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ORDER NUMBER G-55-19

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
F2018 and F2019 Application

BEFORE:

R. I. Mason, Commissioner A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner

H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner

M. Kresivo, QC, Commissioner

E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

T. A. Loski, Commissioner

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on March 14, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 15, 2018, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), 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) F2018 and F2019 Application (Application);
- B. In the Application, BC Hydro seeks the following BCUC approvals:
 - i. On a final and permanent basis, the "Final Adjusted F2018 CBL for Final Approval" column contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2017;
 - ii. On an interim basis, the "Interim F2019 CBL for Interim Approval" column contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2018;
 - iii. On a final and permanent basis, the placement of specific customers on Rate Schedule 1823A (RS1823A) as contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2017; and
 - iv. On an interim basis, the placement of specific customers on RS 1823A as contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2018

- C. By Order G-49-18 dated March 1, 2018, the BCUC approved the F2018 Interim CBLs and the placement of specified customers on RS 1823A, both effective April 1, 2017, on an interim basis until further application;
- D. In the Application, BC Hydro states that pursuant to section 6.2.1 of the Tariff Supplement No. 74 CBL Determination Guidelines (Guidelines), BC Hydro submitted all CBL determinations reflected in the Application to the TSR CBL customer (Customer) for review and comment prior to filing the Application;
- E. Pursuant to the Guidelines, all CBLs and any decision to put a customer on Rate Schedule 1823A are subject to final approval by the BCUC;
- F. On December 11, 2018, the BCUC directed BC Hydro to transmit to its Customer a letter (BCUC Letter) from the BCUC requesting any Customer that disputes its Final Adjusted F2018 CBL or Interim F2019 CBL, as proposed by BC Hydro in the Application, to notify the BCUC in writing on or before, January 4, 2019;
- G. The BCUC Letter also established that if a notice of dispute is not received by the date noted above, the BCUC will consider all parties to be in agreement with the CBLs filed in the Application;
- H. The BCUC received no disputes by January 4, 2019;
- I. BC Hydro requests that Appendices A, B, and C of the Application and the associated customer information be held in confidence as they contain commercially sensitive information; and
- J. The BCUC has 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:

- 1. The Final Adjusted F2018 CBLs, effective April 1, 2017, in the column identified as "Final Adjusted F2018 CBL for Final Approval" contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on a final and permanent basis.
- 2. The placement of specified customers on RS 1823A in F2018 contained in Appendix A of the Application, is approved on a final and permanent basis.
- 3. The F2019 Interim CBLs, effective April 1, 2018, in the column identified as "Interim F2019 CBL for Interim Approval" contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on an interim basis until further application.
- 4. The placement of specified customers on RS 1823A in F2019 contained in Appendix A of the Application, is approved on an interim basis until further application.
- 5. The BCUC will hold confidential the information in Appendices A, B, and C of the Application and the associated customer information as they contain commercially sensitive information.
- 6. For future applications of this nature, BC Hydro is directed to provide a greater degree of justification for determinations for customers who remain on RS1823A for extended periods.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14th day of March 2019.

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Original signed by:

R.I. Mason Commissioner