

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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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 Consideration of the
Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project

BEFORE: A.W.K. Anderson, Commissioner November 29, 2006

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. As part of British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("BC Hydro") F2007 and F2008 Revenue Requirements Application ("F07/F08 RRA") Negotiated Settlement Agreement issued November 6, 2006, there was no agreement among the Parties that expenditures referred to in the F07/F08 RRA in regard to the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project were, or were not, in the interests of persons within British Columbia who receive, or who may receive, service from BC Hydro; and
- B. It was also agreed that the Commission's current review of BC Hydro's proposed expenditures in regard to the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project (initiated by the filing of the F07/F08 RRA) would continue and could, by Commission order, continue as an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity; and
- C. By letter dated November 15, 2006 to the Commission and copied to the Intervenors in the F07/F08 RRA process, BC Hydro advised that with the filing contained in that letter, it believed it had placed on the record, or identified, all information materially relevant to the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project; and
- D. By letter dated November 20, 2006, the Commission requested Intervenors in the F07/F08 RRA process to provide their positions as to whether more information is required regarding the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project, and the process by which the application should proceed; and

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E. The Commission has received several letters from Intervenors in the F07/F08 RRA process regarding this project.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. BC Hydro is directed to submit an application by Wednesday December 6, 2006 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to redevelop the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project.
- 2. The Commission requires the application to be reviewed by a written public hearing process according to the Regulatory Timetable attached as Appendix A.
- 3. BC Hydro is directed to publish notification of the regulatory timetable, attached as Appendix B, in local papers (Vancouver and East Kootenay) as soon as possible and at least by Friday, December 8, 2006.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 29th day of November 2006.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A.W.K. Anderson Commissioner

Attachments

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION DATE

BC Hydro Submits a CPCN Application for the Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project

Wednesday, December 6, 2006

Registration of Intervenor and Interested Parties with the Commission

Friday, December 15, 2006

Commission and Intervenor Information Requests to BC Hydro

Wednesday, December 20, 2006

BC Hydro Responses to Information Requests

Wednesday, January 3, 2007

Intervenor Comments filed with the Commission and BC Hydro

Friday, January 19, 2007

BC Hydro Response to Intervenor Comments

Friday, January 26, 2007



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BRITISH COLUMBIA HYDRO AND POWER AUTHORITY

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Redevelop and Operate the Aberfeldie Generating Station ("Aberfeldie Redevelopment Project")

NOTICE OF WRITTEN PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

THE APPLICATION

By Wednesday, December 6, 2006, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("BC Hydro") will apply to the Commission for approval to redevelop and operate the Aberfeldie Generating Station, a facility 35 km east of Cranbrook, from 5 MW to 24 MW for an estimated cost of \$83 million to \$94 million.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS

The Commission has established a Written Public Hearing Process for the review of the Application.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE DOCUMENTS

The BC Hydro Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at the BC Hydro's Head Office in Vancouver at 17th Floor, 333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC, BC Hydro's Cranbrook District Office at 629 Industrial Road, Cranbrook, BC, and the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC, V6Z 2N3.

REGISTERING TO PARTICIPATE

Unless they have already registered, persons who expect to actively participate in the BC Hydro proceeding should register as Intervenors with the Commission, in writing, by Friday, December 15, 2006. Intervenors will receive copies of the Application, all correspondence and filed documentation.

Persons not expecting to actively participate, but who have an interest in the BC Hydro proceeding should register as Interested Parties with the Commission, in writing, by Friday, December 15, 2006. Interested Parties will receive a copy of the Application's Executive Summary and all Orders issued.

All submissions and/or correspondence received from active participants or the public relating to the Application will be placed on the public record and posted to the Commission's web site.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Mr. Robert J. Pellatt, Commission Secretary as follows:

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