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ORDER NUMBER G-17-19

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

and

FortisBC Alternative Energy Services Inc. Stream A Registration of the Imperial Thermal Energy System

BEFORE:

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

on January 24, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 17, 2019, FortisBC Alternative Energy Services Inc. filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) an application to register the Imperial Stream A Thermal Energy System (Imperial TES), in accordance with the BCUC Thermal Energy Systems Regulatory Framework Guidelines (TES Guidelines);
- B. On August 28, 2014, the BCUC issued Order G-127-14 approving the TES Guidelines and on March 2, 2015, revisions to the TES Guidelines were approved by Order G-27-15;
- 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 to 46 and 59 to 61 of the UCA [Utilities Commission Act]. TES Providers are required to register Stream A TES prior to building or otherwise acquiring the Stream A TES"; and
- D. The BCUC has reviewed the application and is satisfied that the Imperial TES meets the characteristics of a Stream A TES and is suitable for exemption from sections 44.1, 45 to 46 and 59 to 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 (Order in Council 400), the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. In accordance with the TES Guidelines, the Imperial TES is exempt from sections 44.1, 45 to 46 and 59 to 61 of the UCA.
- 2. FortisBC Alternative Energy Services Inc. must file with the BCUC, an annual report for the Imperial 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 24th day of January 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

H. G. Harowitz Commissioner