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ORDER NUMBER G-36-16

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Transmission Service Rate Customer Baseline Loads F2015 and F2016 Application

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Commissioner H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner K. A. Keilty, Commissioner R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on March 17, 2016

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 13, 2016, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 58 to 61, 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 15 of the *Administrative Tribunals Act*, the Transmission Service Rate (TSR) Customer Baseline Load (CBL) F2015 and F2016 Application (Application);
- B. Specifically, the Application requests approval for:
 - i. On a final and permanent basis, Final Adjusted F2015 CBLs, effective April 1, 2014;
 - ii. On an interim basis, Interim F2016 CBLs, effective April 1, 2015;
 - iii. On a final and permanent basis, the placement of specific customers on Rate Schedule 1823A effective April 1, 2014; and
 - iv. On an interim basis the placement of specific customers on Rate Schedule 1823A effective April 1, 2015;
- C. BC Hydro states that pursuant to section 6.2.1 of the Customer Baseline Load Determination Guidelines (Tariff Supplement 74 or TS 74), it submitted all CBL determinations reflected in the Application to the TSR CBL customer (Customer) for review and comment prior to filing the Application;
- D. Pursuant to TS 74, all CBLs and any decision to put a customer on Rate Schedule 1823A are subject to final approval by the Commission;
- E. On February 1, 2016, the Commission directed BC Hydro to transmit to its Customer a letter (Letter) from the Commission requesting any Customer that disputes its Final Adjusted F2015 CBL or Interim F2016 CBL, as proposed by BC Hydro in the Application, to notify the Commission in writing on or before, February 16, 2016;

- F. The Letter also established that if a notice of dispute is not received by the date noted above, the Commission will consider all parties to be in agreement with the CBLs filed in the Application;
- G. No Customer notified the Commission of a dispute in response to the Letter;
- H. BC Hydro filed a public and a confidential version of the Application. The confidential version includes a complete version of Appendices A, B, C and D;
- I. In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures, Part IV, section 18, BC Hydro is requesting that Appendices A, B, C and D be held in confidence as they contain commercially sensitive information; and
- J. The Commission reviewed the Application and considers that approval is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 58 to 61, and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders as follows:

- The Final Adjusted F2015 Customer Baseline Loads (CBLs), effective April 1, 2014, and the placement of specified customers on Rate Scheule 1823 Energy Charge A (RS 1823A) during F2015, in the column identified as "Final Adjusted F2014 CBL for Final Approval" contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on a final and permanent basis.
- 2. The F2016 Interim CBLs, effective April 1, 2015, and the placement of specified customers on RS 1823A, in the column identified as "Interim F2016 CBL for Interim Approval" contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on an interim basis until further application.
- 3. In its next formal application for amendments to Tariff Supplement 74 (TS 74), British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority must address if modifications should be made to TS 74 to remove the sentence on page 37 which states that "[a]II Energy CBLs and any decision to put a customer on RS 1823A will be subject to final approval by the BCUC."
- 4. The information in Appendices A, B, C and D will be held in confidence as they contain commercially sensitive information.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 17th day of March 2016.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner