

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 Rio Tinto Alcan for Acceptance of Mitigation Plans required for Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standards: FAC-003-1 Requirement 1 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000416 FAC-003-1 Requirement 2 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000417

BEFORE: D.M. Morton, Commissioner June 20, 2013

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 May 31, 2013, Rio Tinto Alcan (RTA) submitted Mitigation Plans to address the alleged violation of Reliability Standards FAC-003-1R1 and R2. The proposed completion date for both Mitigation Plans is May 29, 2014;
- E. By letters dated June 18, 2013, WECC recommended acceptance of the following Mitigation Plans to bring RTA into compliance with the standards identified below:

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Reliability Standard	BCUC Violation ID	Completion Date
FAC-003-1 R1	BCUC2013000416	May 29, 2014
FAC-003-1 R2	BCUC2013000417	May 29, 2014

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

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 125.2 (10) of the *Utilities Commission Act* and in accordance with the Compliance Monitoring Program, the British Columbia Utilities Commission accepts the Western Electricity Coordinating Council's recommendation and approves the Mitigation Plans with completion dates as identified above.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of June 2013.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D. Morton Commissioner