



**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-277-19**

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

and

Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.  
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Acquire  
and Operate a Thermal Energy System for Cooling at the Vancouver House Development

**BEFORE:**

T. A. Loski, Panel Chair  
B. Lockhart, Commissioner  
R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on November 8, 2019

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On August 28, 2019, Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. (Creative Energy) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) to acquire and operate a district thermal energy system to provide cooling to the Vancouver House Development in the South Downtown area of Vancouver (Application). The Vancouver House Development comprises four buildings located on three parcels of land:
- Buildings 1 and 2 at 1480 Howe Street;
  - Building 3 at 1461 Granville Street; and
  - Building 4 at 1462 Granville Street.
- B. On August 28, 2014, the BCUC issued Order G-127-14 approving the Thermal Energy Systems (TES) Regulatory Framework Guidelines (TES Guidelines) and revisions to the TES Guidelines were approved by Order G-27-15. 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 UCA. TES Providers are required to register Stream A TES prior to building or otherwise acquiring the Stream A TES.
- C. On November 7, 2018, Creative Energy filed with the BCUC an application to register the 1480 Howe Street Cooling Stream A Thermal Energy System in accordance with the TES Guidelines. By Order G-251-18, Creative Energy's application was denied;

- D. On September 12, 2019, by Order G-222-19, the BCUC established a written hearing process and a regulatory timetable to review the Application. The regulatory timetable included intervenor registration and one round of information requests;
- E. FortisBC Alternative Energy Services Inc. and Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia registered as intervenors;
- F. Creative Energy submitted responses to BCUC and intervenor information requests on October 24, 2019 and November 7, 2019, respectively; and
- G. The BCUC has reviewed Creative Energy's responses to the information requests and considers that amending the regulatory timetable is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders that the regulatory timetable established by Order G-222-19 is amended and attached as Appendix A to this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this        8th        day of November 2019.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

T. A. Loski  
Commissioner

Attachment

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**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

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Action	Date (2019)
BCUC and Intervener Information Request (IR) No. 2	Tuesday, November 26
Creative Energy response to BCUC and Intervener IR No. 2	Tuesday, December 10
Creative Energy and Intervener submissions on further process	Friday, December 13