

**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-57-18**

IN THE MATTER OF  
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Fortis BC Alternative Energy Services Inc.  
Stream A Registration for the Chard Ellsworth Thermal Energy System

**BEFORE:**

H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner/Panel Chair  
B. A. Magnan, Commissioner  
R. D. Revel, Commissioner

On March 14, 2018

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On February 22, 2018, Fortis BC Alternative Energy Services Inc. (FAES), filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) an application to register the Chard Ellsworth Stream A Thermal Energy System (Chard Ellsworth TES), in accordance with the Thermal Energy Systems (TES) Regulatory Framework Guidelines (TES Guidelines);
- B. On August 28, 2014, the Commission issued Order G-127-14 approving the TES Guidelines;
- C. Under section 2.1 of the TES Guidelines, a Stream A TES is defined as: An On-Site TES with an Initial Capital Cost above \$500,000 but less than \$15,000,000 is exempt from sections 44.1, 45 and 59-61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA). TES Providers are required to register Stream A TES prior to building or otherwise acquiring the Stream A TES; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the application and is satisfied that the Chard Ellsworth TES meets the characteristics of a Stream A TES and is suitable for exemption from sections 44.1, 45 and 59-61 of the UCA.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 88(3) of the UCA and by the advance approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council (OIC 400), the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. In accordance with the TES Guidelines the Chard Ellsworth TES is exempt from sections 44.1, 45 and 59-61 of the UCA.
- 2. FAES must file with the Commission, an annual report for the Chard Ellsworth TES in accordance with Stream A annual reporting guidelines as provided in Appendix B of the TES Guidelines.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

H. G. Harowitz  
Commissioner/Panel Chair