



**ORDER NUMBER
R-41-22**

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

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Application for Acceptance of a Mitigation Plan (Version 1) required for
Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standard:
FAC-003-4 Requirement 2 – Violation ID: BCUC2020000724
FAC-003-4 Requirement 2 – Violation ID: BCUC2020000725
FAC-003-4 Requirement 2 – Violation ID: BCUC2020000726

BEFORE:

W. M. Everett, KC, Commissioner
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on December 14, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 11, 2022, the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), acting as the Administrator for the British Columbia Mandatory Reliability Standards Program (BC MRS Program), issued Recommendations of Mitigation Plan (MP) Acceptance (Recommendations) to bring British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) into compliance with the Reliability Standard identified above;
- B. Section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) assigns exclusive jurisdiction to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to determine whether a “reliability standard,” as defined in the UCA, is in the public interest and should be adopted in British Columbia;
- C. By Order G-123-09, the BCUC appointed WECC as its Administrator for registration of entities and monitoring compliance pursuant to section 8 of the UCA. WECC’s role as Administrator for the BC MRS Program is pursuant to the Administration Agreement between WECC and the BCUC dated October 8, 2009, and most recently renewed on July 5, 2019;
- D. Order G-123-09 also approved the Compliance Monitoring Program (CMP) for monitoring and enforcement of adopted reliability standards and the most recent revisions to the CMP were approved by Order R-40-17;
- E. Pursuant to section 5.1.1 of the CMP, an entity subject to approved Mandatory Reliability Standards found in Confirmed Violation of a reliability standard must prepare a proposed MP to correct the Confirmed Violation or prepare a description of how the Confirmed Violation has been mitigated. Pursuant to section 5.3.2 of the CMP, an MP with respect to a Confirmed Violation must be submitted to the Administrator within ten days following confirmation by the BCUC;

- F. On August 6, 2020, BC Hydro submitted the MPs (Version 1) to address the self-reported Violations FAC-003-4 R2 with the proposed completion dates of March 31, 2020, as shown below;

Reliability Standard	BCUC Violation ID	Date MP (Version 1) Submitted to WECC	Proposed Completion Date
FAC-003-4 R2	BCUC2020000724	August 6, 2020	March 31, 2020
FAC-003-4 R2	BCUC2020000725	August 6, 2020	March 31, 2020
FAC-003-4 R2	BCUC2020000726	August 6, 2020	March 31, 2020

- G. On August 11, 2022, WECC recommended acceptance of the MPs (Version 1) for BCUC2020000725 and BCUC2020000726;
- H. On December 5, 2022, WECC corrected the webCDMS record from (FAC-003-4 R1) to the appropriate standard requirement (FAC-003-4-R2) and recommended acceptance of the corrected MP (Version 1) for BCUC2020000724; and
- I. The BCUC reviewed WECC's Recommendations and considers that acceptance of the MPs (Version 1) for FAC-003-4 R2 is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 125.2(10) of the UCA and in accordance with the CMP, the BCUC accepts the MPs with the proposed completion dates as identified in recital F above.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14th day of December 2022.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

W. M. Everett, KC
Commissioner