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ORDER NUMBER G-294-21

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT)
Attachment C Amendments Application –
Methodology to Assess Available Transfer Capability

BEFORE:

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

on October 13, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 9, 2021, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) seeking approval to Amend Attachment C of the Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) (Application);
- B. In the Application, BC Hydro seeks approval of the following amendments to Attachment C of the OATT:
 - To delete one sentence in section 4.5.1 of Attachment C to enable BC Hydro to address its amended practice to allow firm counterflow schedules to create firm available transmission capability (ATC) for sale under BC Hydro's OATT if certain conditions are met; and
 - 2. To address additional housekeeping items in Attachment C;
- C. On November 21, 2008, British Columbia Transmission Corporation (BCTC) filed its application to the BCUC to amend the OATT Amendment Application to maintain consistency with the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) pro forma tariff as revised by FERC's Orders No. 890, 890-A, 890-B, 890-C and 890-D. In the OATT Amendment Application, BCTC proposed to defer any amendments to Attachment C of the OATT, which outlines the Transmission Provider's methodology for determining ATC, pending approval by FERC of relevant standards and business practices in the US;
- D. By Order G-102-09, dated September 10, 2009, the BCUC approved the proposed amendments under the OATT Amendment Application and BCTC's proposal to defer any amendments to Attachment C of the OATT pending FERC's approval of relevant business practices in the US;

- E. By Order G-192-10, dated December 9, 2010, the BCUC approved the proposed OATT amendments to reflect the integration of BC Hydro and BCTC pursuant to the *Clean Energy Act*, S.B.C. 2010, c. 16;
- F. By Order G-185-11, dated November 10, 2011, the BCUC approved the amendments to OATT Attachment C to be consistent with the ATC methodology under the then approved MOD-029-1a Rated System Path Methodology;
- G. By Order R-39-17, dated October 1, 2017, the BCUC approved reliability-standard MOD-029-2a which replaced MOD-029-1a;
- H. By Order G-284-21, dated September 28, 2021, the BCUC established a public hearing process with a regulatory timetable for the review of the Application;
- On October 8, 2021, the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia (CEC) submitted a
 request to extend the Intervener Registration deadline by one week (Extension Request), to provide more
 time to allow CEC to submit its Request to Intervene Form due to difficulties experienced in accessing
 electronic documents on the BCUC website; and
- J. The BCUC has reviewed the Extension Request and determines amending the regulatory timetable is warranted in the circumstances.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that 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 13th day of October 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2021)
Intervener Registration	Wednesday, October 20
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1	Thursday, October 21
Intervener IR No. 1	Thursday, November 4
BC Hydro Responses to BCUC and Intervener IR No.1	Monday, November 15
Deadline to submit Letters of Comment	Monday, November 22
Further Process	To Be Determined