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# ORDER NUMBER G-221-25

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

and

Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC Nexus Cost Allocation Methodology

#### **BEFORE:**

W. E. Royle, Commissioner

on September 10, 2025

#### **ORDER**

## **WHEREAS:**

- A. On June 30, 2025, Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC (Bluestem) filed its proposed cost allocation methodology with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) further to Order G-279-23 (Application);
- B. Bluestem owns and operates several energy utility systems in British Columbia, including Sun Rivers Gas, Sun Rivers Electric, Sonoma Pines Gas, Sonoma Pines Electric, and Panorama Propane;
- C. By Decision and Order G-279-23 regarding the Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. (CMUS) Application for Approvals relating to Restructuring and Business Combination Transactions, the BCUC directed, among other things, that CMUS (now Bluestem) file any proposed changes to the cost allocation methodology, approved by Order G-349-20, with the BCUC for approval prior to implementation; and
- D. The BCUC finds that the establishment of a public hearing to review the Application is warranted.

### NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. A public hearing process is established for the review of the Application, as set out in the regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to this order.
- 2. On or before Wednesday, October 1, 2025, Bluestem is directed to:
  - a. Provide notice of the Application and this order, or post the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order, on the following websites:
    - https://bluestemutilities.com/sun-rivers/;
    - ii. <a href="https://bluestemutilities.com/sonoma-pines/">https://bluestemutilities.com/sonoma-pines/</a>; and

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- iii. <a href="https://bluestemutilities.com/panorama-mountain/">https://bluestemutilities.com/panorama-mountain/</a>; and
- b. Provide a copy of this order and the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order, electronically where possible, to all customers of Sun Rivers Gas, Sun Rivers Electric, Sonoma Pines Gas, Sonoma Pines Electric, and Panorama Propane.
- 3. Bluestem is directed to provide to the BCUC, by Monday, October 6, 2025, confirmation of compliance with Directive 2 of this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

BY ORDER

Electronically signed by Wendy Royle

W. E. Royle Commissioner

Attachment

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# **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2025)
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to Bluestem	Monday, September 22
Bluestem to provide public notice	Wednesday, October 1
Bluestem confirmation of compliance with public notice requirements	Monday, October 6
Bluestem responses to BCUC IR No. 1	Wednesday, October 8
Letters of comment deadline	Thursday, October 23
Bluestem final argument and reply, if any, to the letters of comment	Friday, October 31



# We want to hear from you

# BLUESTEM MULTI-UTILITY SERVICES ULC NEXUS COST ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY

On June 30, 2025, Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC (Bluestem), a subsidiary of Nexus Water Group Inc., filed its proposed cost allocation methodology with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval.

Bluestem owns and operates several energy utility systems in British Columbia, including Sun Rivers Gas, Sun Rivers Electric, Sonoma Pines Gas, Sonoma Pines Electric, and Panorama Propane. The application describes the methodologies used to directly charge or allocate costs from Nexus Water Group, Inc. to its operating subsidiaries, including Bluestem.

To participate in the proceeding, visit www.bcuc.com/get-involved.

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- Submit a letter of comment
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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

 Thursday, October 23, 2025 – Deadline to submit a letter of comment to share your views, opinions, and insights on the application

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