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December 5, 2019

Mr. Patrick Wruck Commission Secretary and Manager Regulatory Support British Columbia Utilities Commission Suite 410, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Dear Mr. Wruck:

RE: British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission)

**British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)** 

**Transmission Service Market Reference-Priced Rates Application** 

Errata No. 2

BC Hydro writes to file corrections to its Transmission Service Market Reference-Priced Rates Application (**Application**), filed on October 31, 2019.

As explained in BC Hydro's December 5, 2019 letter in compliance with BCUC Order No. G-300-19, it has found certain administrative changes to the Rate Schedule (**RS**) 1893 – Transmission Service – Incremental Energy Rate that was filed in Appendix C of the Application. Specifically, the numbering for Special Condition 7 was omitted in error, which meant that the subsequent Special Conditions were also numbered incorrectly. This resulted in the references to Special Condition 8 and/or 9 in Definitions 3, 8 and 12 being incomplete. BC Hydro has corrected this by replacing the references in those Definitions to identify "Special Condition 7, 8 and/or 9".

BC Hydro has also determined that there are required corrections to the Special Condition references on pages 37, 68 and 69 of the Application to reflect the corrected numbering of the Special Conditions in RS 1893. Specifically, the reference to "Special Condition 10" has been corrected by replacing it with "Special Condition 11".

The corrections to RS 1893 in Appendix C and to the other sections of the Application are enclosed as Errata No. 2.

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Yours sincerely,

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# Transmission Service Market Reference Priced Rates Application

# ERRATA - December 5, 2019

REMOVE	INSERT	NOTE
Application - Page 37	Page 37 – Revision 1 – December 5, 2019	1
Application - Page 68	Page 68 – Revision 1 – December 5, 2019	1
Application - Page 69	Page 69 – Revision 1 – December 5, 2019	1
Application – Appendix C	Appendix C – Revision 1 – December 5, 2019	2

#### Notes:

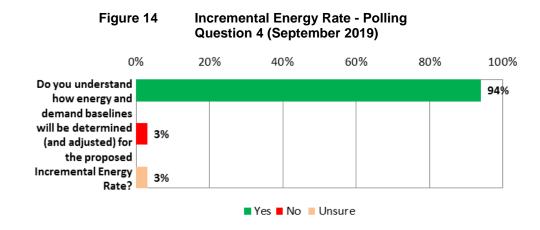
- The reference to Special Condition 10 of Rate Schedule 1893 has been replaced with Special Condition 11. This correction is to reflect the corrected numbering of the Special Conditions in RS 1893 that is explained in Note 2.
- 2. The numbering for Special Condition 7 was omitted in error. The incorrect numbering meant that the subsequent Special Conditions were also numbered incorrectly. The numbering of the Special Conditions has been corrected. The incorrect numbering also resulted in the references to Special Condition 8 and/or 9 in Definitions 3, 8 and 12 being incomplete. BC Hydro has corrected this by replacing the references in those Definitions to identify "Special Condition 7, 8 and/or 9".



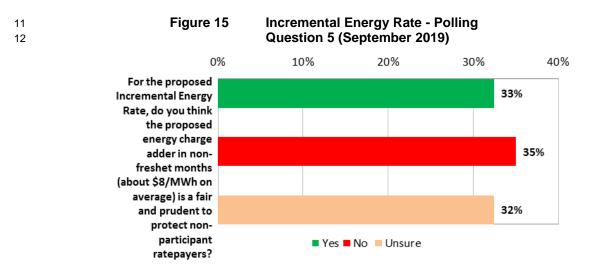
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under the sub-heading "Limitation of RS 1893 Usage for RS 1823 Customers". Refer also to Special Condition 40-11 in Rate Schedule 1893.



- 5 Figure 14 above shows the consolidated poll response (total 67 respondents) from
- the September 2019 workshops regarding BC Hydro's proposed baseline
- 7 determination and adjustment criteria for the Incremental Energy Rate Pilot.
- 8 Ninety-four per cent of respondents confirmed their understanding. BC Hydro
- 9 considers this response to demonstrate strong support for its proposed baseline
- determination and adjustment approach.





