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#### ORDER NUMBER G-268-19

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Fiscal 2020 to Fiscal 2021 Revenue Requirements Application

#### **BEFORE:**

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on November 1, 2019

#### ORDER

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On February 25, 2019, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed its Fiscal 2020 to Fiscal 2021 (F2020–F2021) Revenue Requirements Application (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) pursuant to sections 44.2, 58 to 61 and 99 of the Utilities Commission Act requesting, among other things:
  - 1. approval of a reduction of the Deferral Account Rate Rider from 5 percent to 0 percent effective April 1, 2019;
  - 2. approval of an increase in rates by 6.85 percent effective April 1, 2019;
  - 3. approval of an increase in rates by 0.72 percent effective April 1, 2020; and
  - 4. approval of the F2020–F2021 Open Access Transmission Tariff rates as set out in Table 9-8 of the Application effective April 1, 2019 and April 1, 2020, respectively;
- B. On March 1, 2019, by Order G-45-19, the BCUC established a Regulatory Timetable for the initial review of the Application;
- C. By Orders G-146-19 and G-218-19, the Panel established and later amended a further Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application which provided for, among other things, responses to information requests (IR) on intervener evidence and BC Hydro rebuttal evidence, if any, to be filed on January 10, 2020 and January 15, 2020, respectively;
- D. By letter dated October 23, 2019, the Association of Major Power Customers of BC (AMPC) requested an extension to January 13, 2020 to file the portion of its responses to IRs on intervener evidence that may require input from its expert as its expert has limited availability prior to this date. AMPC also requested that

BC Hydro's deadline to file rebuttal evidence be extended to January 17, 2020 for the portion of the rebuttal evidence, if any, that relates to AMPC's IR responses that are to be filed on January 13, 2020. AMPC submits that BC Hydro has agreed to AMPC's proposed schedule; and

E. The BCUC has considered AMPC's letter dated October 23, 2019 and finds that an amendment to the Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the BCUC further amends the Regulatory Timetable amended by Order G-218-19. The further amended Regulatory Timetable is set out in Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of November 2019.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D. M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

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### **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2019)
BC Hydro responses to BCUC and Intervener IRs on 20-Year Load Forecast	Thursday, November 14
BC Hydro responses to Intervener IRs on COE Evidentiary Update	Thursday, November 14
Procedural Conference	Friday, November 22 commencing at 1 p.m.
Intervener Evidence	Tuesday, December 3
IRs on Intervener Evidence*	Tuesday, December 17

\* All parties may ask IRs on the intervener evidence filed

Action	Date (2020)
Responses to IRs on Intervener Evidence	Friday, January 10
AMPC responses to IRs on Intervener Evidence that require input from its expert (if any)	Monday, January 13
BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence (if any)	Wednesday, January 15
BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence (if any) on AMPC responses to IRs that require input from AMPC's expert	Friday, January 17
Oral Hearing	Commencing Monday, January 20
BC Hydro Final Argument	Two weeks after the oral hearing concludes
Intervener Final Arguments	Two weeks after BC Hydro Final Argument
BC Hydro Reply Argument	Two weeks after Intervener Final Arguments