

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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

and

An Application by Zeballos Lake Hydro Limited Partnership for Acceptance of a Mitigation Plan required for Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standard

PER-002-0 Requirement 2 - Violation ID: BCUC201200365 PER-002-0 Requirement 3 - Violation ID: BCUC201200366 PER-002-0 Requirement 4 - Violation ID: BCUC201200367

**BEFORE:** David Morton, Commissioner September 20, 2012

#### ORDER

#### WHEREAS:

- A. Section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Act) assigns exclusive jurisdiction to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) to determine whether a "reliability standard," as defined in the Act, is in the public interest and should be adopted in British Columbia. By Order G-123-09, the Commission approved the Compliance Monitoring Program (CMP) for monitoring and enforcement of adopted reliability standards and appointed the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) as its Administrator for registration and monitoring compliance as per section 8 of the Act;
- B. Commission Order G-67-09 requires entities subject to approved Mandatory Reliability Standards to file mitigation plans outlining how they plan to achieve compliance;
- C. Pursuant to Section 5.3 of the CMP, a Mitigation Plan with respect to an Alleged Violation may be submitted at any time, and a Mitigation Plan with respect to a Confirmed Violation must be submitted within ten business days following confirmation by the Commission;
- D. On July 31, 2012, Zeballos Lake Hydro Limited Partnership (ZLHP) submitted a Mitigation Plan to address the alleged violation of Reliability Standard PER-002-0R2, R3 and R4. The proposed completion date for the Mitigation Plan is September 14, 2012;
- E. By letter dated September 5, 2012, WECC recommended acceptance of the following Mitigation Plan to bring ZLHP into compliance with the standard identified below:

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| Reliability Standard | BCUC Violation ID | Completion Date    |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| PER-002-0 R2         | BCUC201200365     | September 14, 2012 |
| PER-002-0 R3         | BCUC201200366     | September 14, 2012 |
| PER-002-0 R4         | BCUC201200367     | September 14, 2012 |

F. The Commission has reviewed WECC's recommendation and considers approval is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 125.2 (10) of the Act and in accordance with the Compliance Monitoring Program, the Commission accepts WECC's recommendation and approves the Mitigation Plan with completion date as identified above.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D.M. Morton Commissioner