- 1 RS 1893 Baseline Adjustments
- If a Customer's RS 1893 baselines are no longer representative of the Customer's
- normal historical electricity usage absent the Incremental Energy Rate Pilot, then
- 4 BC Hydro will make adjustments to those baselines consistent with the principles
- and criteria set out in TS 74. BC Hydro and the Customer will first review any
- 6 proposed adjustments to ensure they are representative of the Customer's normal
- 7 consumption. As with TS 74 baseline adjustment criteria, a key review principle for
- 8 proposed baseline adjustments is to consider the magnitude, complexity and
- 9 materiality of the change given the potential impact to 36 unique baselines
- (e.g., three baselines for each of 12 months). BC Hydro will then file any adjusted
- RS 1893 baselines with the BCUC for approval. In cases where BC Hydro and the
- 12 Customer cannot reach agreement, the BCUC will determine the final RS 1893
- baselines. Once any adjusted RS 1893 baselines have been filed, they will be
- applied for billing on an interim basis subject to BCUC approval. No retroactive
- billing adjustments will be made unless directed by the BCUC.
- Limitation of RS 1893 Usage for RS 1823 customers
- 17 The proposed Special Condition 10-11 of RS 1893 is designed to mitigate the risk of
- unintended use of incremental energy by limiting the amount of electricity a
- customer may purchase under RS 1893. This limitation on RS 1893 usage is equal
- to the baseline amount of electricity the customer purchases under RS 1823.
- 21 Pursuant to Special Condition <del>10</del>11, if a customer's highest kVA Demand in HLH of
- 22 a Billing Period is greater than the Monthly Reference Demand applicable to that
- 23 Billing Period multiplied by 2.0, then: (i) the Monthly Reference Demand for that
- 24 Billing Period will be automatically adjusted to be equal to 50 per cent of the highest
- kVA Demand in HLH during that Billing Period; and (ii) the HLH and LLH Baselines
- for that Billing Period will be automatically adjusted to be equal to 50 per cent of the
- total energy volumes taken by the customer in the HLH and LLH of that Billing
- Period. The adjustments to the Monthly Reference Demand and the HLH and LLH



- Baselines made pursuant to Special Condition 40-11 will be effective as of the start
- of the Billing Period in which the excess electricity was used. The adjusted Monthly
- Reference Demand and the adjusted HLH and LLH Baselines will remain in effect
- for that calendar month in future years of the RS 1893 pilot.
- 5 This limitation on RS 1893 usage would allow a customer to take service under
- 6 RS 1893 to re-start a second line or add a shift, for example, but would mitigate the
- 7 potential for a customer to purchase significant excess volumes of non-firm
- 8 electricity under RS 1893 that BC Hydro considers would normally by purchased
- 9 under RS 1823. This provision does not apply to customers served under RS 1828
- because it would unnecessarily restrict the customer's ability to turndown
- self-generation and increase load (primarily during the freshet period), which is a
- desired outcome of the rate.
- Administration of this provision will require monthly monitoring of participant
- customer electricity consumption by BC Hydro. No BCUC approval is contemplated
- for the adjusted baselines as the adjustment is formulaic and made in accordance
- with Special Condition 10-11 of RS 1893.
- 17 Change in Site Ownership
- BC Hydro is proposing that RS 1893 baselines which have been determined for a
- 19 Customer taking service under RS 1823 or RS 1828 be maintained for the site even
- if there is a change in ownership without need for adjustment or BCUC approval.<sup>41</sup> If
- the new site owner expects to operate the site differently, such that existing site
- baselines are no longer representative of normal RS 1823 or RS 1828 consumption,
- 23 new RS 1893 baselines will be determined by BC Hydro in consultation with the
- customer and require approval by the BCUC.

This approach is consistent with the assignment of the Energy CBL under TS 74.



