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## ORDER NUMBER G-20-17

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority F2017 to F2019 Revenue Requirements Application

#### **BEFORE:**

D. M. Morton, Commissioner / Panel Chair D. J. Enns, Commissioner K. A. Keilty, Commissioner

on February 17, 2017

### **ORDER**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On July 28, 2016, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed its Fiscal 2017 to Fiscal 2019 Revenue Requirements Application (Application) pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting, among other things, final approval to increase rates by an average of 4.0 percent effective April 1, 2016, 3.5 percent effective April 1, 2017 and 3.0 percent effective April 1, 2018 and acceptance of the demand-side measurements expenditure schedules under section 44.2 of the UCA;
- B. By Orders G-130-16A on August 9, 2016, and G-144-16 on September 7, 2016, the Commission established regulatory timetables for the review of the Application;
- C. By Order G-7-17 on January 20, 2017, the Commission ordered the review of the Application to be heard through a written hearing process and established a regulatory timetable;
- D. On February 1, 2017, the Association of Major Power Customers (AMPC) filed a letter requesting a one week extension to the current February 3, 2017 deadline for the filing of intervener evidence pursuant to the regulatory timetable established by Order G-7-17. AMPC explained that it is awaiting certain information request No. 2 responses from BC Hydro which are required in order for AMPC to prepare and file its contemplated intervener evidence;
- E. On February 2, 2017, the Commission issued a letter in response to AMPC's request and suspended the regulatory timetable established by Order G-7-17;
- F. On February 9, 2017, the Commission issued a subsequent letter inviting the parties to make submissions on a Commission proposed regulatory timetable;

- G. Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia; BC Old Age Pensioners Organization *et al.*; BC Sustainable Energy Association and Sierra Club of British Columbia; Canadian Office and Professional Employees Union, Local 378; Zone II Ratepayers Group; Clean Energy Association of BC; AMPC; Non-Intergrated Areas Ratepayers Group; Richard Landale; Richard McCandless and BC Hydro filed submissions;
- H. None of the parties objected to the regulatory timetable proposed by the Commission other than Zone II Ratepayers Group who identified availability concerns and requested that an additional week be added to the regulatory timetable for responses to information requests on intervener evidence and also suggested postponing the subsequent dates in the regulatory timebable by one week;
- I. The Commission has considered the submissions made by the parties and finds that a regulatory timetable should be established.

**NOW THEREFORE,** the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders the review of the of British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's Fiscal 2017 to Fiscal 2019 Revenue Requirements Application to proceed in accordance with the regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2017.

**BY ORDER** 

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton
Commissioner

Attachment

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## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

ACTION	DATE (2017) With Rebuttal Evidence	DATE (2017) Without Rebuttal Evidence
Intervener Evidence	Monday, February 27	Monday, February 27
Commission, BC Hydro and Intervener Information Requests (IRs) on Intervener Evidence	Friday, March 10	Friday, March 10
Intervener Responses to IRs on Intervener Evidence	Monday, March 27	Monday, March 27
BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence	Wednesday, April 5	
Commission and Intervener IRs on BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence	Monday, April 24	
BC Hydro Response to IRs on Rebuttal Evidence	Thursday, May 11	
BC Hydro Final Argument	Tuesday, May 23	Friday, March 31
Intervener Final Argument	Tuesday, June 13	Tuesday, April 25
BC Hydro Reply Argument	Tuesday, July 4	Wednesday, May 17