

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

NUMBER R-59-15

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

and

Teck Metals Limited

Confirmation of Alleged Violation of Mandatory Reliability Standards:

PRC-005-1 Requirement 1 – Violation ID: BCUC2014000532

PRC-005-1 Requirement 2 – Violation ID: BCUC2014000533

BEFORE: D. M. Morton, Commissioner December 10, 2015

ORDER

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) and Order R-34-15 approved revisions and updates to the CMP;
- B. On July 8, 2015, the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), acting as the Commission's MRS Administrator, issued a Notice of Alleged Violation (NOAV) to Teck Metals Limited (Teck) for the alleged violation of the Reliability Standards listed above. The NOAV described the nature of the Alleged Violations and provided an assessment of the severity of the Alleged Violations;
- C. On July 8, 2015, WECC also advised Teck of its rights pursuant to the CMP, whereby the Entity has 30 days to respond to the NOAV. The CMP also states if the Entity fails to respond within 30 days, the Commission may consider the Alleged Violations in the absence of a submission;
- D. Pursuant to the CMP, the Entity is not required to, but may, prepare a Mitigation Plan for an Alleged Violation at any time and the Entity must submit a Mitigation Plan for a Confirmed Violation within 10 business days following confirmation by the Commission;
- E. On August 6, 2015, Teck responded to the NOAV stating it was in agreement with the Alleged Violations and that it had submitted Mitigation Plans for the Alleged Violations. Because Teck responded that it disputed two separate Alleged Violations cited in the NOAV, WECC and Teck embarked on a process to revise the NOAV;

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- F. On October 22, 2015, WECC issued a Revised NOAV which did not alter the facts or description of the Alleged Violations noted above. On November 19, 2015, Teck responded to the Revised NOAV, confirming it did not contest these Alleged Violations, and;
- G. The Commission has reviewed WECC's recommendation and considers confirmation of the Alleged Violations is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the Compliance Monitoring Program, the British Columbia Utilities Commission confirms the Alleged Violations identified as PRC-005-1 R1 and R2 above.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

day of December 2015.

BY ORDER

D. M. Morton Commissioner