



BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

NUMBER G-57-87

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission
Act, S.B.C. 1980, c. 60, as amended

and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

BEFORE: M. Taylor,)
Chairman;)
J.D.V. Newlands,) September 28, 1987
Deputy Chairman; and)
N. Martin,)
Commissioner)

ORDER

WHEREAS British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") applied September 21, 1987 pursuant to the Utilities Commission Act, ("the Act") and in particular Section 28 (1) thereof, for approval by the Commission to continue to include in its operating expenses the subsidy payments for Field (BCUC Order NO. G-65-82), after the sale of the power system in Field, B.C., from Northern Canada Power Commission ("NCPC") to Synex Energy Resources Ltd. ("Synex"), with a change to the applicability and the method of calculation for the subsidy; and

WHEREAS the power system in Field, B.C. is in the process of being divested or has been divested by NCPC. Synex, an investor-owned company, proposes to operate the system through a wholly-owned subsidiary, Yoho Power Ltd. ("Yoho"); and

WHEREAS Synex proposes to build a distribution extension from TransAlta Utilities Corporation ("TAUC") supply at Lake Louise to Field, B.C.; and

WHEREAS the Commission has reviewed the Application and supporting data and is satisfied that the proposals are in the public interest.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission hereby orders British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority as follows:

1. B.C. Hydro will subsidize Field residential and general customers other than accounts for electric service to premises owned by the Federal Government or C.P. Rail.
2. B.C. Hydro will subsidize approved residential and general customers for consumption up to 550 kWh per month the lesser of:

B.C. Hydro Theoretical Cost of Power
less 7.5¢ x the consumption up to 550 kWh month;

or

Synex Actual Cost
less 7.5¢ x the consumption up to 550 kWh/month.

3. B.C. Hydro's theoretical cost of power is the rate per kWh that would be derived from the estimated annual cost of providing power to Field via a distribution extension from TransAlta Utilities Corporation.
4. The 7.5¢ per kWh will remain firm until the first step of B.C. Hydro's residential rate 1101 exceeds 7.5¢, at which time it will be subject to all rate changes affecting B.C. Hydro's residential rate 1101. At no time shall this base figure go below 7.5¢ per kWh.
5. To qualify for the subsidy customers must apply to and be approved by Synex. Synex will calculate the subsidy for qualifying accounts on the above formula and submit a monthly bill and detailed customer statement to B.C. Hydro.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 29th day of September, 1987.

BY ORDER


Chairman