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# **Appendix C**

Incremental Energy Rate Pilot RS 1893 Revision 1 – December 5, 2019

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#### 5. TRANSMISSION SERVICE

# RATE SCHEDULE 1893 – TRANSMISSION SERVICE – INCREMENTAL ENERGY RATE

Availability	For Customers supplied with Electricity under Rate Schedule 1823 (Transmission Service – Stepped Rate) or Rate Schedule 1828 (Transmission Service – Biomass Energy Program), as applicable, that increase their Electricity usage during each Billing Period, subject to the Special Conditions below.  If a Customer is eligible to take service under this Rate Schedule and Rate Schedule 1892 (Freshet Energy Rate), the Customer may only take		
	service under one of these Rate Schedules in any Billing Year.		
Applicable in	Rate Zone I excluding the Districts of Kingsgate-Yahk and Lardeau-Shutty Bench.		
Termination Date	This Rate Schedule will terminate effective March 31, 2024.		
Rate	Energy Charge:		
	The charge applied to energy supplied under this Rate Schedule 1893 during each HLH and LLH in the Billing Period is equal to:		
	1. The greater of:		
	(a) The Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) Mid-Columbia (Mid-C) Peak or Mid-C Off-Peak weighted average index price, as published by the ICE in the ICE Day Ahead Power Price Report, applicable to the hour on each day of the Billing Period; and		
	(b) \$0/kWh; plus		
	2. An adder of \$3.00/MWh for the May, June and July Billing Periods and \$7.00/MWh for all other Billing Periods.		

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#### **Definitions**

Terms used in this Rate Schedule have the meanings given to them in Electric Tariff Supplement No. 5 or 87 (as applicable) and Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable), unless otherwise defined. In addition, the following terms have the following meanings:

#### 1. Billing Period

Each Billing Period is a calendar month, beginning on the first day of that calendar month and ending on the last day of that calendar month.

#### 2. High Load Hours (**HLH**)

HLH is the period from 06:00 to 22:00 Monday to Saturday, except for Statutory Holidays (New Year's Day, Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, B.C. Day, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Remembrance Day and Christmas Day).

#### 3. HLH Baseline

The Customer's average hourly energy consumption under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828, as applicable, during HLH for each calendar month of the BC Hydro fiscal year commencing April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019 (Fiscal 2019), or other period as determined in accordance with Special Condition 7, 8 and/or 9. For greater certainty, the HLH Baseline will represent the historical electricity consumption in HLH for the calendar month divided by the total number of HLH in that month.

#### 4. HLH Gross Incremental Energy

The hourly energy taken by the Customer during each HLH of the Billing Period in excess of the HLH Baseline, excluding all hours where the energy taken is less than the HLH Baseline.

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5. HLH Net Incremental Energy

The total energy taken by the Customer during all HLH of the Billing Period in excess of the total energy taken by the Customer under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable) during all HLH of the Billing Period.

6. Monthly HLH Net to Gross Ratio

The ratio obtained by dividing HLH Net Incremental Energy by the sum of HLH Gross Incremental Energy for each Billing Period.

7. Low Load Hours (LLH)

LLH are all hours other than HLH.

8. LLH Baseline

The Customer's average hourly energy consumption under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable) during LLH for each calendar month of the BC Hydro fiscal year commencing April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019 (Fiscal 2019), or other period as determined in accordance with Special Condition 7, 8 and/or 9. For greater certainty, the LLH Baseline for each calendar month will represent the historical electricity consumption in LLH for the calendar month divided by the total number of LLH in that month.

9. LLH Gross Incremental Energy

The hourly energy taken by the Customer during each LLH of the current Billing Period in excess of the LLH Baseline, excluding all hours where the energy taken is less than the LLH Baseline.

10. LLH Net Incremental Energy

The total energy taken by the Customer during all LLH of the current Billing Period in excess of the total energy taken by the Customer under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable) during all LLH of the Billing Period.

