



ORDER NUMBER
F-7-16

IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Applications for Participant Assistance/Cost Awards
in the Application by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
for Indirect Interconnection Services for Transmission-Voltage Load Customers

BEFORE:

N. E. MacMurchy, Panel Chair/Commissioner
I. F. MacPhail, Commissioner

on March 22, 2016

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 14, 2015, pursuant to section 61(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Act), British Columbia Hydro and Power authority (BC Hydro) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval of Tariff Supplements 87 and 88 to enable the provision of Indirect Interconnection Service. BC Hydro also applied for approval of corollary amendments to its Electric Tariff (Application);
- B. By Order G-157-15 dated September 30, 2015, the Commission established a written hearing process and a regulatory timetable for the review of the Application;
- C. On March 3, 2016, the Commission issued its reasons for decision to accompany Order G-25-16;
- D. Between January 11, 2016 and January 25, 2016, the Commission received Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) applications from the following interveners:
 - BC Sustainable Energy Association and the Sierra Club of British Columbia;
 - British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization, *et al.*;
 - Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia;
- E. By letter dated February 25, 2016, BC Hydro provided its comments on the PACA applications; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the PACA applications and comments from BC Hydro with regard to the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines and concludes that PACA funding should be awarded.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 118(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission approves:

1. Participant Assistance Cost Awards in the following amounts with respect to their participation in the proceeding for the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Application for Indirect Interconnection Services for Transmission-Voltage Load Customers:

Intervener	PACA Application	PACA Award
BC Sustainable Energy Association and the Sierra Club of British Columbia	\$4,425.75	\$4,425.75
British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization, <i>et al.</i>	\$3,633.55	\$3,633.55
Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia	\$9,103.51	\$9,103.51

2. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority is directed to reimburse the above participants for the respective amounts that have been awarded in a timely manner.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of March 2016.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

N. E. MacMurchy
Panel Chair/Commissioner