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CREATIVE ENERGY – 2019-2020 REVENUE REQUIREMENT FOR CORE STEAM AND NEFC EXHIBIT A-7

Mr. Rob Gorter
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Re: Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. –2019-2020 Revenue Requirements Application for the Core Steam System and Northeast False Creek Service Areas – Amended Regulatory Timetable

Dear Mr. Gorter:

Further to your December 19, 2019 filing of the above-noted application, please find enclosed British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-103-20 with an Amended Regulatory Timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
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ORDER NUMBER
G-103-20

IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.
2019-2020 Revenue Requirements Application for the
Core Steam System and Northeast False Creek Service Areas

BEFORE:
A. K. Fung, QC, Panel Chair
K. A. Keilty, Commissioner
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on May 1, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

A. On December 19, 2019, Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. (Creative Energy) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) a 2019-2020 Revenue Requirements Application (RRA) for the core steam system (Core Steam System) and Northeast False Creek (NEFC) service areas (Application);

B. In the Application, Creative Energy requests for the Core Steam System, among other things, the following approvals:

    (i) Permanent approval to maintain rates for the Core Steam System (Steam Rates) at 2019 interim approved rates, effective January 1, 2019;

    (ii) Interim and permanent approval of an increase in Steam Rates of 4.2 percent, effective January 1, 2020; and

    (iii) Interim and permanent approval to establish a Deferral Account Rate Rider (DARR) to recover specific non-rate base regulatory and pension-related deferred costs from Core Steam System customers over a two-year amortization period, commencing January 1, 2020;

C. Creative Energy also requests for the NEFC service area, among other things, the following approvals:

    (i) Permanent approval to maintain NEFC's fixed and variable rates (Hot Water Service Rates) at 2019 interim approved rates, effective January 1, 2019;

    (ii) Interim and permanent approval of an increase in Hot Water Service Rates of 3.7 percent, effective January 1, 2020; and

(iii) Interim and permanent approval to charge a Fuel Cost Adjustment Charge (FCAC) Rate Rider to NEFC customers to recover the existing FCAC Rate Rider in effect for Core Steam System customers, effective January 1, 2020 and ending February 28, 2021;

D. By Orders G-7-20A and G-29-20 dated January 15, 2020 and February 21, 2020, respectively, the BCUC established, among other things, a regulatory timetable for the review of the Application, which included Creative Energy filing an evidentiary update and a proposal for the potential recovery of the balance in its Fuel Switch Study and LTRP Deferral Account, two rounds of information requests (IRs) by the BCUC and interveners, and the filing of written final and reply arguments;

E. By letter dated April 30, 2020, Creative Energy requested an extension to the filing deadline of its final argument from May 12, 2020 to May 21, 2020, stating that due to the BCUC's direction for Creative Energy to file a proposal for the potential recovery of the balance in the Fuel Switch Study and LTRP Deferral Account, it requires more time to address the expanded scope of issues in its final argument; and

F. The BCUC has reviewed Creative Energy's extension request and considers that amending the regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that the regulatory timetable established by Order G-29-20 is amended, as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of May 2020.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A. K. Fung
Commissioner

Attachment

Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.
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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)
Creative Energy responses to BCUC and Intervener Information Request (IR) No. 2	Tuesday, May 5
Creative Energy Final Argument	Thursday, May 21
Intervener Final Argument	Thursday, May 28
Creative Energy Reply Argument	Thursday, June 4