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BC HYDRO - F2023-F2025 REVENUE REQUIREMENTS EXHIBIT A-2

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**Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority – Fiscal 2023 to Fiscal 2025 Revenue Requirements
Application -1599243- Regulatory Timetable**

Dear Mr. Sandve:

Further to your August 13, 2021 filing of the above-noted application, please find enclosed British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-263-21 with a regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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Enclosure



ORDER NUMBER
G-263-21

IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Fiscal 2023 to Fiscal 2025 Revenue Requirements Application

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair
A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner
R. I. Mason, Commissioner
A. Pape-Salmon, Commissioner

on September 7, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 2, 2021, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed a letter with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) proposing a regulatory timetable for its Fiscal 2023 to Fiscal 2025 Revenue Requirements Application (Application);
- B. On August 31, 2021, BC Hydro filed its Application with the BCUC pursuant to sections 44.2, and 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) requesting, among other things, the following rate changes:
- net bill decrease of 1.4 percent on April 1, 2022, followed by
 - net bill increases of 2.0 percent on April 1, 2023, and
 - net bill increase of 2.7 percent on April 1, 2024;
- C. BC Hydro also requests a number of items to be held confidential:
- (i) Certain information in Chapter 6, Appendix I, and Appendix V, containing customer-specific or commercially sensitive information which may potentially prejudice the customer's competitive position,
 - (ii) Chapter 10, Appendix U, Appendix V, and Appendix W, which contains information on BC Hydro's Electrification Plan, until mid to late September, and
 - (iii) Appendix JJ related to Mandatory Reliability Standards (MRS) as this information relates to the protection of cyber infrastructure and the safety and reliability of the Bulk Electric System;
- D. BC Hydro states it is able to make non-customer specific project information in Chapter 6 and Appendix I, available to registered interveners but reserves the right to object to a request for access to confidential information on a case-by-case basis;

- E. BC Hydro also states that information in Chapter 10, Appendices U, V, and W can be made available to registered interveners upon request and upon signing an appropriate undertaking to keep the information confidential; and
- F. The BCUC has considered the regulatory process proposed by BC Hydro as outlined in Exhibit B-1 for the review of the Application and determines that the establishment of a regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. The Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application is established as set out in Appendix A to this order. Parties who wish to actively participate in the proceeding are to register with the BCUC by completing a [Request to Intervene Form](#), available on the BCUC's website under Get Involved, by the date established in the Regulatory Timetable and in accordance with the BCUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure attached to Order G-15-19.
2. BC Hydro must provide a copy of this order within two business days of its issuance, electronically where possible, to all registered interveners and interested parties who participated in the BC Hydro F2022 RRA proceeding.
3. BC Hydro must publish in print/display-ad format the Public Notice in Appendix B, on or before Friday, September 17, 2021, in appropriate news publications to provide adequate notice to the public in its service area. Print advertising must include, but is not limited to, the following media outlets:
 - The Vancouver Sun
 - The Prince George Citizen
 - The Victoria Times Colonist
 - The Kelowna Daily Courier
 - The Alaska Highway News
 - Nanaimo News Bulletin
 - Kamloops This Week
4. BC Hydro must post the Public Notice in Appendix B on its Twitter, LinkedIn, and Facebook social media platforms, on or before Thursday, September 9, 2021. It must also publish weekly reminder notices on each of these platforms until the conclusion of the intervener registration period on Tuesday, September 28, 2021.
5. BC Hydro must make the Application and this order available on its website at <http://www.bchydro.com> by Thursday, September 9, 2021.
6. The BCUC will hold confidential Chapter 6, Appendix I and V which contains customer-specific or commercially sensitive information and Appendix JJ as it pertains to MRS. The BCUC will also hold confidential Chapter 10, Appendix U, V, and W, pertaining to BC Hydro's Electrification Plan, until further notice.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 7th day of September 2021.

BY ORDER

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D.M. Morton', written in a cursive style.

D.M. Morton
Commissioner

Attachment

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
F2023 to F2025 Revenue Requirements Application

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2021)
BC Hydro publishes Notice of Application on its social media platforms	Thursday, September 9
BC Hydro publishes Notice of Application in print/display-ad format	Friday, September 17
Intervener Registration	Tuesday, September 28
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to BC Hydro	Thursday, October 28
Intervener IR No. 1 to BC Hydro	Thursday, November 4
BC Hydro responses to BCUC and Intervener IRs No. 1	Monday, December 13

Action	Date (2022)
BCUC IR No. 2 to BC Hydro	Tuesday, February 8
Intervener IR No. 2 to BC Hydro	Tuesday, February 15
BC Hydro responses to BCUC and Intervener IRs No. 2	Thursday, March 31
Notice of intent to file Intervener Evidence	Thursday, April 14
Procedural Conference*	Wednesday, April 20 commencing at 9:00 a.m.
Further process	To be determined

*Location and format to be determined.



We want to hear from you

BC HYDRO'S FISCAL 2023 to FISCAL 2025 RATE APPLICATION

On August 31, 2021, BC Hydro filed its F2023 to F2025 Revenue Requirements Application (Rate Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), seeking approval of a net bill decrease of 1.4% effective April 1, 2022, followed by net bill increases of 2% effective April 1, 2023 and 2.7 % effective April 1, 2024.

The BCUC encourages all those interested in the Rate Application to share their feedback and input by getting involved in the proceeding.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- 💡 **Submit a letter of comment**
- 💡 **Register as an interested party**
- 💡 **Request intervener status**

IMPORTANT DATES

- 💡 **Tuesday, September 28, 2021** – Deadline to register as an intervener with the BCUC

More information about the Rate Application can be found at www.bcuc.com on our Current Proceedings page. For more information on how to get involved, please visit our website (www.bcuc.com/get-involved) or contact us at the information below.

GET MORE INFORMATION

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