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ORDER NUMBER G-281-19

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Application to Amend Net Metering Service under Rate Schedule 1289

BEFORE:

D. A. Cote, Panel Chair R. I. Mason, Commissioner R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on November 13, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 29, 2019, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed an application to seek approval from the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to, among other things, amend the Availability, Billing and Rate provisions in Rate Schedule 1289 (Application);
- B. By Order G-103-19A, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for the review of the Application, which includes one round of BCUC information requests (IRs) and one round of intervener IRs, followed by BC Hydro and intervener submission on further process and further process to be determined. The regulatory timetable was amended by Order G-144-19 and Order G-185-19;
- C. By September 3, 2019, the BCUC received submissions on further process from BC Hydro, BC Community Solar Coalition, BC Sustainable Energy Association, BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al., Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia, City of Fort St. John, Net Metering Ratepayer Group (NMRG), and Mr. Hadland;
- D. By Order G-217-19A dated September 16, 2019, the BCUC established the remainder of the regulatory timetable for the review of the Application;
- E. By letter dated November 6, 2019, the NMRG requested an extension to the deadline for filing intervener evidence from November 7, 2019 to November 22, 2019;
- F. By Order G-276-19 dated November 7, 2019, the BCUC amended the regulatory timetable, which includes an extension to the deadline for filing intervener evidence to November 14, 2019;
- G. On November 12, 2019, the NMRG filed an application seeking reconsideration of the length of the extension granted for filing intervener evidence (Reconsideration Application); and

H. The BCUC has considered the information filed to date and considers a suspension to the review of the Application is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the Panel suspends the review of the Application to Amend Net Metering Service under Rate Schedule 1289 pending the outcome of the Reconsideration Application.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13th day of November 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. A. Cote Commissioner