



ORDER NUMBER
G-173-23

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for the Lower Mainland Reactive Power Reinforcement Project

BEFORE:

A. K. Fung, KC, Panel Chair
A.C. Dennier, Commissioner

on July 4, 2023

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 22, 2022, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) pursuant to section 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for the Lower Mainland Reactive Power Reinforcement Project (Application);
- B. In the Application, BC Hydro proposes to install reactive power compensation equipment at the Meridian, Ingledow, McLellan and Clayburn substations and stop using the Burrard Synchronous Condenser Station to manage reactive power on BC Hydro's transmission system;
- C. By Order G-363-22, dated December 15, 2022, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for a review of the Application;
- D. By Order G-8-23, dated January 16, 2023, and Order G-127-23, dated June 2, 2023, the BCUC established further regulatory timetables, including a second round of information requests (IRs) to BC Hydro;
- E. On June 29, 2023, BC Hydro filed a letter, requesting an extension to the deadline for BC Hydro's response to IR No. 2, and subsequent extension to the deadlines for final and reply arguments; and
- F. The BCUC has reviewed the request and determines that an amendment to the regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC amends the regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 4th day of July 2023.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A. K. Fung, KC
Commissioner

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2023)
BC Hydro Responses to BCUC and Intervener IR No. 2	Tuesday, August 15 th
BC Hydro Final Argument	Tuesday, August 29 th
Intervener Final Argument	Tuesday, September 12 th
BC Hydro Reply Argument	Tuesday, September 26 th