



**ORDER NUMBER  
G-240-20**

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

and

Catalyst Paper Corporation  
Request to Reduce Rate Schedule 1893 Baselines

**BEFORE:**

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on September 22, 2020

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On May 21, 2020, pursuant to sections 58 to 61, 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 15 of the *Administrative Tribunals Act*, Catalyst Paper Corporation (Catalyst) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) a request to reduce Rate Schedule (RS) 1893 Baselines at Catalyst (Application);
- B. In the Application, Catalyst seeks BCUC approval for adjustments to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) RS 1893 customer High Load Hours (HLH) baseline, Low Load Hours (LLH) baseline and Monthly Reference Demand (Demand) at Crofton and Port Alberni sites for the June to August 2020 billing periods;
- C. Catalyst submits that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused a reduction in demand for pulp and paper, and as a result, Catalyst has had to curtail production at its facilities resulting in much lower electricity consumption than its HLH and LLH baselines. An interim adjustment to its baselines and Demand would allow it adequate time to realize new market opportunities;
- D. By Order G-129-20A dated June 10, 2020, the BCUC approved adjustments to Catalyst's HLH baseline, LLH baseline and Demand on an interim and refundable basis and established a regulatory timetable for review of the Application;
- E. By Order G-152-20 dated June 12, 2020, the BCUC amended the regulatory timetable to allow for intervenor registration, one round of BCUC information requests (IRs) and further process to be determined;
- F. By Order G-160-20 dated June 18, 2020, the BCUC amended the regulatory timetable to allow for intervenor written submissions on Catalyst's June 12, 2020 request to amend the regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A to Order G-152-20;
- G. By Order G-207-20 dated July 31, 2020, the BCUC amended the regulatory timetable to allow for the submission of intervenor evidence, one round of IRs on evidence and further process to be determined;

- H. By Order G-228-20 dated September 3, 2020, the BCUC amended the regulatory timetable to allow for the submission of Catalyst rebuttal evidence, one round of IRs on rebuttal evidence and final arguments;
- I. On September 18, 2020, Catalyst filed rebuttal evidence with the BCUC; and
- J. The BCUC has reviewed the evidence and submissions made to date and considers that an amendment to the regulatory timetable is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders the regulatory timetable is amended as set out in Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2020.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

B. A. Magnan  
Commissioner

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**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

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Action	Date (2020)
BCUC and Intervener IR on Catalyst rebuttal evidence	Wednesday, September 30
Catalyst response to BCUC and Intervener IR on Catalyst rebuttal evidence	Friday, October 9
Catalyst Final Argument	Tuesday, October 20
Intervener Final Argument	Thursday, October 29
Catalyst Reply Argument	Tuesday, November 10