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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER R-51-12**

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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
Confirmation of Alleged Violation of Mandatory Reliability Standard
PRC-005-1 Requirement 2 – Violation ID: BCUC201100287**

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
D.M. Morton, Commissioner
R.D. Revel, Commissioner

August 30, 2012

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. Order G-123-09 approved the Compliance Monitoring Program (CMP) which provides a process for dealing with violations to Mandatory Reliability Standards (MRS) adopted by the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission);
- B. On July 25, 2012, the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), acting as the Commission's MRS Administrator, issued a Notice of Alleged Violation (NOAV) to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) for Violation of Reliability Standard PRC-005-1 Requirement 2 (Violation ID BCUC201100287) beginning on November 1, 2010. The NOAV described the nature of the violation and provided an assessment of the severity of the violation;
- C. On July 25, 2012, WECC also advised BC Hydro of its rights under Section 4.2 of the CMP, pursuant to which BC Hydro has thirty days (30) to respond to the NOAV. The CMP also states if BC Hydro fails to respond within 30 days, the Commission may consider the Alleged Violation in the absence of a submission;
- D. BC Hydro did not respond within the allotted time period;
- E. The Commission has reviewed WECC's recommendation and considers confirmation of the violation is warranted.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 4.1 of the Compliance Monitoring Program, the Commission confirms the Alleged Violation identified above. At a later date, the Commission may initiate a process leading to the determination of the severity of the violation.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th day of September 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D.M. Morton
Commissioner