

## **LETTER No. L-47-08**

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F2009/F2010 REVENUE REQUIREMENT	EXHIBIT		

TO: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Registered Intervenors (BCH-F09-10RR-RI)

Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("BC Hydro")
Project No. 3698500/Order No. G-21-08
F2009/F2010 Revenue Requirement Application ("Application")

On September 12, 2008 the Commission established a timeline to seek responses from BC Hydro and Intervenors regarding whether a Hearing Issues List would contribute to the effectiveness of the Oral Hearing.

A number of responses were received regarding the issuance of a Hearing Issues List.

BC Hydro submits that in a broad, general hearing an Issues List that describes topics that are in-scope for the oral phase of the hearing is not as useful, efficient or effective as dealing with questions on a case-by-case basis through objections. The BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al* and the Joint Industry Electricity Steering Committee concurred with BC Hydro. Similarly, the Independent Power Producers Association agrees and submits that issues of scope can be dealt with as the need arises. The Commercial Energy Consumers Association submits that the creation of a Hearing Issues List would not contribute to the effectiveness of the hearing, but does not object to its issuance if it is seen as having value to the Commission. The Canadian Office and Professional Employees Union Local 378 has no objection to a Hearing Issues List. Finally, Mr. Alan Wait is in favour of a Hearing Issues List.

After considering the submissions received, the Commission Panel has determined that it will not issue a Hearing Issues List.

Yours truly,	
Original signed by:	
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