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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER R-51-15**

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IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Rio Tinto Alcan
Application for Acceptance of a Mitigation Plan required for
Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standard:
PER-002-0 Requirement 3 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000486
and Dismissal of
PER-002-0 Requirement 3 - Violation ID: BCUC2013000423

BEFORE: D. M. Morton, Commissioner

November 2, 2015

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 Mandatory Reliability Standards (MRS) Program was renewed in the first amended Administration Agreement, dated August 21, 2014. The CMP was revised and updated by Commission Order R-34-15, dated June 3, 2015;
- 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 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 June 4, 2013, Rio Tinto Alcan (RTA) submitted a Self-Report addressing the possible noncompliance with Reliability Standard PER-002-0R3, which was assigned the Violation ID: BCUC 2013000423. On June 14,

- | Alleged/Confirmed Violation | BCUC Violation ID | Date MP (Version 1) Submitted to WECC | Proposed Completion Date |
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| PER-002-0 R3 | BCUC2013000423 | July 30, 2014 | August 31, 2014 |
| PER-002-0 R3 | BCUC2013000486 | July 30, 2014 | August 31, 2014 |

- 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 dismisses the possible noncompliance with PER-002-0R3 assigned Violation ID: BCUC2013000423 and accepts the Mitigation Plan with the completion date as identified above for PER-002-0R3 assigned Violation ID: BCUC2013000486.

D. M. Morton
Commissioner