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### ORDER NUMBER G-356-21

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. M. Brewer, Commissioner R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on December 3, 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);
- B. By Order G-34-21, dated January 29, 2021, the BCUC established that the Inquiry would be undertaken in two stages. Stage 1 will establish a general framework of key principles for the BCUC's regulation of safety. Stage 2 will explore the application of a framework to the BCUC's regulation of public utilities and how the BCUC will implement its mandate with regards to safety. Further, the BCUC committed to developing a set of "sub issues" (Sub Issues) to help guide intervener submissions in Stage 1 of the Inquiry;
- C. By Order G-209-21, dated July 8, 2021, the BCUC confirmed the regulatory timetable for the Inquiry and issued the final Stage 1 Sub Issues. Pursuant to this timetable, intervener responses to BCUC and intervener information requests (IRs) were due by November 10, 2021;
- D. By letter dated December 1, 2021, Technical Safety BC filed responses to certain intervener IRs; and
- E. The Panel considers an amendment to the regulatory timetable is warranted to allow interveners sufficient time to consider this additional evidence in advance of Final Argument.

**NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders that the regulatory timetable established by Order G-209-21 is amended, as set out in Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

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## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2022)
Intervener Final Argument	Thursday, January 6
Intervener Reply Argument	Thursday, January 20
Stage 1 Draft Report issued for Comment	To be determined