



ORDER NUMBER
G-207-20

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

and

Catalyst Paper Corporation
Request to Reduce Rate Schedule 1893 Baselines

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on July 31, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On May 21, 2020, pursuant to sections 58 to 61, 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and section 15 of the *Administrative Tribunals Act*, Catalyst Paper Corporation (Catalyst) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) a request to reduce Rate Schedule (RS) 1893 Baselines at Catalyst (Application);
- B. In the Application, Catalyst seeks BCUC approval for adjustments to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) RS 1893 customer High Load Hours (HLH) baseline, Low Load Hours (LLH) baseline and Monthly Reference Demand (Demand) at Crofton and Port Alberni sites for the June to August 2020 billing periods;
- C. Catalyst submits the COVID-19 pandemic has caused a reduction in demand for pulp and paper, and as a result, Catalyst has had to curtail production at its facilities resulting in much lower electricity consumption than its HLH and LLH baselines. An interim adjustment to its baselines and Demand would allow it adequate time to realize new market opportunities;
- D. By Order G-129-20A dated June 10, 2020, the BCUC approved adjustments to Catalyst's HLH baseline, LLH baseline and Demand on an interim and refundable basis and established a regulatory timetable for review of the Application;
- E. On June 9, 2020, the BCUC received a letter of comment from BC Hydro requesting that it be granted intervener status and the opportunity to submit evidence and argument in the public hearing;
- F. By Order G-152-20 dated June 12, 2020, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable to allow for intervener registration, one round of BCUC information requests (IRs) and further process to be determined;
- G. By Order G-160-20 dated June 18, 2020, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable to allow for intervener written submissions on Catalyst's June 12, 2020 request to amend the Regulatory Timetable as set out in Appendix A to Order G-152-20;

- H. On June 18, 2020, BC Hydro registered as an intervener in the proceeding;
- I. On July 16, 2020, the British Columbia Sustainable Energy Association registered as an intervener in the proceeding;
- J. On July 23, 2020, Catalyst filed responses to BCUC and intervener IRs; and
- K. The BCUC has reviewed the evidence and submissions made to date and considers that an amendment to the Regulatory Timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that the Regulatory Timetable is amended as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 31st day of July 2020.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)
Intervener Evidence (if any)	Tuesday, August 11
Information Requests (IRs) on Intervener Evidence	Thursday, August 20
Intervener responses to IRs on Intervener Evidence	Tuesday, September 1
Further process	To be determined