

BC Hydro Phase 2 - TOR feedback

- The Phase 2 BC Hydro review represents a unique opportunity to explore and provide a roadmap for the transformational changes that need to occur at BC Hydro.
- BC Hydro should not be responsible for conducting the review themselves. It is essential that the review be conducted by a group of experts who have no vested interests in either the status quo being maintained, nor a specific direction being pursued.
 - There are numerous qualified experts who have experience with British Columbia energy policy and BC Hydro specifically who could be involved.
 - In addition, it would be important to include some voices from outside the province to bring a perspective on the role of utilities in the 21st century from jurisdictions such as Quebec, Norway and the United States.
- A Terms of Reference should be developed around a single, critical question:

Whereas climate change is an existential threat facing our province, with both adaptation and mitigation being the driving factors in setting energy policy for the foreseeable future;

Whereas CleanBC lays out a significant reliance on electrification to power our future economy, requiring BC Hydro to embrace new technology, create new generation and play a critical role in matching consumer demand with supply;

Whereas BC Hydro has valuable hydro electric heritage assets that provide stable power for the province;

Therefore the BC Hydro Phase 2 should answer the question - How would BC Hydro have to operate in order to accomplish the scale of electrification required in CleanBC to meet British Columbia's 2030 and 2050 legislated GHG emissions reductions targets?