BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Order Number R-23-15

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

> > and

Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. Application for Acceptance of a Mitigation Plan required for Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standard: FAC-008-1 Requirement 1 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000469

BEFORE: D. M. Morton, Commissioner

April 14, 2015

ORDER

## 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 Mandatory Reliability Standards (MRS) Program was renewed in the first amended Administration Agreement, dated August 21, 2014;
- B. Pursuant to section 5 of the CMP, an entity subject to approved Mandatory Reliability Standards found in Confirmed Violation of a reliability standard must prepare a Mitigation Plan (MP) to correct the Confirmed Violation or prepare a description of how the Confirmed Violation has been mitigated. An MP with respect to a Confirmed Violation must be submitted to the Administrator within ten business days following confirmation by the Commission;
- C. An MP with respect to an Alleged Violation may be submitted at any time and the Commission encourages entities to mitigate all perceived instances of noncompliance upon detection;
- D. On February 6, 2015, Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. (Innergex) submitted an MP (Version 1) to address the alleged violation of Reliability Standard FAC-008-1 R1 with the proposed completion date of February 27, 2015. On March 5, 2015, Innergex requested the proposed completion date be extended to March 27, 2015;



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E. By email notification dated April 7, 2015, WECC recommended acceptance of the following MP to bring Innergex into compliance with the Reliability Standard identified below:

| Alleged Violation | BCUC Violation ID | Date MP (Version 1)<br>Submitted to WECC | Proposed Completion<br>Date |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| FAC-008-1 R1      | BCUC2013000469    | February 6, 2015                         | March 27, 2015              |

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F. The Commission 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 Mitigation Plan with the completion date as identified above as recommended by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council.

| DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, | this 14th | day of April 2015. |
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BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D. M. Morton Commissioner