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ORDER NUMBER G-45-17

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Transmission Service Rate Customer Baseline Loads F2016 and F2017 Application

BEFORE:

H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner

D. J. Enns, Commissioner

M. Kresivo, Commissioner

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

R. I. Mason, Commissioner

R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on March 23, 2017

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 20, 2017, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 58 to 61, 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 15 of the *Administrative Tribunals Act*, the Transmission Service Rate (TSR) Customer Baseline Load (CBL) F2016 and F2017 Application (Application);
- B. In the Application, BC Hydro seeks the following Commission approvals:
 - i. On a final and permanent basis, the "Final Adjusted F2016 CBL for Final Approval" column contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2015;
 - ii. On an interim basis, the "Interim F2017 CBL for Interim Approval" column contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2016;
 - iii. On a final and permanent basis, the placement of specific customers on Rate Schedule 1823A as contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2015; and
 - iv. On an interim basis, the placement of specific customers on Rate Schedule 1823A as contained in Appendix A of the Application, effective April 1, 2016;
- C. By Order G-36-16 dated March 17, 2016, the Commission approved the F2016 Interim CBLs and the placement of specified customers on RS 1823A, both effective April 1, 2015, on an interim basis until further application;

- D. In the Application, BC Hydro states that pursuant to section 6.2.1 of the Tariff Supplement No. 74 CBL Determination Guidelines (Guidelines), BC Hydro submitted all CBL determinations reflected in the Application to the TSR CBL customer for review and comment prior to filing the Application;
- E. Pursuant to the Guidelines, all CBLs and any decision to put a customer on Rate Schedule 1823A are subject to final approval by the Commission;
- F. On February 6, 2017, the Commission requested BC Hydro to transmit to its customers a letter (Letter) from the Commission requesting any customer that disputes its Final Adjusted F2016 CBL or Interim F2017 CBL, as proposed by BC Hydro in the Application, to notify the Commission in writing on or before, February 22, 2017;
- G. The Letter also established that if a notice of dispute is not received by the date noted above, the Commission will consider all parties to be in agreement with the information BC Hydro submitted in its Application and will proceed with the review of the Application accordingly;
- H. The Commission received no disputes by February 22, 2017;
- I. On March 20 and 21, 2017, BC Hydro filed supplementary information to clarify certain CBL adjustments as requested by Commission staff;
- J. BC Hydro requests that Appendices A, B, C and D of the Application and the associated customer information be held in confidence as they contain commercially sensitive information; and
- K. The Commission reviewed the Application and considers that the approvals sought are warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 58 to 61, 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Final Adjusted F2016 Customer Baseline Loads (CBLs), effective April 1, 2015, in the column identified as "Final Adjusted F2016 CBL for Final Approval" and the placement of specified customers on Rate Schedule 1823 Energy Charge A (RS 1823A) in F2016 contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on a final and permanent basis.
- 2. The F2017 Interim CBLs, effective April 1, 2016, in the column identified as "Interim F2017 CBL for Interim Approval" and the placement of specified customers on RS 1823A in F2017 contained in Appendix A of the Application, are approved on an interim basis until further application.
- 3. The Commission will hold confidential the information in Appendices A, B, C and D of the Application and the associated customer information as they contain commercially sensitive information.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of March 2017.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

H. G. Harowitz Commissioner