

IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*

and

**An Application by Yukon Electrical Company Limited
for Approval of Revenue Requirements for 2016 and 2017**

BEFORE: R. Laking, Chair) April 27, 2017
B. King, Vice-Chair)
A. Fortin)
M. Hannam)
P. Fitzgerald)

BOARD ORDER 2017-01

WHEREAS:

- A. On May 11, 2016, Yukon Electrical Company Limited, carrying on business as ATCO Electric Yukon (AEY), filed an application with the Yukon Utilities Board (Board), pursuant to the *Public Utilities Act* (Act), and Order-In-Council 1995/90, requesting an order approving a forecast revenue requirement for 2016 and 2017 (Application). In addition, in the Application, AEY sought approval of:
- an interim refundable rate rider of 11.62 percent, effective July 1, 2016;
 - the continued use of currently approved deferral accounts, including purchase power flow-through, fuel price flow-through, and defined benefit pension costs during the test period; and
 - new deferral accounts related to liquefied natural gas fuel price changes, statutory tax rate change, feasibility studies and costs arising from Board Orders or legislative provisions not currently contemplated;
- B. The Application proposes a revenue requirement of \$53,890,000 for 2016 and \$56,173,000 for 2017;
- C. The Board issued Board Order 2016-01 on May 27, 2016, in which the Board set out a process schedule, pending ministerial approval, which was obtained on June 17, 2016;
- D. In Board Order 2016-02 and the 2016-02 Errata, the Board approved an interim rate adjust rider, Rider R, in the amount of 11.62 percent for all electrical consumption on or after July 1, 2016. The interim rate adjustments are approved on a refundable basis;

- E. The Board granted intervener status to Yukon Energy Corporation, Utilities Consumers' Group, City of Whitehorse, Yukon Conservation Society, and John Maissan in Board Order 2016-03;
- F. In accordance with the process schedule, information requests (IRs) were submitted to AEY by the Board and interveners;
- G. YECL filed IR responses on August 9, 2016;
- H. On August 12, 2016, UCG submitted a motion requesting that the Board issue an order requiring YECL to provide adequate responses to certain information requests (IRs) submitted by the UCG;
- I. The Board set up a process pertaining to that motion and provide a ruling on the motion through Board Order 2016-04, issued on September 2, 2016. In this Order, the Board also amended the process schedule to provide UCG additional time to file its evidence;
- J. On November 1, 2016, the Board held an oral public hearing in Whitehorse, Yukon. The hearing concluded on November 3, 2016; and
- K. The Board considered the extensive evidence and the written argument and reply argument of the parties respecting the Application.

NOW THEREFORE, based on the reasons set out in Appendix A attached to this Order, the Board orders as follows:

1. The Board directs YECL to provide a compliance filing to the Board within 30 days of the issuance of this Order in accordance with the directions set out in the reasons found in Appendix A; and
2. The Board approves the 2016 and 2017 revenue requirement for AEY with the changes directed in the reasons set out in Appendix A.

DATED at Whitehorse, Yukon, this 27th day of April 2017.

BY ORDER



Robert Laking
Chair