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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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Attention: Patrick Wruck, Commission Secretary and Manager, Regulatory Support

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re: British Columbia Utilities Commission an Inquiry into the Regulation of Municipal Energy Utilities ~ Project No. 1599027

We are counsel to the British Columbia Municipal Electrical Utilities (the "BCMEU"). The BCMEU is a registered intervener in the above-noted Inquiry.

We write in response to Exhibit A-6 and Commission Order G-316-19 updating the regulatory timetable (the "Order"). The Order seeks comments from Interveners on further process including comments on the proposed timeline attached as Appendix B to the Order.

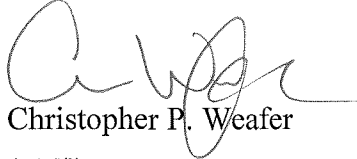
The BCMEU has had the opportunity to review the submissions made in response to the Order by the City of Richmond, also a registered intervener in this proceeding. The BCMEU is supportive of the submissions made by the City of Richmond with respect to the timeline they propose. At this time the BCMEU does not intend to file evidence and can manage availability issues.

The BCMEU submits that it would contribute to the efficiency of the regulatory process if the Commission would provide its non-binding preliminary views in response to the submissions made by registered interveners on the questions posed in paragraph 4.(1) (a-e) of Order G-177-19, or alternatively provide additional scoping questions to participants as a next step in the process. The BCMEU submits this step would serve to better focus any intervener evidence, further submissions and Information Request responses.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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cc: BCMEU

cc: Registered Interveners