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BCTC Board of Directors Appointed

Ministry of Energy and Mines

VICTORIA - A 10-member board of directors has been appointed to oversee the newly formed British Columbia Transmission Corporation.

The new board is responsible for ensuring the Crown corporation plans, manages and operates BC Hydro's transmission system. The board is tasked with ensuring fair, non-discriminatory access to the system - access that will help foster new generation sources to ensure a secure, reliable supply of energy for the future.

The board will help preserve low rates, maintain fair and independent transmission service for all electricity suppliers and buyers, facilitate new investment in generation and ensure continued access to trade revenue.

Board Members Include

[Nicole Byres](#), personal injury, corporate and municipal lawyer with the law firm of McEwan, Harrison & Co., based in Trail, and former in-house counsel for TeckCominco Metals Ltd.

[Richard C. Campbell](#), former president of British Petroleum for Alaska and Colombia.

[Michael Costello](#), president and CEO of the transmission corporation and president of BC Hydro since 1996.

[John Gill](#), president of Industrial-Alliance Pacific Life Insurance Co.

[Joanne McLeod](#), former vice-president and treasurer of Westcoast Energy (now Duke Energy Gas Transmission).

[Dr. Margot Northey](#), corporate director and former dean of the Queen's University School of Business in Kingston.

[Bev Park](#), vice-president of finance and chief financial officer of TimberWest Forest Corp.

[Bob Reid](#), chair of the transmission corporation, former president of Duke Energy's Canadian operations and chief operating officer of Westcoast Energy.

[Gerald D. Wesley](#), chief negotiator for the Tsimshian Tribal Council.

[Ralph A. Winter](#), Canada research chair in business economics and policy in the Sauder School of Business at UBC.

The transmission corporation will operate and manage 18,000 kilometres of transmission wires and direct new investment in transmission infrastructure upon receiving approval from the BC Utilities Commission. The commission will continue to regulate the terms and rates for transmission services.

The new corporation is expected to officially begin operations this summer.

The British Columbia Transmission Corporation is an independent electric transmission company, ensuring fair and open access to the grid and creating value and opportunities for its customers and stakeholders by providing safe, reliable and cost-effective transmission services. To learn more about BCTC, visit www.bctc.com.

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