



ORDER NUMBER
G-47-17

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

and

Nelson Hydro
2017 Rate Application

BEFORE:

D. A. Cote, Commissioner / Panel Chair
B. A. Magnan, Commissioner
M. Kresivo, QC, Commissioner

on March 23, 2017

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 10, 2017, Nelson Hydro filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval to increase its electrical rates for its non-municipal customers by 4.28 percent, effective April 1, 2017 (Application);
- B. The rate increase will be applied uniformly to all Nelson Hydro ratepayers receiving service both inside and outside of the City of Nelson's municipal boundaries; however, the approvals sought in the Application pertain solely to Nelson Hydro's non-municipal ratepayers;
- C. Nelson Hydro states in the Application that the rate increase is comprised of, among other things, inflationary increases in operating expenses. The implementation of the 4.28 percent general rate increase effective April 1, 2017, results in an effective rate increase of approximately 2.96 percent for the calendar year;
- D. By Order G-27-17 dated March 1, 2017, the Commission approved Nelson Hydro's applied for rate increase of 4.28 percent on an interim and refundable basis, effective April 1, 2017. The Commission also directed Nelson Hydro to file supplementary information related to the Application and established a deadline for intervenor registration; and
- E. The Commission considers that establishment of a regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 58-61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission establishes a regulatory timetable for the review of the Nelson Hydro 2017 Rate Application, as outlined in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of March 2017.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. A. Cote
Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2017)
Intervener Participant Assistance/Cost Award Budget Deadline	Wednesday, April 12
Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 1	Wednesday, April 12
Nelson Hydro Response to Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 1	Thursday, April 27
Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 2	Thursday, May 11
Nelson Hydro Response to Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 2	Thursday, May 25
Letters of Comment Deadline	Thursday, May 25
Nelson Hydro Written Final Argument	Thursday, June 1
Intervener Written Final Argument	Thursday, June 15
Nelson Hydro Reply Argument	Thursday, June 22