



ORDER NUMBER
R-12-20

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

and

A Revised Audit Schedule for Monitoring Compliance with
British Columbia Reliability Standards in 2020

BEFORE:

W. M. Everett, QC, Commissioner
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on June 11, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 5, 2020, the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), acting as the Administrator for the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), submitted a recommendation (Recommendation) to defer the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) 2020 Compliance Audit by six months. WECC also submitted a revised 2020 Audit Schedule (Revised Audit Schedule) to the BCUC for approval, wherein BC Hydro is removed from Compliance Audit this year;
- B. Order G-123-09 approved the Rules of Procedure for Reliability Standards in British Columbia (ROP), including the Compliance Monitoring Program (CMP) appended thereto, setting out the administrative framework for monitoring compliance with adopted Reliability Standards in British Columbia (BC) and most recent revisions to the ROP and CMP were approved by Order R-40-17, dated September 1, 2017. The ROP define terms used in the BC Mandatory Reliability Standards Program which are capitalized in this order;
- C. Order G-123-09 also appointed WECC as the BCUC's Administrator to assist the BCUC in carrying out its functions related to Reliability Standards in the manner described in the Administration Agreement between WECC and the BCUC dated October 8, 2009, and renewed for a second time on July 5, 2019;
- D. Pursuant to section 3.1 of the CMP, by November 1 of each year, the Administrator will propose an Implementation Plan for the following calendar year for BCUC approval;
- E. By Order R-28-19, dated November 7, 2019, the BCUC approved the 2020 Implementation Plan including Appendix A: Actively Monitored Standards List and Appendix B: 2020 Audit Schedule. Pursuant to section 3.1 of the approved 2020 Implementation Plan, WECC will conduct a Compliance Audit of a Reliability Coordinator (RC), Balancing Authority (BA), and/or Transmission Operator (TOP) every three years and all other Entities may be subject to Compliance Audits every six years or as approved by the BCUC;

- F. As approved in the 2020 Audit Schedule, BC Hydro is scheduled for a Compliance Audit commencing September 14, 2020 with both on-site and off-site audit components, whereas smaller Entities are scheduled for off-site Compliance Audits only;
- G. WECC's Recommendation is based on possible future travel restrictions due to the impacts of COVID-19 and, more paramount, the health and safety of WECC and BC Hydro staff. The on-site portion of the BC Hydro audit is currently scheduled for a week following the on-site deferral of audits in the United States (US) and would require WECC staff to travel to BC Hydro. On-site audits are currently deferred until September 7, 2020 in the US and this date may be extended; and
- H. The BCUC reviewed the Recommendation and the Revised Audit Schedule as submitted by WECC and considers that both warrant approval.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to subsection 125.2(10) of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 3.1 of the CMP, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. BC Hydro's 2020 Compliance Audit is deferred by six months and its next Compliance Audit will be scheduled in 2021.
2. The Revised Audit Schedule, revised to remove BC Hydro, and attached as Appendix A to this order, is approved.
3. The Revised Audit Schedule must be posted on WECC's website with links from the BCUC throughout the calendar year 2020.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 11th day of June 2020.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

W. M. Everett, QC
Commissioner

Attachment

2020 Audit Schedule for British Columbia

Revised: June 5, 2020

WECC ID	ACRONYM	REGISTERED ENTITY NAME	TEAM TYPE	AUDIT TYPE	BEGIN DATE	END DATE	LOCATION
WCR0029	TMGP	Toba Montrose General Partnership	O&P CIP	Off-site	04/20/2020	04/24/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0037	VIPL	V.I. Power Limited Partnership	O&P CIP	Off-site	05/04/2020	05/08/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0050	CMHL	Coast Mountain Hydro Limited Partnership	O&P CIP	Off-site	07/27/2020	07/31/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0030	CPCD	Catalyst Paper – Crofton Division	O&P CIP	Off-site	08/24/2020	08/28/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0032	CPPAD	Catalyst Paper – Port Alberni Division	O&P CIP	Off-site	08/24/2020	08/28/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0033	CPPR	Catalyst Paper – Powell River Division	O&P CIP	Off-site	08/24/2020	08/28/2020	WECC Offices
WCR0039	DGP	Dokie General Partnership	O&P CIP	Off-site	11/02/2020	11/07/2020	WECC Offices

Entities will be audited for all registered functions.