

Contemporaneous Disclosure

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Date of Disclosure	Information Disclosed
September 27, 2024	<p>During a meeting held on September 27, 2024, at which a BC Hydro marketing function employee (MFE) was present, an undesignated BC Hydro employee shared non-public transmission function information (NPTFI) and confidential transmission customer information. The potential disclosure of NPTFI was immediately identified and the MFE confirmed that there would be no onward sharing or use of the information. Below is a summary of the issue and the NPTFI that was shared.</p> <p>Starting on August 29, 2024, BC Hydro understands there was an outage on Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA's) system on the Boundary side of Line 71 and that this outage is expected to be long term.¹</p> <p>The BPA outage may cause a change in the posted available transfer capability as a result of parties' rights under the Line 71 Agreement (see BCUC Orders G-18-03 and G-34-04). Whether or when such a change may occur has not yet been determined.</p> <p>¹ BPA posted public notice of the outage but without specifying the duration.</p>
February 9, 2024; March 13, 2024	<p>On February 9 and March 13, 2024, BC Hydro shared, via an internal email Distribution List, confidential materials submitted to and received from the British Columbia Utilities Commission that contained non-public transmission customer information. The email Distribution List included a former member of BC Hydro's Regulatory Group who has since moved into a Marketing Function role. Although no non-public transmission function information was conveyed, the inclusion of the marketing function employee (MFE) on this distribution list disclosed confidential transmission customer information that was intended for limited dissemination.</p>
January 23, 2024	<p>On January 22, 2024 a BC Hydro real-time operator manually approved in OASIS a limited number of Transmission Service Requests (TSRs) in error. This action resulted in discriminatory and preferential treatment of transmission service, which is a violation of section 3 of the SOC.</p> <p>BC Hydro became aware of the issue the following day and published a Transmission Bulletin on January 23, 2024 at 1125 hrs which stated that these manually approved TSRs would be reset in the OASIS queue. Shortly thereafter the affected TSRs were re-queued in their original order.</p>

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	<p>Prior to the Transmission Bulletin being published on January 23, 2024, a Transmission Function Employee (TFE) of BC Hydro conveyed on a phone call with a Marketing Function Employee (MFE) of BC Hydro's subsidiary, Powerex, that there may be an issue with the status of the monthly TSRs that had had their status changed to "Confirmed" the day before. This information was not publicly available at the time (the Transmission Bulletin identifying the real-time operator error and describing the remedial steps BC Hydro intended to take would not be posted until 52 minutes later), making this an apparent disclosure of non-public transmission function information that was not covered by one of the exceptions set out in section 6 of the SOC. This disclosure appears to have been inadvertent and did not result in any market harm.</p>
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