



September 7, 2017

BCUC INQUIRY RESPECTING SITE C A-7

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**Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority – British Columbia Utilities Commission Inquiry
Respecting Site C – Project No. 1598922**

In accordance with British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) Order G-121-17 and the terms of reference set out in section 3 of Order in Council (OIC) No. 244, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) filed public and confidential submissions with the Commission on August 30, 2017. The public submission, which contains the same content as the confidential submission but with redactions to confidential information, is accessible on the Commission's Site C Inquiry website as submission F1-1.

The Commission in Order G-120-17 stated that it has engaged the consulting firm Deloitte LLP to produce independent reports on the questions posed in section 3(b) of the terms of reference in OIC No. 244 and that it will publish all non-confidential aspects of the Deloitte LLP independent reports prior to issuing its preliminary report due on September 20, 2017.

The Commission will be making available the Deloitte LLP reports, with redactions to all information provided confidentially to Deloitte LLP from BC Hydro, on Friday, September 8, 2017. These redacted reports will be accessible on the Commission's Site C Inquiry website.

Parties requesting access to the confidential (i.e. un-redacted) versions of BC Hydro's submission or of Deloitte LLP's reports must submit a request electronically to BC Hydro at bchydroregulatorygroup@bchydro.com. The Commission considers it appropriate for BC Hydro to address all requests for confidentiality, including requests related to the Deloitte LLP reports, because the confidential information in the Deloitte LLP reports pertains to BC Hydro. All requests for access to confidential information must include the following:

- An explanation as to the reason(s) for the request and a statement describing how access to the confidential information pertains to their participation in the Site C Inquiry; and
- A signed Confidentiality Declaration and Undertaking Form. The Declaration and Undertaking Form is a binding commitment by the requestor: (i) to use the confidential information disclosed exclusively for purposes related to the inquiry; (ii) to hold the information in confidence; (iii) to not reproduce the document(s) disclosed; and (iv) to return to BC Hydro the confidential document(s) or to destroy the confidential document(s) within fourteen (14) days of the Commission's issuance of the final report in the Site C Inquiry.

The Confidentiality Declaration and Undertaking Form is attached with this letter and can also be accessed on the Commission's website at the following address:

<http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Participant-Info/Declaration-and-Undertaking.pdf>

Should a dispute arise regarding access to confidential information, the Commission will determine whether or not access should be granted and upon what terms.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary



Confidentiality Declaration and Undertaking Form

In accordance with the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, please provide a completed form to the Commission Secretary at commission.secretary@bcuc.com. If email is unavailable, please mail the form to the address above. The party who filed the document confidentially must also be provided a copy of this form.

Undertaking

I, _____, am representing the party _____ in the matter of

In this capacity, I request access to the confidential information in the record of this proceeding. I understand that the execution of this undertaking is a condition of an Order of the Commission, and the Commission may enforce this Undertaking pursuant to the provisions of the *Administrative Tribunal Act*.

I hereby undertake:

- (a) to use the information disclosed under the conditions of the Undertaking exclusively for duties performed in respect of this proceeding;
- (b) not to divulge information disclosed under the conditions of this Undertaking except to a person granted access to such information or to staff of the Commission;
- (c) not to reproduce, in any manner, information disclosed under the conditions of this Undertaking except for purposes of the proceeding;
- (d) to keep confidential and to protect the information disclosed under the conditions of this Undertaking;
- (e) to return to the applicant, _____, all documents and materials containing information disclosed under the conditions of this Undertaking, including notes and memoranda based on such information, or to destroy such documents and materials within fourteen (14) days of the Commission’s final decision in the proceeding; and
- (f) to report promptly to the Commission any violation of this Undertaking.

Signed at _____ this .

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Representing (if applicable): _____