

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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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 Approval of F2006 Revenue Requirements

BEFORE: Lori Ann Boychuk, Panel Chair

and Commissioner February 8, 2005

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 23, 2004, British Columbia Transmission Corporation ("BCTC") filed for approval of its F2006 Revenue Requirements Application ("the Application") and rates effective April 1, 2005 pursuant to Sections 58 and 60 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"). For F2006, BCTC applies for interim rates based on the forecast Deemed Equity Component as of April 1, 2005. After April 1, 2005 and determination of the actual Deemed Equity Component, BCTC intends to request permanent rates for F2006 based on the actual April 1, 2005 Deemed Equity Component; and
- B. BCTC also seeks approval of its depreciation accounts and rates of depreciation, pursuant to Section 56 of the Act; and
- C. By Order No. G-8-05, the Commission established a regulatory timetable for registration of intervenors and interested parties and scheduled a Pre-hearing Conference for Monday, February 14, 2005; and
- D. The Commission has determined that the Pre-hearing Conference is required to be re-scheduled.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. A Pre-hearing Conference will be held before the Commission Panel on Thursday, March 3, 2005, commencing at 2:30 p.m. in the Hearing Room, Third Floor, 855 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6B 5S2 to address procedural matters which will include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - identification of principal issues arising from or related to the Application,
 - process options for review of the Application, including,
 - oral public hearing
 - negotiated settlement process
 - written hearing
 - or, as appropriate, some combination of the above

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- timetable (information requests, responses, intervenor evidence, etc.),
- location(s) of the proceeding, and
- other matters that will assist the Commission to efficiently review all aspects of the Application.

After the Pre-hearing Conference the Commission will issue a further procedural order and regulatory agenda for the review of the Application.

- 2. The Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at the Head Office of British Columbia Transmission Corporation at Suite 1100 Four Bentall Centre, 1055 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, B.C., and at the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C.
- 3. Intervenors should inform the Commission by February 28, 2005, of their intention to attend the Pre-hearing Conference.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 9th day of February 2005.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lori Ann Boychuk Panel Chair and Commissioner