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VIA E-MAIL

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**BCTC-VITR & Sea Breeze-VIC
Exhibit A-39**

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Dear Messrs. Reghelini and Chernak:

Re: British Columbia Transmission Corporation ("BCTC")
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") Application
Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project ("VITR")
Sea Breeze Victoria Converter Corporation ("Sea Breeze")
CPCN Application for Vancouver Island Cable Project ("VIC")
Projects No. 3698395 and 3698405, Orders No. G-70-05 and G-97-05
Notice of Town Hall Meetings

Further to the Commission's October 27, 2005 letter and the Regulatory Agenda for the VITR-VIC proceeding (Exhibit A-28), the Commission directs BCTC to publish the enclosed Notice of Town Hall Meetings as soon as possible in the Vancouver Sun and Province, the Victoria Times Colonist and such local papers as may properly provide adequate notice to the public in the service area that would be affected by the VITR. The Commission also directs Sea Breeze to publish the enclosed Notice of Town Hall Meetings as soon as possible in such other local papers as may properly provide adequate notice to the public in the service area that would be affected by the VIC, including Surrey/White Rock and the Saanich area .

The Oral Public Hearing will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 23, 2006 in the Commission Hearing Room on the Second Floor at 855 Homer Street in Vancouver.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

Robert J. Pellatt

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Enclosure
cc: Intervenor VITR-VIC



**British Columbia Transmission Corporation ("BCTC")
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN")
Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project ("VITR")**

**Sea Breeze Victoria Converter Corporation ("Sea Breeze")
Application for a CPCN for Vancouver Island Cable Project ("VIC")**

NOTICE OF TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Saturday, January 7, 2006 Commencing at 11:00 a.m. Salt Spring Island Artspring Exhibit And Meeting Area 100 Jackson Avenue Ganges, B.C.	Tuesday, January 10, 2006 Commencing at 5:00 p.m. Delta/Tsawwassen Coast Tsawwassen Inn 1665 56 th Street Tsawwassen, B.C.
Saturday, January 14, 2006 Commencing at 11:00 a.m. Vancouver Island Cowichan Valley Inn 6474 Trans Canada Highway Duncan, B.C.	Thursday, January 19, 2006 Commencing at 5:00 p.m. Surrey/White Rock Aston Pacific Inn 1160 King George Highway Surrey, B.C.

THE APPLICATIONS

By Application dated July 7, 2005, BCTC requests a CPCN to construct and operate the VITR to reinforce the electric transmission system serving Vancouver Island and the Southern Gulf Islands. BCTC proposes to replace an existing 138 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line between South Delta and North Cowichan with a new 230 kV line that will be entirely within the existing 138 kV right-of-way. The VITR is estimated to cost \$245 million and is scheduled to be in service by October 2008.

By Application dated September 30, 2005, Sea Breeze requests a CPCN for the VIC. Sea Breeze proposes to construct a High Voltage Direct Current Light® transmission system between the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island that it estimates will cost \$302 million and is scheduled to be in service by March 2008. Sea Breeze proposes the VIC as an alternative to the VITR to reinforce the transmission system serving Vancouver Island.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS

The Commission Panel has consolidated the review of the BCTC VITR Application and the Sea Breeze VIC Application, and had established the Regulatory Timetable for the consolidated proceeding. The Oral Public Hearing will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 23, 2006 in the Commission Hearing Room on the Second Floor at 855 Homer Street in Vancouver.

The Commission also plans to hold Town Hall Meetings to provide participants with an opportunity to make presentations to the Commission Panel on the VITR and VIC Applications. Each presentation at a Town Hall Meeting will be limited to 10 minutes, and the presentations will be recorded.

SCHEDULING PRESENTATIONS AT TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Parties wishing to make a presentation to the Commission Panel at a Town Hall Meeting should contact Mr. Gordon Fulton, Commission Counsel by email at gfulton@boughton.ca or by telephone at (604) 687-6789 by December 15, 2005. To assist parties who wish to use Power Point for their presentations, the Hearing Officer will provide a screen, projector and a cable to connect to the standard monitor port of the presenter's computer. A party wishing to make a Power Point presentation should bring a computer with the Power Point presentation, and must provide a hard copy of the presentation. All parties making submissions are encouraged to provide a hard copy of their submissions if convenient. Commission Counsel will provide a letter to participants outlining what they can expect at a Town Hall Meeting. The Commission Panel may cancel a Town Hall Meeting if less than six presentations are scheduled by the notice date of December 15, 2005.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Mr. Robert J. Pellatt, Commission Secretary, or Mr. Brian Williston, Director, Engineering and Commodity Markets, as follows:

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