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ORDER NUMBER G-252-20

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

and

Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.

Application for Heating Rates for the Heating Thermal Energy System and Cooling Rates for the District Cooling

System at the Vancouver House Development

BEFORE:

T.A. Loski, Panel Chair E.B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on October 7, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On October 2, 2019, Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. (Creative Energy) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for the approval of rates, terms and conditions of service and a Revenue Deficiency Deferral Account (RDDA) effective November 1, 2019, for its provision of thermal energy heating service at the Vancouver House Development (Development) in the South Downtown area of Vancouver (Heating Application);
- B. By Order G-260-19 dated October 28, 2019, the BCUC, among other things, approved Creative Energy's rates for the provision of heating service at the Development on an interim and refundable basis, effective November 1, 2019;
- C. On August 11, 2020, Creative Energy applied to the BCUC seeking, among other things, interim and permanent approval for rates, terms and conditions for service as set out in the Customer Service Agreement, an RDDA and a Regulatory Cost Variance Deferral Account, for its provision of cooling service at the Development in the South Downtown area of Vancouver (Cooling Application);
- D. By Order G-225-20 dated August 31, 2020, the BCUC, among other things, approved Creative Energy's rates for the provision of cooling service at the Development on an interim and refundable basis, effective on the date Creative Energy begins providing cooling service as per the terms of the Construction and Purchase Agreement (Date of Completion);
- E. By Order G-233-20 dated September 14, 2020, the BCUC determined that the Heating Application and Cooling Application (collectively Applications) are to be heard at the same time and established a preliminary regulatory timetable to review the Applications;

- F. The Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia registered as an intervener in the proceeding;
- G. By letter dated September 30, 2020 and in compliance with directive 5 of Order G-225-20, Creative Energy advised the transaction to acquire the District Cooling System (DCS) from the owner of the Development (Transaction) is not completed due to a number of deficiencies in the DCS that were identified, and expects to complete the Transaction by October 31, 2020; and
- H. The BCUC has commenced its review of the Applications and considers that the regulatory timetable be amended to provide an opportunity for Panel information requests.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The regulatory timetable established by Order G-233-20 is amended, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. Creative Energy is directed to notify the BCUC upon completion of the Transaction. If the Transaction is not completed by October 31, 2020, Creative Energy is directed to provide the BCUC an update as to the date expected Date of Completion.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this	7 th	day of October 2020.
BY ORDER		
Original signed by:		

T. A. Loski Commissioner

Attachments

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)	
Creative Energy responses to Panel Information Request (IR) No. 1	Wednesday, October 21	
BCUC IR No. 2 to Creative Energy	Tuesday, November 17	
Intervener IR No. 2 to Creative Energy	Tuesday, November 24	
Creative Energy responses to BCUC and Intervener IR No. 2	Tuesday, December 15	
Further process	To be determined	