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## ORDER NUMBER G-74-20

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Application for Rate Schedule 1893 – Transmission Service Incremental Energy Rate Alternative Baselines

## **BEFORE:**

T. A. Loski, Panel Chair

on April 2, 2020

## **ORDER**

## **WHEREAS:**

- A. On March 4, 2020, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) alternative High Load Hour (HLH) Baselines, Light Load Hour (LLH) Baselines and Monthly Reference Demands for four of the 13 customers that have elected to participate in the Rate Schedule (RS) 1893 Transmission Service Incremental Energy Rate pilot, and requested the BCUC approve the alternative baselines and Reference Demands pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA)(Application). The four customers are:
  - Catalyst Paper Corporation:
    - Port Alberni site;
    - Powell River site;
    - o Crofton site;
  - Canfor Pulp Ltd;
- B. BC Hydro filed a public and confidential version of the Application and requested that Appendix C of the Application be held in confidence as it contains information that is commercially sensitive to customers;
- C. On October 31, 2019, BC Hydro filed an application with the BCUC seeking approval of an amended Freshet Rate (RS 1892) and approval for a new optional rate, the Incremental Energy Rate (RS 1893);
- D. By Order G-300-19 dated November 26, 2019, the BCUC approved RS 1893 effective January 1, 2020 on an interim and non-refundable basis;
- E. On March 19, 2020, the BCUC issued staff questions to BC Hydro. BC Hydro submitted its response on March 31, 2020; and

F. The BCUC has reviewed the Application as well as the response to staff questions and finds the approval of the Application is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The alternative LLH Baselines and HLH Baselines and Monthly Reference Demands contained in confidential Appendix C of the Application are approved effective January 1, 2020.
- 2. The BCUC will hold Appendix C of the Application and the confidential response to staff questions in confidence as they contain commercially sensitive information.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2020.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

T. A. Loski Commissioner