



ORDER NUMBER
G-307-24

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

and

Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC
Amendment to the Gas Cost Recovery Charge
for Propane Service at Panorama Mountain Village

BEFORE:

E. A. Brown, Commissioner
B. A. Magnan, Commissioner
W. E. Royle, Commissioner

on November 21, 2024

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On October 25, 2024, Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC (BMUS) filed an application (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) seeking approval to increase the Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) Charge for Panorama Mountain Village (PMV), effective December 1, 2024;
- B. By Order G-303-22 dated October 27, 2022, the BCUC approved a GCR Charge of \$11.692 per Gigajoule (GJ) for PMV, effective December 1, 2022;
- C. In the Application, BMUS proposes to increase the GCR Charge by \$1.641/GJ to a rate of \$13.333/GJ;
- D. BMUS estimates that the proposed increase of the GCR Charge in the Application would increase the total annual bill for a typical residential customer with an average annual consumption of 40 GJ by approximately 7.5 percent; and
- E. The BCUC reviewed the Application and considers that approval of the Application is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 61(4) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The requested increase to the GCR Charge from \$11.962/GJ to \$13.333/GJ is approved, effective December 1, 2024.
- 2. BMUS is directed to notify all customers that are affected by the rate change with a bill insert or bill message to be included with the next monthly billing.
- 3. The BCUC will keep (i) Section 2 and (ii) Attachment I: GCR Charge Breakdown of the Application confidential unless the BCUC determines otherwise, as they contain commercially sensitive information.

4. BMUS is directed to file revised tariff pages for acceptance by the BCUC within 30 days from the date of this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 21st day of November 2024.

BY ORDER

Electronically signed by Bernard Magnan

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner