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Ms. Marija Tresoglavic
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Suite 410, 900 Howe Street
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Dear Ms. Tresoglavic:

**RE: Project No. 1599102
British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission)
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)
2020 Transfer Pricing Agreement Application (the Application)
Extension Request to File
Responses to BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 1**

BC Hydro writes to request an extension to the deadline to file responses to BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 1 in this proceeding.

On October 2, 2020, the BCUC issued its decision on BC Hydro's Fiscal 2020 to Fiscal 2021 Revenue Requirements Application (**Decision**). As a result of the extensive work associated with certain Directives in the Decision, BC Hydro and Powerex staff involved in this proceeding have not been able to dedicate time to respond to the information requests. An extension to the deadline to file responses to information requests in this proceeding will provide BC Hydro and Powerex staff with the time required to provide complete responses and will better align with the work required as a result of certain Directives in the Decision.

In BC Hydro's view, the Decision indicated that there is confusion and a need for improved clarity with regard to issues around BC Hydro's cost of energy and energy studies models and it included several Directives to provide information and clarifications with regard to these issues in a compliance filing by December 1, 2020.

BC Hydro recognizes the importance of providing quality information in response to these Directives. This requires considerable attention and time from BC Hydro staff involved in this proceeding. In addition, some of the compliance filing Directives in the Decision may overlap with issues raised through information requests in this proceeding. BC Hydro considers that the most efficient way to address any potential overlapping issues is to provide the required information in the compliance filing first and then file

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responses to the information requests in this proceeding, including excerpts from the compliance filing for reference, where required.

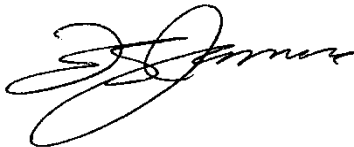
BC Hydro and Powerex staff have also been considering the implications of Directive 17 of the Decision, including any potential implications for the 2020 Transfer Pricing Agreement. BC Hydro and Powerex staff require more time to consider any potential implications from Directive 17 before responding to the information requests in this proceeding.

In addition, once the compliance filing is completed on December 1, 2020, BC Hydro staff involved in this proceeding will be focused on completing the Fiscal 2022 Revenue Requirements Application, which BC Hydro will be filing in December.

Accordingly, and considering the holiday break, BC Hydro respectfully requests an extension to file responses to BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 1 in this proceeding to January 28, 2021. This extension would provide BC Hydro and Powerex staff with the time required to provide quality responses to the compliance filing Directives and fully consider any potential implications of Directive 17 for the 2020 Transfer Pricing Agreement, before responding to the information requests in this proceeding.

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Yours sincerely,



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