



IN THE MATTER OF  
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application by Sun Rivers Development Corporation  
for Approval of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity  
for an Electric Utility Franchise

**BEFORE:** P. Ostergaard, Chair )  
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair )  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner ) March 23, 1999  
F.C. Leighton, Commissioner )

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On March 10, 1999, Sun Rivers Development Corp. applied to the Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for Sun Rivers Services Corp. to construct and operate an electric distribution utility on the Kamloops Indian Band Land, Lot 152, CLSR Plan 78619 Kamloops I.R. No. 1; and
- B. Sun Rivers Development Corp. has provided the Commission with the Master Development and Servicing Agreement (including schedules and attachments), has provided additional rationale and explanations for the advantages of having Sun Rivers Services Corp. construct and operate the electrical distribution utility, and has provided a legal description for the area to be serviced by Sun Rivers Services Corp; and
- C. Sun Rivers Development Corp. has entered into a contract with the Kamloops Indian Band (owners of the land) to supply utility services; and
- D. Sun Rivers Services Corp. will be installing heat pumps for the benefit of its customers; and
- E. Sun Rivers Services Corp. has agreed that it will serve its customers under the same terms and conditions and at the same approved rate schedules as would apply to similar British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority ("B.C. Hydro") customers; and
- F. B.C. Hydro has agreed to supply Sun Rivers Services Corp. under Rate Schedule 1211 – General Service (35 kW and over) if Sun Rivers Services Corp. receives a CPCN; and
- G. The Commission has reviewed the application and the supporting documentation received to date and it appears that the construction and operation of an Electrical Distribution Utility by Sun Rivers Services Corp. is necessary and properly conserves the public interest, subject to Sun Rivers Services Corp. providing certain further information in a form satisfactory to the Commission.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders, pursuant to Section 45 of the Utilities Commission Act, as follows:

1. That a CPCN is granted to Sun Rivers Services Corp. for the construction and operation of an Electrical Distribution Utility on Lot 152, CLSR Plan 78619 Kamloops I.R. No. 1, a description of which is attached to this Order as Appendix A, provided Sun Rivers Services Corp. files the following information with the Commission on or before April 9, 1999:
  - Certificate of Incorporation for Sun Rivers Services Corp.
  - Legal Address of Sun Rivers Services Corp.
  - List of Officers of Sun Rivers Services Corp.
  - Address of Sun Rivers Services Corp.'s legal counsel.
  - Evidence of the financial and technical capacity of Sun Rivers Services Corp. and/or others involved.
  - A project description of the various phases anticipated by the development including the approximate size, timing and cost of the electrical infrastructure.
  - A list of approvals, permits or licences required under federal, provincial or municipal law.
2. Sun Rivers Services Corp. will construct, operate and maintain the electrical facilities to the standards of B.C. Hydro or other standards approved by the Commission.
3. Before Sun Rivers Services Corp. energizes the system, Sun Rivers Services Corp. shall furnish the Commission with the approval of the Provincial Electrical Inspector and a letter of assurance from a qualified Professional Engineer as to the standards of final construction.
4. The form of regulation for the Utility will be determined by subsequent Commission Order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1999.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

Lorna R. Barr  
Deputy Chair

Attachment

