



BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-12-01

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IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
for Temporary Approval of Rate Schedule 1853 Transmission Service –
Station Service Maintenance and Black-Start

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner) January 25, 2001
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)
N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 21, 2000, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (“B.C. Hydro”) applied to the Commission for approval, on a temporary basis until the next comprehensive rate design review, of Rate Schedule 1853 Transmission Service – Station Service for Maintenance and Black-Start. On January 19, 2001, B.C. Hydro provided the Commission with a response to a staff information request; and
- B. The new service will allow Independent Power Producers (“IPPs”) to obtain energy that is needed at their generation facilities during forced outages, scheduled maintenance requirements, and black-start re-energization of generators; and
- C. The rate to be charged by B.C. Hydro for Rate Schedule 1853 service will be a market based rate at the Dow Jones Mid-C Firm Electricity Price Index. The electricity is not available for replacement of electricity that would normally be generated by the IPP facilities; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval is required.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission approves for B.C. Hydro its December 21, 2000 application for Rate Schedule 1853 Transmission Service – Station Service for Maintenance and Black-Starts, effective January 25, 2001.

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2. B.C. Hydro is to address Rate Schedule 1853 service in its next comprehensive rate design application at which time, following Commission approval, it will be replaced with a permanent rate schedule for this service.
3. B.C. Hydro is to provide all of its IPP customers with a copy of this Order and the approved Rate Schedule 1853, including the terms of service.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th day of February 2001.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair