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ORDER NUMBER G-92-19

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Electric Tariff Terms and Conditions Amendments Application

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair C. M. Brewer, Commissioner A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner

on April 29, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 15, 2019, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed an Electric Tariff Terms and Conditions Amendments Application (Application) for British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) approval, pursuant to section 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA);
- B. BC Hydro submits that the proposed amendments to its Electric Tariff Terms and Conditions are to facilitate Residential Service Customers to charge their Zero Emission Vehicles at their Dwelling. The proposed amendments are intended to clarify (i) a Dwelling may include spaces such as parking stalls, storage areas, garage areas and similar areas or spaces that are used only for the benefit of a Customer, (ii) more than one meter may be installed at a Customer's Premises (including a Dwelling) and (iii) energy consumption for multiple Residential Service to different spaces within a Dwelling will be billed in aggregate, thereby treating the Customer as having one single Residential Service account (Rate Schedule 1101 or Rate Schedule 1107);
- C. The proposed Electric Tariff Terms and Conditions amendments relate to sections 1.2, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.2, 4.4.1 and 6.6.1 as described in the Application;
- D. On February 21, 2019 and April 5, 2019, BC Hydro submitted additional information in response to BCUC staff questions; and
- E. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and considers that approval of the proposed amendments is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The proposed amendments to sections 1.2, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.2, 4.4.1 and 6.6.1 of BC Hydro's Electric Tariff Terms and Conditions are approved, effective on the date of this Order.
- 2. Starting in the Fiscal 2020 Annual Report, BC Hydro is directed to file information regarding BC Hydro's experience resulting from the amended terms and conditions to facilitate Residential Service Customers to charge their Zero Emission Vehicles at their Dwelling. The reporting should include, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Number of accounts that have installed additional meters and whether BC Hydro is meeting the needs of customers.
 - b. Analysis of having one Basic Charge per account with additional meters and any plans to review the Basic Charge in a future process.
 - c. Analysis as to whether additional amendments to the Electric Tariff are appropriate for other rate classes that may have similar multi-unit characteristics such as commercial strata developments.

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

29th

day of April 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner