

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application for Participant Assistance/Cost Award relating to the British Columbia Transmission Corporation Application for Approval of Allowance for Funds Used During Construction Accounting Treatment and Proposed Disposition of the F2008 Forecast Revenue Sufficiency and F2008 Financial Information Filing

BEFORE: L.A. O'Hara, Panel Chair and Commissioner

October 1, 2007

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 9, 2006 Commission Order No. G-139-06 approved the British Columbia Transmission Corporation ("BCTC") F2007 Transmission Revenue Requirement Settlement Agreement; and
- B. On March 21, 2007, BCTC applied for approval of a methodology which recognizes an AFUDC Accounting Treatment and the Proposed Disposition of the F2008 Forecast Revenue Sufficiency, effective April 1, 2007 (the "Application"), pursuant to Section 49(a) of the Utilities Commission Act (the "Act") and Section 6 of Special Direction No. 9; and
- C. The Commission, by Order No. G-37-07, established a written public hearing process and a regulatory timetable to review the Application and the F2008 Financial Filing and established the current customer rates as interim, effective April 1, 2007; and
- D. On June 12, 2007 the Commission issued Order No. G-64-07 and Reasons for Decision approving the Application and confirming as permanent, the interim rates effective April 1, 2007; and
- E. By letter dated May 24, 2007, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre, on behalf of its clients, the BC Old Age Pensioners Organization et al. ("BCOAPO") filed an application for participant assistance/cost award for its participation in the BCTC proceeding; and
- F. On September 27, 2007 BCTC replied to the Commission that it did not oppose the PACA application; and
- G. The Commission Panel has reviewed the PACA application with regard to the criteria and rates set out in the Guidelines in Commission Order No. G-15-04 and has determined that the requested funding should be approved for the BCOAPO.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission awards funds to BCOAPO in the amount of \$1,510.50 including GST.
- 2. BCTC is directed provide the PACA in the amount of \$1,510.50 including GST to the BCOAPO in a timely manner.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 4th day of October 2007.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.A. O'Hara Panel Chair and Commissioner