



August 31, 2017

BCUC INQUIRY RESPECTING SITE C	A-6
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**Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority – British Columbia Utilities Commission Inquiry
Respecting Site C – Project No. 1598922**

In its order initiating the Inquiry into Site C (Order G-120-17), the Panel stated that members of the public may comment on the Commission’s preliminary report, and those comments will be considered by the Commission in the preparation of its final report. Further, the Panel committed to conduct a public consultation process following the publication of its preliminary report.

With the first phase of data and analysis collection closed as of August 30, 2017, the Panel is now beginning its deliberations and will issue a preliminary report on September 20, 2017, which will be made available to the public. Members of the public are invited to register online at www.sitecinquiry.com or by telephone at 1-844-815-6190 to attend and, if applicable, provide an oral submission at a Community Input Session. Registration for the Community Input Sessions will open on Wednesday, September 6. Walk-ins are welcome, space permitting, on a first come first served basis. The following Community Input Sessions have been confirmed.

Location	Date (2017)	Time	Venue
Vancouver	Saturday, September, 23	1:00–5:00 p.m.	1125 Howe Street , 12 th floor
Kamloops	Sunday, September 24	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Kamloops Coast Hotel
Kelowna	Monday, September 25	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Kelowna Coast Capri
Nelson	Tuesday, September 26	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Nelson Best Western Hotel
Prince George	Friday, September 29	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Prince George Ramada Hotel
Hudson’s Hope	Saturday, September 30	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Pearkes Centre
Fort St. John	Sunday, October 1	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Fort St. John Pomeroy Hotel
Fort St. John	Monday, October 2	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Fort St. John Pomeroy Hotel
Vancouver	Thursday, October 5	6:00–10:00 p.m.	1125 Howe Street , 12 th floor
Nanaimo	Tuesday, October 10	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Nanaimo Coast Bastion Hotel
Victoria	Wednesday, October 11	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Delta Ocean Pointe Hotel

Purpose of the Community Input Sessions

The purpose of the Community Input Sessions is for the Panel to gather public feedback on its preliminary report. Making a submission at a Community Input Session is equal to providing a written submission; however, only oral submissions will be received at the Community Input Sessions. Speaker guidelines will be available on the BCUC website at www.sitecinquiry.com.

Members of the public who wish to make written submissions on the preliminary report may do so on or before October 11, 2017 as follows:

Email: sitecsubmission@bcuc.com

Fax: 604-660-1102

Mail: 410-900 Howe Street, Vancouver BC V6Z 2N3

Details of the Community Input Sessions

Scope of submissions: The Panel seeks public feedback on its preliminary report which will be issued on September 20, 2017. The scope of the Site C Inquiry is outlined in Order-in-Council (OIC) No. 244, available on the BCUC website at www.sitecinquiry.com. In accordance with the OIC, the preliminary report will outline progress to date and preliminary findings. Oral submissions at the Community Input Sessions, as well as those filed in writing, are requested to be limited to the contents of the preliminary report and any other specific matters the Panel may seek submissions on. Submissions made on matters outside of the scope of the OIC will form a part of the public record, but will not be considered by the Panel.

Publishing submissions: The oral submissions made at these Community Input Sessions, along with the name of the person making the submission, will form part of the public inquiry record, will be transcribed, and will inform the Panel's final report. All submissions made at a Community Input Session, as well as those submitted via email, fax or mail, will be published on the Site C Inquiry website at www.sitecinquiry.com.

Registering to attend and/or provide oral submission: Members of the public are invited to register to attend a Community Input Session and/or request to speak. This can be done by visiting the BCUC's Site C Inquiry website at www.sitecinquiry.com or by contacting 1-844-815-6190. Registration for the Community Input Sessions opens on Wednesday, September 6 and closes at 8 p.m. the day prior to each Community Input Session. Registrants must check in at least 20 minutes prior to each session.

Registered speakers: Speakers will be called in the order that they registered. They must check in no later than 20 minutes before the start time and be in the room when called upon. The opportunity to speak is not guaranteed as it depends on the number of speakers checked in and the time taken by each speaker. Each speaker will have a maximum of 5 minutes each to speak. Visual presentations and the distribution of collateral material are not allowed but may be submitted as part of the normal written submission process.

General conduct: In addition to any other matters of conduct the Panel may establish at the Community Input Sessions, members of the public are advised that:

- The Panel Chair will make an opening and closing statement that will indicate the beginning and end of the transcription of the Community Input Session.
- Panel members may ask questions of a speaker.
- Speakers and observers must act civilly. Disruption of the Community Input Session by individuals will not be tolerated by the Panel and may result in the early termination of a session.
- There is to be no video recording of the session.

Access to the preliminary report: When issued on September 20, 2017, the Panel’s preliminary report will be available on the BCUC’s Site C Inquiry website at www.sitecinquiry.com. Paper copies of the preliminary report will be made available. Details on how to obtain paper copies will be provided closer to the issuance date. The executive summary of this report will be available to attendees at the Community Input Sessions.

Other sessions

Separate sessions will be scheduled for the Panel to hear First Nations submissions. Members of the public are welcome to attend; however, speaking spots are reserved for First Nations. Further information on these sessions will be provided at a later date.

Additionally, the Panel will contact individuals and organizations if it requires further information or clarification on their submissions. This may result in an invitation to make a technical presentation to the Panel. These sessions will be open to the general public to attend; however, speaking spots are reserved for those individuals and organizations who have been invited to present by the Panel. Further information on these sessions will be provided at a later date.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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