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ORDER NUMBER G-269-19

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

and

British Columbia Utilities Commission Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry

BEFORE:

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

on November 1, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 11, 2019, by Order in Council (OIC) No. 108, made pursuant to section 5(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), the Lieutenant Governor in Council directed the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to advise the Lieutenant Governor in Council respecting the regulation of Indigenous utilities in accordance with the terms of reference set out in section 3 of OIC No. 108 (Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry);
- B. Section 3 of OIC No. 108 also provides that the BCUC must submit reports to the minister responsible for the Hydro and Power Authority Act, as follows:
 - 1. An interim report describing the BCUC's progress to date and the BCUC's preliminary findings must be submitted no later than December 31, 2019; and
 - 2. A final report describing the results of consultations undertaken by the BCUC and the BCUC's findings and recommendations must be submitted no later than January 31, 2020;
- C. By Order G-62-19 dated March 19, 2019, the BCUC established the Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry;
- D. By Order G-240-19 dated October 7, 2019, the BCUC issued a regulatory timetable for the Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry;
- E. By OIC No. 559 dated October 31, 2019, the Lieutenant Governor in Council amended section 3 of OIC No. 108 for the Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry by striking out "January 31, 2020" and substituting "April 30, 2020"; and

F. As a result, the BCUC considers that an amendment to the regulatory timetable for the Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC amends the regulatory timetable established by Order G-214-19. The amended regulatory timetable is attached as 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

British Columbia Utilities Commission Indigenous Utilities Regulation Inquiry

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date
Draft report issued for comment	Friday, November 1, 2019
Workshop – Prince George, Coast Inn of the North	Monday, November 18, 2019
Workshop – Kelowna, Sandman Hotel	Thursday, November 21, 2019
Workshop – Vancouver, Allwest Reporting (12 th Floor, 1125 Howe St)	Wednesday, November 27, 2019
Workshop – Nanaimo, Coast Bastion Hotel	Thursday, November 28, 2019
Workshop– Victoria, Comfort Inn & Suites	Friday, November 29, 2019
Workshop – Smithers, Hudson Bay Lodge	Monday, December 9, 2019
Interim Report issued to the minister responsible for the <i>Hydro and Power Authority Act</i>	Tuesday, December 31, 2019
Written comments on the draft report	Monday, March 2, 2020
Written reply to comments from other participants on draft report	Tuesday, March 31, 2020
Final Report issued to minister responsible for the Hydro and Power Authority Act	Thursday, April 30, 2020