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ORDER NUMBER G-15-21

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

and

British Columbia Utilities Commission Inquiry into the Regulation of Safety

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair C. Brewer, Commissioner R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on January 14, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Order G-241-20, dated September 23, 2020, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) established an inquiry to examine the role of the BCUC in the regulation of safety (Inquiry) and established a regulatory timetable, which included written submissions and letters of comment, with further process to be determined;
- B. On November 12, 2020, the BCUC received intervener written submissions and letters of comment, addressing the BCUC's jurisdiction with respect to the regulation of safety, legislative gaps or overlaps and whether a workshop in support of the Inquiry would be beneficial;
- C. By letter dated December 17, 2020, the BCUC requested submissions from stakeholders and participants on whether the scope of the Inquiry should include the regulation of safety for the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC);
- D. By Order G-342-20, dated December 18, 2020, the BCUC established a further regulatory timetable for the Inquiry, which included the proposed scope for the Inquiry and a web-based procedural conference;
- E. On January 6, 2021, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, the British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al.*, Don Flintoff, MoveUP and Towards Responsible Educated Attentive Driving provided submissions on the inclusion of ICBC in the Inquiry scope, stating that the regulation of safety for ICBC should not be included; and
- F. The BCUC has reviewed the submissions and finds that references to safety in the *Utilities Commission Act* have been made inapplicable to ICBC by section 44 of the *Insurance Corporation Act* and that the following determination is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that the scope for the Inquiry shall exclude the regulation of safety for ICBC.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14th day of January 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner