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November 24, 2015

**BC Hydro 2015 Rate Design** 

**EXHIBIT A-7** 

Dear Ms. Priest:

Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority 2015 Rate Design Application

This letter is in response to your reconsideration request dated November 6, 2015, and posted as Exhibit C19-3 in the above noted proceeding.

We have reviewed your request and find that it does not sufficiently meet the Commission's reconsideration criteria to warrant proceeding to Phase 1 of the Reconsideration Process. The Commission's Reconsideration Guidelines outline that a party must "be able to identify a specific error which the Commission made in arriving at its decision." It clearly states that an intervener "cannot have a decision reconsidered or appealed merely because he or she is unhappy with the result of the decision." Once a significant error is identified an application for reconsideration proceeds in two phases. In the first phase of the reconsideration process, a party must establish a prima facie case sufficient to warrant full reconsideration by the Commission. You can find more information about the Reconsideration process on our website at <a href="http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/2009/DOC">http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/2009/DOC</a> 22551 Reconsideration-Criteria.pdf.

In your November 6, 2015 request you state: "I am deeply dismayed by the Commission's decision..." and ask the Commission Panel to "reconsider this decision after consideration of new evidence and additional clarification of related issues that are within the proposed scope of this proceeding." You proceeded to identify aspects of the evidentiary record, including the Cost of Service Study, that are within the current proceeding; however you have not provided new information that the Panel has not considered, nor have you identified a significant error made in the rendering of its decision in Order G-175-15.

The Panel considered the submissions of ten interveners who argued that the Meter Choices Program charges should be reviewed in the BC Hydro 2015 Rate Design Application proceeding, and found that there was "no evidence in support of reviewing them again at this time."

While we appreciate your desire to reiterate your concerns, unless you are able to satisfactorily identify new evidence to be considered, or a significant error made in the rendering of the decision in Order G-175-15, we cannot proceed with your request for reconsideration.

As a secondary issue, you filed this submission on November 6, 2015 presumably also to provide "additional clarification on issues [interveners] intend to pursue that are within the scope of this proceeding" in order to not have your intervener status rescinded. You have not sufficiently demonstrated that the interests you intend to pursue are within the scope of this proceeding, and therefore your status as an intervener in this proceeding is confirmed as rescinded.

If you have questions about the reconsideration process please contact me, or lead staff, Yolanda Domingo at 604 660 4700.

Yours truly,

Erica Hamilton

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