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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER G-203-11**

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

**and**

**British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority  
Application to Amend Tariff Supplement No. 74 -  
Customer Baseline Load Determination Guidelines and CBL Adjustment Tariff Practices**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner  
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner  
R.D. Revel, Commissioner  
December 1, 2011

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On August 19, 2011, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed its Application to Amend Tariff Supplement No. 74 – Customer Baseline Load (CBL) Determination Guidelines (Application);
- B. On September 22, 2011, the Commission issued Letter L-79-11 inviting BC Hydro Transmission Service Rate (TSR) Customers to comment on the proposed amendments by October 12, 2011 and inviting BC Hydro to respond to any comments by October 26, 2011;
- C. By October 12, 2011, the Commission received comment from seven TSR customers expressing support for the amendments. The Commission also received comment from one TSR customer, Catalyst Paper Corporation, that demand-side management (DSM) persistence and how it applies to customer-funded DSM projects remains an issue. The Commission also received comment from the Association of Major Power Customers of British Columbia (AMPC) that DSM persistence and treatment of plant turndowns and returns to normal activity not associated with full or partial equipment shutdowns remain as issues. AMPC states it supports a hearing limited to these two issues;
- D. On October 26, 2011 BC Hydro provided its response and one further TSR customer letter of support for the amendments. BC Hydro suggested further process is needed and proposed a workshop to present and discuss the two issues;
- E. On November 2, 2011 AMPC filed a letter in which it opposed the workshop. AMPC proposed information requests, intervenor evidence, and an oral hearing on the two issues; and
- F. The Commission has considered the Application, and the customer and BC Hydro responses. The Commission has determined that a proceeding is required to review the issues raised by AMPC.

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

1. BC Hydro is directed to provide a copy of this Order, the Application, and AMPC's October 12, 2011 letter to all Transmission Service Customers by Tuesday, December 6, 2011, with attached information on how those customers could intervene in this process if they so choose.
2. The scope of the proceeding is limited to the two issues identified by AMPC: the Energy Savings Persistence Amendment described at pages 5 - 6 of the Application; and the Treatment of Plant Turndowns and Returns to Normal Activity not Associated with Full or Partial Equipment Shutdowns described at pages 2-3 of AMPC's October 12, 2011 letter.
3. The following Regulatory Timetable is established:

**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Registration of Interveners	Thursday, December 15, 2011
Commission and Intervener Information Requests to BC Hydro	Wednesday, December 21, 2011
BC Hydro Responses to Information Requests	Wednesday, January 18, 2012
Intervener Evidence	Wednesday, February 1, 2012
Commission and BC Hydro Information Requests to Interveners	Wednesday, February 15, 2012
Intervener Responses to Information Requests	Wednesday, February 29, 2012
BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence, if any	Wednesday, March 7, 2012
Further Process, to be decided	

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *First* day of December 2011.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

L.F. Kelsey  
Commissioner