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ORDER NUMBER G-120-24

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Open Access Transmission Tariff Attachment M-2 Amendments

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on April 25, 2024

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 1, 2024, pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed an application (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) seeking approval to amend its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT), particularly Attachment M-2: Transmission Service and Interconnection Service Procedures for Competitive Electricity Acquisition Processes (CEAP);
- B. Attachment M-2 contains replacement and additional procedures required for interconnection customers to obtain Network Resource Interconnection Service, and for Network Customers to obtain modifications to their Network Integration Transmission Service, for generation resources participating in and selected through a CEAP;
- C. In the Application, BC Hydro seeks approval of amendments to Attachment M-2 to change when Interconnection Feasibility Studies must be posted publicly, with the intention to preserve the competitiveness of BC Hydro's current CEAP. BC Hydro also seeks approval of amendments to several other sections of Attachment M-2 to correct outdated references to Attachment M-1 of the OATT;
- D. By Order G-90-24 dated March 27, 2024, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for the review of the Application, which included one round of information requests, letters of comment from interested parties, and BC Hydro's response to letters of comment;
- E. On April 9, 2024, BC Hydro submitted an updated Appendix B to the Application with modifications to the requested amendment to Section 4.10 of Attachment M-2; and
- F. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and evidence submitted in the proceeding and considers that the following determinations are warranted.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. Amendments to Attachment M-2 of the OATT, as shown in the updated Appendix B to the Application dated April 9, 2024, are approved effective as of the date of this Order.
- 2. BC Hydro is directed to file amended OATT tariff pages in accordance with the terms of this Order within 30 days for review and endorsement by the BCUC.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 25th day of April 2024.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan Commissioner

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