



**ORDER NUMBER
G-236-19**

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Application to Expand Rate Schedule (RS) 1880 (Standby and Maintenance Supply) Availability
to RS 1828 Biomass Energy Program Customers

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on September 30, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 13, 2019, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to expand Rate Schedule (RS) 1880 (Standby and Maintenance Supply) Availability to RS 1828 Biomass Energy Program Customers (Application);
- B. On April 1, 2019, the B.C. Government issued Order in Council No 158. BC Reg. 71/2019 (Direction) directing the BCUC to set as a rate the rate schedule that was Attached to the Direction as Appendix 1 within 10 days of receiving an application from BC Hydro;
- C. On April 15, 2019, BC Hydro filed an Application for Approval of Rate Schedule 1828 - Transmission Service – Biomass Energy Program;
- D. By Order G-87-19 issued April 24, 2019, the BCUC approved RS 1828;
- E. In the Application, BC Hydro states that extending the availability of RS 1880 to RS 1828 customers allows them the same access to replacement energy as RS 1823 customers with self generation;
- F. On September 27, 2019, BC Hydro replied to BCUC Staff Questions providing additional details related to the Application; and
- G. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and the response to Staff Questions and considers that approval is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. The Amendments to RS 1880 to include RS 1828 are approved effective October 1, 2019.

2. The Tariff pages as filed in Attachment B-1 of the Application are approved as filed.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 30th day of September 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner