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January 24, 2020

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: Project No. 1599047 British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission) British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) FortisBC Energy Inc. and FortisBC Inc. Evacuation Relief Tariff Amendment Applications

BC Hydro writes in compliance with Commission Order No. G-249-19 and the Commission's letter dated November 1, 2020.

Directive No. 3

BC Hydro confirms that the Order was provided to all registered interveners in BC Hydro's Fiscal 2017 to Fiscal 2019 Revenue Requirements Application and Fiscal 2020 to Fiscal 2021 Revenue Requirements Application.

Directive No. 4

BC Hydro published the amended public notice on its Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook social media platforms as follows:

Twitter	https://twitter.com/bchydro/status/1219635936847388672?s=20
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LinkedIn	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/bc-hydro_were-seeking-approval-from-the-british-columbia- activity-6625286906420740096-4MZF



Directive No. 5

BC Hydro is providing copies of amended public notice, as published in the following news publications:

The Province	January 23, 2020
The Vancouver Sun	January 17, 2020

Directive No. 6

BC Hydro confirms that it has made copies of Part 2 of the Application and non-confidential supporting material available for inspection at its head office.

BC Hydro also placed a copy of the Application on its website at: <u>https://www.bchydro.com/content/dam/BCHydro/customer-</u> <u>portal/documents/corporate/regulatory-planning-documents/regulatory-filings/tariffs/00-</u> 2019-08-08-bch-evacuee-assistance-evacuation-relief-tariff-application-ff.pdf.

For further information, please contact Chris Sandve at 604-974-4641 or by email at <u>bchydroregulatorygroup@bchydro.com</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020

Teen facing charges after row at Port Coquitlam middle school

RCMP official cautions against making 'snap judgments' about incident

JENNIFER SALTMAN

A 13-year-old Maple Ridge boy is accused of assault and uttering threats in connection with an incident that took place at a Port Coquitlam middle school.

On Jan. 10, around 3:15 p.m., police were called to Citadel Middle School, where there had apparently been what police called "a verbal confrontation" involving four boys and one girl. According to cops, the confrontation turned physical when the girl used "a low level of physical force" and the teen boy allegedly responded using "an inappropriate level of force," injuring the girl. Police have recommended

charges of assault causing bodily

The teen, who doesn't have a his-

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tory with police and can't be identified because of his age, was released from custody and will appear in provincial court in PoCo at a later date.

The girl's mother has posted on Facebook that the boys were making profane and lewd comments to her 14-year-old daughter, who was picking up her sisters from the school, and that one of the boys was in her face, so she pushed him away. She alleges her daughter was then punched in the face and choked, and her face was cut and bloodied. The mother said one of the boys

filmed the incident.

Coquitlam RCMP Cpl. Michael McLaughlin said in a news release that people have been making "snap judgments" about the incident on social media that contradict video evidence, witness statements and "established facts of this investigation."

"It's completely understandable that people are reacting emotionally to this file, especially since children are involved," McLaughlin said.

"But it's important that we conduct an impartial investigation. We ask that people do not make judgments based on social media posts."

The investigation continues, and police say more charges are possible.

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BC Hydro Fiscal 2020 to Fiscal 2021 Revenue Requirements Application

Collision call turns grim after body found in SUV

LOUISE DICKSON Victoria Times Colonist

VICTORIA — A routine call to a collision west of Victoria turned sinister Monday night when police discovered the body of a man inside a sport utility vehicle.

West Shore RCMP received a report of a single-vehicle crash at 11:30 p.m. in the 3100-block of Humpback Road.

"However, when they got there, they definitely noticed there was much more suspicious activity taking place here and so this isn't just a simple collision," said West Shore RCMP spokeswoman Const. Nancy Saggar. "Once we were able to examine the scene further, we were able to determine there was evidence leading us to believe this was a homicide."



Const. Nancy Saggar

The Vancouver Island Integrated Major Crime Unit is leading the murder investigation.

Police don't believe the community is at-risk, said Saggar.

"The evidence we have gathered, thus far, is leading us to believe this is a targeted crime, that this victim is the intended victim."

Police aren't releasing the name of the victim, and are still in the process of notifying his next of kin.

Saggar said she couldn't comment on whether the victim was known to police or whether investigators had any suspects.

Both West Shore and Major Crime Unit officers are gathering evidence, said Saggar. Because of the collision, traffic analysts as well as forensic identification officers are working together on the case, she said.

"The plan is to process the scene as much as possible."

On Tuesday, police canvassed the rural neighbourhood.

They're hoping to talk to anyone who was in the area between 9 p.m. and midnight. Police are also asking area residents to review their home-security video surveillance or dash cameras in case suspicious activity has been captured.

A10 FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020 VANCOUVER SUN



Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, right, pictured visiting a women's shelter in the city this week, could become the latest wealthy couple to flock to the so-called "gateway city" of Vancouver. AFP PHOTO/JUSTICE FOR GIRLS

ROYAL MILLIONAIRE MIGRANTS?

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They're planning on settling in Canada to a certain degree, but they're giving no indications they're here to obtain citizenship.

Even though the world has been watching as Meghan and son Archie have spent much of the past two months on Vancouver Island and in Metro Vancouver — and Queen Elizabeth has acknowledged the family is going "through a period of transition in which the Duke and Duchess will spend time in Canada and the United Kingdom" — several things are unknown.

The exact migration status of Meghan and Harry is up in the air, for instance. Still, the couple fits loosely into the category of "millionaire migrants."

That's the title of the seminal book University of B.C. geographer David Ley wrote to describe the escalating movement of transnational wealthy people flocking to the world's "gateway" cities, such as Vancouver, in search of some sort of haven.

And should the moneyed royal couple buy a home in this country, they would be signing in on the current global fashion in real estate. Canada and B.C. — especially high-priced Metro Vancouver, Victoria and Toronto (where Markle has worked as an actress) — are prime destinations for the world's wealthy to purchase properties. If Harry and Meghan put down money on a dwelling in Metro Vancouver, Victoria or in certain other urban centres on the West Coast, however, Vancouver immigration lawyer Sam Hyman says they would be subject to the B.C. government's foreign-buyers tax — and perhaps to its speculation and vacancy tax.

In that way, the famous couple would end up in the same boat as tens of thousands of other foreign national property owners in B.C. who do not spend more than six months a year in the country (which normally means Ottawa does not tax their income).

The NDP government is already beginning to take in hundreds of millions of dollars a year from targeting lightly used, non-resident-owned B.C. properties with such taxes, which are similar to those in many sought-after global cities, including London, home to Buckingham Palace.

Since they are British and American citizens, Harry and Meghan are distinct in one way. They don't hail from Asia, the continent that's by far the largest source of new arrivals in Canada.

As such, they don't have to apply for a visitor's visa to make a home in Canada for up to six months a year.

That distinguishes them from the more than three million people from countries such as China and India who have in recent years been snapping up Canada's 10-year multiple-entry visas.

Yet long-term visitors such as Harry, Meghan and Archie add in a way to the country's exploding stock of non-permanent residents, a cohort made up mostly of international students and various types of guest workers. This group makes up two of three of the roughly one million new migrants to Canada each year, as well as of the more than 110,000 moving annually into B.C.

Regardless of the category of non-permanent resident to which the royal family end up belonging, the consequences end up being similar in regards to lifestyle options — especially when it comes to Canada's housing market.

Even though it's anybody's guess whether Prince Harry and Meghan will buy property in B.C., it's common for non-permanent residents to do so.

Such foreign nationals are free to come and go almost as they wish, whether to visit family or enjoy part-time living near evergreen forests.

Although the details of the royal couple's future in Canada are understandably murky including how they might engage in work or what they'll do for housing — there is no doubt their expressed interest in setting up a part-time home in this country, particularly in B.C., fits into several new and widespread migration narratives. *dtodd@postmedia.com*

ROYAL QUERIES

What role might Harry and Meghan fulfil in Canada?

Now that Queen Elizabeth has extended her blessing for her grandson Prince Harry and Meghan, the Duchess of Sussex, to spend extended time in Canada, questions have arisen about what official duties they might play here.

1. Would Prince Harry, as grandson of the Queen, have any royal powers?

No. Canada's constitutional monarchy dictates that the Queen of the United Kingdom is Canada's head of state. As such, Queen Elizabeth does have a constitutional role in Canada's government. Normally those functions are carried out by the Governor General federally and lieutenant-governors in the provinces.

If Harry and Meghan live in Canada, they would have "no ability to exercise any constitutional function of the monarch, as only the Queen is recognized as having the capacity to act formally," says Andrew Heard, a political-science professor at Simon Fraser University.

\mathcal{Z} . Could the Duke and Duchess of Sussex take on some other official role?

Canada could invite Prince Harry or the Duchess of Sussex to take on some kind of ceremonial, non-constitutional role, but that could become complicated, says Philippe Lagasse, a Carleton University expert on the Westminster system and the crown.

"You do still have the official representatives of the Queen here," Lagasse said. A lot will depend on what they want to do in Canada.

\Im . Could Prince Harry become the next governor general?

While there's no legal bar against it, and members of the Royal Fam-

ily have served as governors general, experts say it's highly unlikely.

"There is still strong republican sentiment in Quebec. ... It would be a calculated risk to choose a Briton as our governor general," said Michael Jackson, president of the Institute for the Study of the Crown in Canada. He notes the role of governors general in Canada "carefully takes into account the ethnic and linguistic makeup of the country."

"Today, the Governor General is expected to be fluent in both official languages and to represent the population, which obviously Harry and Meghan can't do the same way," Jackson said.

4. How would Harry and Meghan's coming to Canada differ from an official royal visit?

When members of the Royal Family come to Canada on official visits, they are acting as personal representatives of the Queen.

If royals wish to visit Canada privately, they are free to and their presence in Canada does not require protocol officers or official welcomes. Such was the case when Meghan and Harry spent a quiet few weeks on Vancouver Island over the holidays.

5. Who will foot the bill for the couple's security costs?

Finance Minister Bill Morneau said the federal government hasn't decided if it will cover any security costs associated with Harry and Meghan's time in Canada. *The Canadian Press*



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