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	11. Monthly LLH Net to Gross Ratio	
	The ratio obtained by dividing LLH Net Incremental Energy by the sum of LLH Gross Incremental Energy for each Billing Period.	
	12. Monthly Reference Demand	
	The Monthly Reference Demand will be the actual Billing Demand (in kVA) during each Billing Period of Fiscal 2019, or other period as determined in accordance with Special Condition 7, 8 and/or 9, and which is used to determine the Customer's HLH and LLH Baselines.	
Highest kVA Demand for Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828	If the Customer is supplied with Electricity under this Rate Schedule, for the purposes of determining Billing Demand under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable), the highest kVA Demand during the High Load Hours in each Billing Period will be equal to the lesser of:  1. The Monthly Reference Demand; or  2. The actual highest kVA Demand during the High Load Hours in the Billing Period	
	Billing Period.	
Reference Energy for Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828	If the Customer is supplied with Electricity under this Rate Schedule, the energy supplied to the Customer under Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 (as applicable) in each Billing Period will be the total energy supplied to the Customer less HLH and LLH Net Incremental Energy.	
Rate Schedule 1893 Energy Determination	<ol> <li>If HLH Net Incremental Energy is greater than zero, the HLH Gross Incremental Energy for each HLH hour of the Billing Period will be multiplied by the Monthly HLH Net to Gross Ratio. The product will be the amount of energy supplied during that HLH hour under this Rate Schedule.</li> </ol>	
	2. If LLH Net Incremental Energy is greater than zero, the LLH Gross Incremental Energy for each LLH hour of the Billing Period will be multiplied by the Monthly LLH Net to Gross Ratio. The product will be the amount of energy supplied during that LLH hour under this Rate Schedule.	

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	3.	Perio	d will	nergy supplied to the Customer during the current Billing be energy supplied under Rate Schedule 1823 or dule 1828 (as applicable).
Special Conditions	1.	Electricity is available under this Rate Schedule on a pilot basis or until March 31, 2024.		•
	2.	the errefus BC F certa Rein	extent se Servilydro dinty, E	agrees to provide Electricity under this Rate Schedule to that it has energy and capacity to do so. BC Hydro may vice under this Rate Schedule in circumstances where does not have sufficient energy or capacity. For greater BC Hydro will not be required to construct a System nent under Electric Tariff Supplement Nos. 6 or 88 to rvice under this Rate Schedule.
	3.		der for Sche	a Customer to be eligible to take Electricity under this dule:
		(a)	load	Customer must satisfy BC Hydro that it can reduce its to its Monthly Reference Demand within one hour of ving notice to reduce its load from BC Hydro; and
		(b)	BC F	Customer must provide at least 30 days written notice to lydro of its intention to take Electricity under this Schedule as follows:
			(i)	By March 1 for the upcoming Billing Year commencing April 1; or
			(ii)	For the period prior to March 1, 2020, within 30 days of the effective date of this Rate Schedule; or
			(iii)	Where a new RS 1823 Customer commences taking service during the Billing Year and still meets the eligibility criteria (such as by acquiring an existing site with the required consumption history), at least 30 days prior to the start of the next Billing Period; and

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(c)	Any notice provided by a Customer under this subsection
	must include:

- (i) An estimate of the amount of energy (in MWh) that the Customer expects to take under this Rate Schedule during each Billing Period; and
- (ii) A description of the operational and/or production changes, as applicable, that the Customer plans to make at its plant to take advantage of this pilot program.
- 4. If a Customer fails to reduce load to its Monthly Reference Demand in accordance with a notice received from BC Hydro: (a) the Customer will be charged 150% of the Energy Charge applicable to the hour for all RS 1893 Energy supplied during the period that the Customer failed to reduce its load as determined by BC Hydro; and (b) BC Hydro may, at its discretion, cancel the Customer's service under this Rate Schedule. If a Customer's service is cancelled under this subsection, BC Hydro may require the Customer to install load control relays and associated telecommunications equipment at its facilities, at the Customer's cost, and provide BC Hydro with real-time control of these relays before the Customer is again eligible to take service under this Rate Schedule.
- If a Customer has self-generation, Electricity may be taken by that Customer under this Rate Schedule on an instantaneous basis when all or part of the Customer's electrical generating plant is curtailed.
- 6. If a Customer taking service under this Rate Schedule also has an Electricity Purchase Agreement (EPA) with BC Hydro, no HLH and LLH Net Incremental Energy will be determined in any Billing Period if this energy is directly associated with an event of generator turndown, in accordance with and as defined in the EPA, for which the Customer is entitled to financial payment from BC Hydro under the EPA.

