

YUKON UTILITIES BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*

and

General Rate Application by Yukon Energy Corporation for Approval of Revenue Requirements for 2021 Interim Rate Request

BEFORE: R. Buchan, Chair) April 30, 2021
B. King, Vice-Chair)
A. Fortin)
A. Middler)

BOARD ORDER 2021-09

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 20, 2020, Yukon Energy Corporation (YEC) filed an application with the Yukon Utilities Board (Board), pursuant to the *Public Utilities Act*, and Order-in-Council 1995/90 requesting an order approving a forecast revenue requirement for 2021 (Application). In addition, in the Application, YEC is seeking approval of an interim refundable rate rider (Rider J) for 2021 of 10.08% for retail and industrial firm rates, effective July 1, 2021;
- B. On March 23, 2021, YEC filed a limited scope application with the Board regarding amendments to Rate Schedule 39. The proposed amendments included changes to the fixed charges to Alexco mine and mill and for Victoria Gold Corporation (VGC). YEC also proposed to amend the wording to Rate Schedule 39 regarding to enable it to adjust the interim fixed charges between Alexco and VGC.
- C. The Board issued Board Order 2021-07 on April 16, 2021, in which the Board set out a process schedule for Rate Schedule 39 interim rates and ruled that final determinations regarding Rate Schedule 39 and the Low Water Reserve Fund (LWRF) Term Sheet and the LWRF annual reports will be considered as part of YEC's 2021 GRA currently before this Board;
- D. According to the process schedule from Board Order 2021-07, UCG provided comments to the Board on April 26, 2021, and YEC responded to those comments on April 29, 2021. UCG did not oppose the interim rates for Rate Schedule 39.

NOW THEREFORE the Board orders as follows:


1. The Board approves YEC's request for interim fixed charges, effective April 1, 2021, of \$31,656.40/month allocated between VGC Group and Alexco based on forecast sales for 2021. Final determinations regarding Rate Schedule 39 and the LWRF Term Sheet and the LWRF annual reports will be considered as part of YEC's 2021 GRA currently before this Board.
2. The Board approves the inclusion of the following paragraph which provides YEC with the ability to adjust interim fixed charges between Alexco and VGC Group:

"Within 60 days of calendar year end, YEC will adjust Fixed Charges for Alexco and VGC Group based on each mine's actual share of the Major Industrial Customer MWh load on the Mayo to McQuesten segment of YEC's Mayo to Keno City transmission facilities."

The approved interim Rate Schedule 39 is attached as Appendix A to this Order.

DATED at the City of Whitehorse, Yukon, this 30th day of April, 2021.

BY ORDER



Richard Buchan
Chair