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TO: **CITY OF VANCOUVER**
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PROJECT NO: **1598941**
APPLICATION NAME: **BCUC Inquiry into the Regulation of
Electric Vehicle Charging Service**

1.0 Reference: Exhibit C5-2, page 11 (lines 25-27)

- 1.1 What restricts interested businesses from being able to recover their costs (e.g., is it the limited number of current EV users in total, is it the ability of many EV users to charge “at home”, is it the availability of free/subsidized service offered by other parties, or other factors)?

2.0 Reference: Exhibit C5-2, page 13 (lines 22-28)

- 2.1 How would the Commission determine those situations where “no practical alternative is available”?
- 2.2 What form would the City of Vancouver see the guidelines on pricing for EV charging stations taking (e.g., would they set a maximum rate that EV charging stations could charge or simply define the types of costs that the rates should be designed to recover)?

3.0 Reference: Exhibit C5-2, pages 13 (lines 22-28) and page 14 (lines 19-22)

- 3.1 Please reconcile the City’s responses to questions #3 and #4. In response to #3 the City suggested that simple guidelines for pricing be provided. However, in response to #4 the City indicates that the traditional cost of service model should be established as the default approach.

4.0 Reference: Exhibit C5-2, page 15 (line 25-27)

- 4.1 In what ways might the provision of EV charging service by traditional utilities impede the entry and growth of other competitive participant in the market?
- 4.2 What restrictions/conditions should be applied to traditional utilities seeking to provide EV charging services to address these issues? If applicable, please address separately the circumstances where such service is provided by: i) the regulated utility or ii) by a separate non-regulated affiliate of the utility.