parties are to register with the Commission, in writing or by electronic submission, by Thursday, June 10, 2010. Interveners are to state the nature of their interest in the proceeding and advise whether they will be attending the Review Working Session to occur on Thursday, June 17, 2010.
4. The Review Working Session with respect to the 2010 Streamlined RRA will be held commencing at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 17, 2010 in the Commission's Hearing Room on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1125 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC.
5. Parties wishing to identify matters of interest regarding the content of the 2010 Streamlined RRA for consideration at the Review Working Session are to advise ICBC of such issues in writing or by electronic submission, by no later than Thursday, June 10, 2010.
6. The 2010 Streamlined RRA filing and supporting material will be made available for inspection at ICBC locations including, Kelowna, Prince George, and the Head Office of ICBC at 151 West Esplanade, North Vancouver, BC, on ICBC's website, and at the Commission Offices, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver BC V6Z 2N3.
7. ICBC is to provide a copy of this Order and the Regulatory Timetable attached as Appendix A to this Order to all participants of the 2007 Revenue Requirements Application and the Streamlined Regulatory Process Application proceedings.

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8. Interveners intending to apply for participant assistance must submit a budget estimate by Tuesday, June 22, 2010, consistent with the Commission's Participant Assistance/Cost Award Guidelines and Order G-72-07. Copies are available upon request or can be downloaded from the Commission's web site at <http://www.bcuc.com>.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

L.F. Kelsey  
Commissioner

Attachment

A Streamlined Application by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia  
for approval of the 2010 Revenue Requirements for Universal Compulsory Insurance  
and  
An Application for Approval of a Plan Regarding Universal Compulsory Automobile Insurance  
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**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

<b>ACTION:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
Intervener and Interested Party Registration Deadline	Thursday, June 10, 2010
Identification of Matters of Interest to ICBC (if any)	Thursday, June 10, 2010
Review Working Session*	Thursday, June 17, 2010
BCUC and Intervener Information Requests (IRs) to ICBC	Tuesday, June 29, 2010
ICBC Letter to BCUC on Disputed IRs (if required)	Monday, July 5, 2010
Intervener Comments on Disputed IRs (if required)	Wednesday, July 7, 2010
Commission Ruling on Disputed IRs (if required)	Monday, July 12, 2010
ICBC IR Responses to BCUC and Interveners	Tuesday, July 20, 2010
Intervener Letters of Comment	Wednesday, August 4, 2010
ICBC Reply Submission	Tuesday, August 17, 2010

\*Location: Commission Hearing Room  
12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1125 Howe Street  
Vancouver, BC V6Z 2K8  
Commencing at 9:00 a.m.

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### **NOTICE OF REVIEW WORKING SESSION**

**Date of Review Working Session:**  
**Time:**

**Thursday, June 17, 2010**  
Commencing at 9:00 a.m.

**Location:**

Commission Hearing Room  
12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1125 Howe Street  
Vancouver, BC V6Z 2K8

### **THE APPLICATION**

By Order G-65-10 the Commission determined that if, in future years, ICBC's actuarially indicated rate change for Basic insurance meets the criteria as specified in that Order, then ICBC may file a Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application to be addressed in a Written Public Hearing process as described in that Order.

On May 31, 2010, ICBC filed a 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application for Basic insurance including an Application for approval of a plan regarding Basic insurance excess capital available (the 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application). In the Application, ICBC applied for approval of revenue requirements for its 2010 policy year and approval of a plan for Basic insurance excess capital available. The Application met the criteria for a streamlined revenue requirements application as specified in Order G-65-10 as it seeks a rate change that is either a rate decrease of -1% or greater, and less than or equal to a 2.5% increase.

### **THE REGULATORY PROCESS**

The Commission wishes to ensure that all parties affected by ICBC's 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application for Basic insurance have an opportunity to understand the basis for the Application. The 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application will be reviewed in accordance with Commission Order G-85-10. A Review Working Session with respect to the 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application will be held at the Commission Hearing Room on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1125 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC on Thursday, June 17, 2010 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

## **PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE APPLICATION**

The Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at the following ICBC field office locations:

- Kelowna Claim Centre, 1720 Springfield Road, Kelowna, BC
- Prince George Claim Centre, 4001 - 15th Avenue, Prince George, BC

The Application and supporting material will also be made available at the ICBC Head Office at 151 West Esplanade, North Vancouver, BC, on the ICBC website at <http://www.icbc.com>, and at the Commission Offices, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver BC

## **REGISTERING TO PARTICIPATE**

Persons who expect to attend the Review Working Session and actively participate in the process should register as Interveners with the Commission. Interveners will receive copies of the filings, all correspondence and filed documents.

Persons with an interest in the proceedings but who are not expecting to actively participate should register as Interested Parties and will receive a copy of the Introductory Chapter of the filings, all Orders issued, and the Commission's Decision, if applicable.

Interveners and Interested Parties should inform the Commission Secretary, in writing or electronic submission, by Thursday, June 10, 2010 of their intentions, and advise whether they intend to attend the Review Working Session. Interveners should specifically state the nature of their interest in the 2010 Streamlined Revenue Requirements Application and identify generally the nature of the issues that they may intend to pursue during the proceeding and the nature and extent of their anticipated involvement in the review of the application. Notification by courier delivery, fax, or e-mail is acceptable.

All submissions and/or correspondence received from active participants or the public relating to the application will be placed on the public record and posted to the Commission's web site.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

A copy of the document "Understanding Utility Regulation: A Participants' Guide to the British Columbia Utilities Commission" is available on the Commission's website at [http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/Participant\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/Participant_Guide.pdf).

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