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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Proposal regarding a Heritage Contract for B.C. Hydro's Existing Generation Resources
and regarding Stepped Rates and Transmission Access

BEFORE: R.H. Hobbs, Commissioner )
K.L. Hall, Commissioner ) June 6, 2003
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner )

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. On March 25, 2003 the Province, by Order in Council No. 0253, issued Terms of Reference for an Inquiry relating to a Heritage Contract for B.C. Hydro's Existing Generation Resources and to Stepped Rates and Transmission Access; and
- B. The Commission by Order No. G-23-03 established a regulatory process and timetable for the Inquiry; and
- C. By letter date May 22, 2003, the Commission directed Commission staff to convene meetings with interested Intervenors to consider the rate structure for transmission voltage customers; and
- D. Such meetings were held on May 27, June 3 and June 4, 2003; and
- E. As an outcome of the meetings, participants requested a timetable to allow circulation of a document with submissions from B.C. Hydro and Intervenors.

## **NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to Order No. G-23-03 is supplemented as follows.
- 2. By Thursday June 12, 2003 Commission staff will circulate a discussion document identifying potential areas of agreement from the meetings held on May 27, June 3 and June 4, 2003.
- 3. The participants in the meetings will meet on Friday, June 13, 2003 to review the Commission staff document.
- 4. A revised document incorporating the views of participants will be circulated to all Intervenors on or before Friday, June 20, 2003.
- 5. B.C. Hydro will provide its submissions on the revised document by Friday, June 27, 2003.
- 6. Intervenors will provide their submission regarding the revised document by Thursday, July 3, 2003.

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7. The revised document circulated on June 20, 2003, together with B.C. Hydro's submission of June 27, 2003 and Intervenor submissions of July 3, 2003, will be reviewed at the Pre-hearing Conference on July 7, 2003.

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**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

6th

day of June 2003.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Robert H. Hobbs Commissioner