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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER R-39-14**

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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 Standard:
PER-002-0 Requirement 3 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000423

BEFORE: D.M. Morton, Commissioner

September 5, 2014

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. Section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) assigns exclusive jurisdiction to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) to determine whether a "reliability standard," as defined in the UCA, 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 UCA. WECC's role as Administrator for the BC MRS Program was renewed in the first amended Administration Agreement, dated August 21, 2014;
- 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 (MP) with respect to an Alleged Violation may be submitted at any time, and a MP with respect to a Confirmed Violation must be submitted within ten business days following confirmation by the Commission;
- D. On July 30, 2014, Rio Tinto Alcan (RTA) submitted a Mitigation Plan to address the alleged violation of Reliability Standard PER-002-0 R3 with a proposed completion date of August 31, 2014;
- E. By email notification dated August 21, 2014, WECC recommended acceptance of the following MP to bring RTA into compliance with the standard identified below:

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Alleged Violation	BCUC Violation ID	Date MP submitted to WECC	Proposed Completion Date
PER-002-0 R3	BCUC2013000423	July 30, 2014	August 31, 2014

F. The Commission has reviewed WECC's recommendation and considers acceptance 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 accepts the Mitigation Plan with completion date as identified above.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 5th day of September 2014.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D.M. Morton
Commissioner