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7.	Customers will require at least two years of historical Electricity usage, to be eligible for baseline determination. Customers who have been transferred to service under Rate Schedule 1828 can apply for adjustments to their HLH and LLH Baseline and Reference Demand to reflect their expected Rate Schedule 1828 Electricity usage.
	Where the customer does not have historical annual electricity consumption for Fiscal 2019, the most recent 12 Billing Periods will be used.
<del>7.</del> 8.	If BC Hydro and the Customer agree that the LLH and HLH Baselines and/or Monthly Reference Demand as defined above are not representative of the Customer's normal expected Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828 Electricity usage, as applicable, during each Billing Period, and the parties agree to alternative LLH and HLH Baselines and/or Monthly Reference Demand, BC Hydro will file the agreed-to LLH and HLH Baselines and/or Monthly Reference Demand with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval. In cases where the Customer and BC Hydro cannot reach agreement, the BCUC will determine the final LLH and HLH Baselines and Monthly Reference Demand.
<del>8.</del> 9.	BC Hydro will file with the BCUC any adjustments to the HLH and LLH Baselines and/ or Monthly Reference Demands that are requested by customers and that BC Hydro has determined are consistent with the principles and criteria set out in BC Hydro's "Customer Baseline Load (CBL) Determination Guidelines" Electric Tariff Supplement No. 74.
<del>9.</del> 10.	Subject to direction from the BCUC, BC Hydro will use the LLH and HLH Baselines and Monthly Reference Demand filed in accordance with Special Condition 8 and/or 9 for the purposes of applying this Rate Schedule and Rate Schedule 1823 or Rate Schedule 1828, as applicable.

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10.11. If an RS 1823 customer's highest kVA Demand in HLH of a Billing
Period is greater than the Monthly Reference Demand applicable to
that Billing Period multiplied by 2.0, then: (i) the Monthly Reference
Demand for that Billing Period will be automatically adjusted to be
equal to 50% of the highest kVA Demand in HLH during that Billing
Period; and (ii) the HLH and LLH Baselines for that Billing Period
will be automatically adjusted to be equal to 50% of the total energy
volumes taken by the customer in the HLH and LLH of that Billing
Period. For RS 1823 customers, the adjustments to the Monthly
Reference Demand and the HLH and LLH Baselines made
pursuant to this Special Condition will be effective as of the start of
the Billing Period in which the excess electricity was used. The
adjusted Monthly Reference Demand and the adjusted HLH and
LLH Baselines will remain in effect for that calendar month in future
years of the RS 1893 pilot.

- 41.12.A Customer taking Electricity under this Rate Schedule may, by providing written notice to BC Hydro at any time, cancel supply under this Rate Schedule. In all cases of cancellation, BC Hydro will terminate RS 1893 service for the entire Billing Period in which the cancellation occurs. If supply under RS 1893 is cancelled, all electricity supplied will be billed under RS 1823 or RS 1828 and/or RS 1880, as applicable. BC Hydro will not rebill for any Electricity supplied under RS 1893 in a prior Billing Period. A Customer who cancels RS 1893 service will not be eligible to return to RS 1893 service during the Billing Year, but remains eligible to re-enrol for service under this Rate Schedule for any future Billing Year as long as all other eligibility requirements are met.
- 42.13.If a Customer with self-generation taking Electricity under this
  Rate Schedule requests service under Rate Schedule 1880
  (Standby and Maintenance Supply) during any current Billing
  Period, Electricity supply under this Rate Schedule will be
  automatically cancelled for the remainder of the Billing Year. The
  date the Customer's RS 1880 service request is validated by
  BC Hydro will be the effective date of cancellation.

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	13.14. All monetary amounts referred to in this Rate Schedule will be paid in Canadian currency. The ICE Day Ahead Power Price Report referenced in this Rate Schedule is published in US dollars, and the amounts in the report will be converted from U.S. dollars to Canadian dollars at the Bank of Canada daily exchange rate on the applicable day(s).	
Taxes	The rates set out in this Rate Schedule are exclusive of goods and services and provincial sales taxes, as applicable.	
Note	The terms and conditions under which Transmission Service is supplied are contained in Electric Tariff Supplement Nos. 5 and 6 or Electric Tariff Supplement Nos. 87 and 88 as applicable.	
Rate Rider	The Deferral Account Rate Rider as set out in Rate Schedule 1901applies to all charges payable under this Rate Schedule, before taxes and levies.	

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