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ORDER NUMBER G-391-21

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)
Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT)
Attachment C Amendments Application –
Methodology to Assess Available Transfer Capability

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner C. M. Brewer, Commissioner

on December 23, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 9, 2021, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) an application seeking approval to Amend Attachment C of the Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) (Application);
- B. In the Application, BC Hydro seeks approval of the following amendments to Attachment C of the OATT:
 - To delete one sentence in section 4.5.1 of Attachment C to enable BC Hydro to address its amended practice to allow firm counterflow schedules to create firm available transmission capability (ATC) for sale under BC Hydro's OATT if certain conditions are met; and
 - 2. To address additional housekeeping items in Attachment C;
- C. By Order G-284-21, dated September 28, 2021, the BCUC established a public hearing process with a Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application, which included notice of the Application, intervener registration, and BCUC and Intervener information requests;
- D. On October 8, 2021, the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia (CEC) submitted a request to extend the Intervener Registration deadline due to difficulties experienced in accessing electronic documents on the BCUC website;
- E. By Order G-294-21, date October 13, 2021, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable to align with the Intervener extension request;

- F. By October 20, 2021, Powerex Corp. (Powerex), TransAlta Corporation (TransAlta), Evolugen by Brookfield Renewable (Evolugen), Capital Power, and CEC had registered as interveners;
- G. On November 5, 2021, BC Hydro submitted a request to extend the BC Hydro Responses to BCUC and Interveners Information Request (IR) No.1 to provide more time to allow BC Hydro to prepare responses;
- H. By Order G-331-21, dated November 10, 2021, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable to align with BC Hydro's IR No.1 responses extension request;
- I. On November 22, 2021, BC Hydro submitted its responses to BCUC and Interveners IR No.1, which included both public and confidential responses;
- J. By Order G-369-21, dated December 13, 2021, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable requesting Interveners and BC Hydro to provide submission on further process;
- K. On December 16, 2021, Powerex, Capital Power, Evolugen, TransAlta, and CEC submitted letters indicating that they would like to proceed to final argument;
- L. On December 21, 2021, BC Hydro submitted its response to the Interveners' submissions and requested the proceeding move forward with final arguments; and,
- M. The BCUC has reviewed the Interveners' and BC Hydro's submissions and determines the proceeding shall move to final arguments.

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 23rd day of December 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2022)
BC Hydro Written Final Argument	Wednesday, January 12
Interveners Written Final Argument	Wednesday, January 26
BC Hydro Reply Argument	Wednesday, February 2