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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER** G-109-05

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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 Transmission Corporation
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project**

BEFORE: R.H. Hobbs, Chair
N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner October 27, 2005
L.A. O'Hara, Commissioner

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. By application dated July 7, 2005, the British Columbia Transmission Corporation ("BCTC") requested that the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the "Commission") grant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for the Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project ("VITR") to reinforce the electric transmission system serving Vancouver Island and the Southern Gulf Islands (the "Application"); and
- B. By Order No. G-72-05, the Commission Panel established the Regulatory Timetable for an oral hearing to review the Application; and
- C. In the letter dated August 9, 2005 that accompanied Order No. G-72-05, the Commission stated that participants in the VITR proceeding will be given an opportunity at the Pre-Hearing Conference to comment on any motion(s) by Sea Breeze; and
- D. The Commission by letter dated September 1, 2005 proposed a schedule for Town Hall Meetings, with the locations and times for the meetings to be discussed at the Pre-Hearing Conference scheduled for October 17, 2005; and
- E. On September 27, 2005, BCTC advised the Commission that it would be unable to completely respond to all the Information Requests in accordance with the Regulatory Agenda, and by letter dated September 30, 2005 requested that the filing date for responses be extended to October 10, 2005; and
- F. The Commission has also received requests from Mr. Hans Karow and Mr. Karsten Holmsen, Intervenors in the proceeding to extend the Regulatory Timetable; and
- G. On September 30, 2005 Sea Breeze filed a CPCN application for the Vancouver Island Cable Project and requested that the Commission confirm the consolidation of the review of its CPCN Application with the BCTC VITR proceeding. The Commission also issued a separate procedural Order G-97-05 to initiate the regulatory review of the Sea Breeze CPCN application; and

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- H. By Order No. G-96-05, the Commission Panel revised the Regulatory Timetable and ordered Sea Breeze to file any further motion that it desired to be considered at the Pre-Hearing Conference held on October 21, 2005; and
- I. At the Pre-hearing Conference Sea Breeze and BCTC advised that they have jointly produced a suggested revised schedule to accommodate their concerns; and
- J. The Commission Panel has considered participant proposals for a revised schedule and determines that a revised schedule is necessary.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders that the Revised Regulatory Agenda for the oral public hearing to review the Application is established as set out in Appendix A to this Order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27th day of October 2005.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Robert H. Hobbs
Chair

Attachment

**British Columbia Transmission Corporation (“BCTC”)
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Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project (“VITR”)**

REVISED REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2005)
BCUC Information Request No. 1 to Sea Breeze with respect to the VIC Application	Monday, October 17
Intervenor Evidence with respect to VITR Application	Wednesday, October 19
Pre-Hearing Conference No. 2	Friday, October 21
BCUC and Participant Information Requests to Intervenors with respect to the VITR Application	Wednesday, October 26
Sea Breeze Response to BCUC Information Request No. 1 with respect to the VIC Application	Monday, November 7
Intervenor Responses to Information Requests with respect to the VITR Application	Thursday, November 10
Pre-hearing Conference No. 3	Thursday, November 10
BCUC Information Request No. 2 and Intervenor Information Request No.1 to Sea Breeze with respect to the VIC Application	Friday, November 18
Sea Breeze Response to BCUC Information Request No. 2 and Intervenor Information Request No. 1 with respect to the VIC Application	Tuesday, December 6
Intervenor Evidence with respect to the VIC Application	Monday, December 12
BCUC and Participant Information Requests to Intervenors with respect to the VIC Application	Monday, December 19

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REVISED REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2006)
Intervenor Responses to Information Requests with respect to the VIC Application	Friday, January 6
Town Hall Meeting (Salt Spring)	Saturday, January 7
Town Hall Meeting (Tsawwassen)	Tuesday, January 10
Staff issue Hearing Issues List	Thursday, January 12
Town Hall Meeting (Vancouver Island)	Saturday, January 14
Opening Oral Submissions	Monday, January 16
Proponent Consolidation of Hearing Issues List	Wednesday, January 18
Town Hall Meeting (Surrey)	Thursday, January 19
Panel issues Hearing Issues List	Friday, January 20
Public Hearing commences	Monday, January 23