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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER G-6-12**

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

and

An Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
To Permission to Permanently Cease Operations at the Heber Diversion

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner

January 23, 2012

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 13, 2012, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) for permission to permanently cease operations at Heber Diversion Dam, Pipeline and In-stream Structures (Heber Diversion), located on central Vancouver Island, pursuant to section 41 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (the Act);
- B. The Campbell River Water Use Plan Consultative Committee reached a consensus to decommission the Heber Diversion in 2010;
- C. The Heber Diversion is not in use and BC Hydro states that it is currently inoperable without additional work and the incurring of costs, and is near its end-of-life.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission has established that the review of the Application will proceed by way of a written hearing consisting of one round of Information Requests.
2. The Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application is established as set out in Appendix A to this Order.
3. BC Hydro will provide a copy of this Order to the Mowachaht Muchalaht First Nation as well as its four customer interveners: the Association of Major Power Consumers of B.C., British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization, B.C. Sustainable Energy Association and Commercial Energy Consumers Association.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of January 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE
Commission Information Requests	Wednesday, January 25, 2012
Intervener Information Requests	Tuesday, January 31, 2012
Participation Assistance /Cost Award Budget Submissions	Wednesday, February, 8, 2012
BC Hydro Responses to Commission and Intervener Information Requests	Friday, February 17, 2012
Intervener Submissions	Wednesday, February 29, 2012
BC Hydro Reply Submission	Wednesday, March 14, 2012