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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER** G-53-10A

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

and

British Columbia Transmission Corporation

and

An Application for Fiscal 2011 Transmission Revenue Requirement and Rate Changes

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
D.A. Cote, Commissioner

April 1, 2010

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 4, 2010, the British Columbia Transmission Corporation (BCTC) filed an application (the Application) to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the BCUC), pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (the Act), for approval of permanent rates for Fiscal 2011 (F2011), effective April 1, 2010; and
- B. Pursuant to section 89 of the Act, BCTC applied to the Commission to amend its rates effective April 1, 2010 on an interim basis; and
- C. BCTC states that it is not necessary to change existing rates in respect to BCTC Revenue Requirement and Asset Management and Maintenance Revenue Requirement; and
- D. The Application consist of 5 parts: F2011 BC Hydro Owner Revenue Requirement, Capital Plant In-Service Portfolio, F2011 Allowed Return on Deemed Equity, F2011 Point-to-Point Transmission Service Revenue Forecast, Overall Transmission Revenue Requirement and Impact on Rates calculation; and
- E. BCTC believes that a minimum process is required to review the parts of the application that is directly attributable to BCTC and suggests a written review process; and
- F. By letter dated March 11, 2010, the BCUC asked all interveners registered in the previous revenue requirement proceeding to comment on the appropriate regulatory process to review this Application, including the option for a Negotiated Settlement process; and
- G. The majority of interveners that have submitted comments to the Commission by the deadline date of March 17, 2010 appear to be in favour of a written review process; and
- H. Commission Order G-53-10 concluded that interim rates for F2011 should be approved and a written public hearing process to deal with the Application was determined; and
- I. Upon further review, the Commission establishes that an amendment to Order G-53-10 is required.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. Commission Order G-53-10 is rescinded and replaced with this Order.
2. The Commission establishes a Written Public Hearing Process for the review of the Application and sets the Regulatory Timetable for the proceeding that is attached as Appendix A.
3. Pursuant to section 89 of the Act, the Commission establishes on an interim basis the rates set out in Table 6-7 column (e) of the Application, effective April 1, 2010.
4. BCTC is to file to the Commission Interim Tariff pages in accordance with the terms of this order on a timely basis.
5. The difference between the F2011 interim rates and permanent rates that are determined by the Commission following consideration of the Application is subject to refund or recovery with interest calculated at BCTC's most recent annual weighted cost of debt as set out in the Commission Order that establishes permanent rates for BCTC.
6. The Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at BCTC's office at Suite 1100, Four Bentall Centre, 1055 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC, V7X 1V5 and at the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC, V6Z 2N3.
7. Interveners and Interested Parties should inform the Commission in writing or register on-line via the Commission's website at <http://www.bcuc.com> by Friday, April 2, 2010 of their intention to actively intervene in the proceeding, or become Interested Parties. Registered Interveners will receive from BCTC copies of the Application, all correspondence and filed documentation. Interested Parties will receive copies of all Orders issued.
8. 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.
9. BCTC is to provide a copy of this Order to all registered interveners from the BCTC F2009-F2010 Revenue Requirements proceeding and the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *First* day of April 2010.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2010)
Registration of Interveners and Interested Parties	Friday, April 2
Commission Information Request	Friday, April 23
Intervener Information Requests	Friday, April 30
BCTC Response to Commission and Intervener Information Requests	Thursday, May 13
BCTC Written Final Submission	Thursday, May 20
Intervener Written Final Submission	Thursday, May 27
BCTC Written Reply Submission	Thursday, June 3