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Mr. Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary and Manager
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British Columbia Utilities Commission
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street
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Dear Mr. Wruck:

RE: Project No. 1599032
British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission)
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)
Fleet Electrification Rate Application (Application)
BC Hydro Reply Submission on Further Process

BC Hydro writes to respond to BCUC Order G-295-19, which requests reply submissions on further process from BC Hydro by December 4, 2019.

Intervener Submissions on Further Process

The Association of Major Power Customers of BC (**AMPC**), British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al. (**BCOAPO**), BC Sustainable Energy Association (**BCSEA**), Clean Energy Association of BC (**CEABC**) and Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia (**CEC**) provided intervener submissions on further process.

The intervener submissions support proceeding to written final arguments. The interveners also made the following submissions:

- AMPC requests that intervener final argument be filed one week after BC Hydro files its final argument. AMPC also requests that the regulatory timetable set by the Commission in this proceeding minimize conflicts and overlaps with the upcoming holiday season and the regulatory timetables that have been established for BC Hydro's Application for the 2019 Letter Agreement with Powerex, BC Hydro's F2020-F2021 Revenue Requirement Application, and the oral hearing scheduled to begin on January 20, 2020;
- BCOAPO requests that a timeline for final arguments to be not earlier than December 16, 2019 due to time constraints;

- BCSEA supports BC Hydro's request for a Commission decision on the Application by February 2020; and
- CEABC takes no position on BC Hydro's request for a Commission decision on the Application by February 2020 other than to note that it would be difficult for any regulator to meet this deadline.

BC Hydro's Reply Submission on Further Process

BC Hydro also supports proceeding to final written arguments and proposes the following schedule:

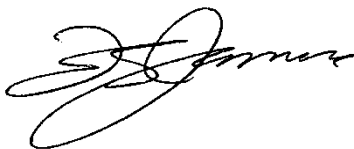
Action	Date
BC Hydro Final Argument	December 13, 2019
Intervener Final Arguments	January 10, 2020
BC Hydro Reply Argument	January 24, 2020

The proposed schedule provides for intervener final arguments to be filed on January 10, 2020, which is intended to minimize conflicts with the holiday season and with other proceedings, particularly BC Hydro's Application for the 2019 Letter Agreement with Powerex, BC Hydro's F2020-F2021 Revenue Requirement Application, and the oral hearing scheduled to begin on January 20, 2020.

In the Application, BC Hydro requested approval of the new rates by February 2020 in order to implement the Demand Transition Rate by April 1, 2020 and the Overnight Rate by April 1, 2021.¹ BC Hydro acknowledges that there may be insufficient time for the Commission to issue a decision by February 2020 if reply argument is filed on January 24, 2020, as proposed by BC Hydro. Given this timeline, BC Hydro would be amendable to a decision by March 2020.

For further information, please contact Anthea Jubb at 604-623-3545 or by email at bchydroregulatorygroup@bchydro.com.

Yours sincerely,



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¹ Exhibit B-1 at page 14.