

Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC Canada V6Z 2N3

TEL: (604) 660-4700 BCToll Free: 1-800-663-1385

FAX: (604) 660-1102

### ORDER NUMBER G-53-17

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Supply Chain Applications Project Application

#### **BEFORE:**

D. A. Cote, Panel Chair/Commissioner M. Kresivo, Commissioner R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on April 10, 2017

#### **ORDER**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On December 21, 2016, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed its Supply Chain Applications Project Application (Application) and statement of capital expenditures with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) under section 44.2(1)(b) of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) requesting acceptance of a portion of the capital expenditures (Phase One) pursuant to section 44.2(3)(a) of the UCA;
- B. BC Hydro states in the Application that it will seek acceptance of the remainder of the project capital expenditures (Phase Two) at the completion of the Phase One work and that it anticipates Commission approval of Phase Two expenditures by the end of April 2018;
- C. On January 13, 2017, the Commission issued Order G-4-17 and established the preliminary regulatory timetable for the review of the Application which included one round of information requests and a procedural conference;
- D. The procedural conference was held on March 10, 2017 in Vancouver. The following parties attended the procedural conference and made submissions on hearing process options, intervener evidence, the regulatory timetable, the merits of a two-phase approval process and Participant Assistance/Cost Awards (PACA):
  - BC Hydro;
  - Commercial Energy Consumers;
  - British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al.; and
  - ABB Enterprise Software (ABB);

Mr. R. Landale filed written submissions with the Commission on March 8, 2017;

- E. On March 15, 2017, the Commission issued Order G-32-17 establishing a revised regulatory timetable, which included a second round of information requests, a process for ABB to submit intervener evidence and a written argument phase.
- F. On April 7, 2017, ABB submitted its intervener evidence.
- G. The Panel has reviewed ABB's filing and believes more time is required for the parties to review the evidence and prepare information requests.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders that the hearing process shall proceed according to the revised regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.

**BY ORDER** 

Original signed by:

D. A. Cote Commissioner

Attachment

# British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Supply Chain Applications Project Application

## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

ACTION	DATE (2017) With Rebuttal Evidence	DATE (2017) WITHOUT REBUTTAL EVIDENCE
Commission and Intervener Information Request (IR) No. 2 to BC Hydro	Thursday, April 20	Thursday, April 20
IRs on ABB Intervener Evidence	Thursday, April 20	Thursday, April 20
BC Hydro Response to IR No. 2	Friday, May 12	Friday, May 12
ABB Response to IRs on ABB Intervener Evidence	Friday, May 12	Friday, May 12
BC Hydro Notice of Intent to File Rebuttal Evidence	Wednesday, May 17	Wednesday, May 17
BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence	Friday, May 19	
IRs on BC Hydro Rebuttal Evidence	Friday, June 2	
BC Hydro Response to Rebuttal Evidence IRs	Friday, June 16	
BC Hydro Final Submission	Friday, June 23	Friday, May 26
Interveners Final Submissions	Friday, July 7	Friday, June 9
BC Hydro Reply Submission	Friday, July 21	Friday, June 23