



**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-62-26**

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

and

Oakridge Energy Limited Partnership  
2026 Heating Energy Charge and the Cooling Energy Charge

**BEFORE:**

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

on March 20, 2026

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On February 27, 2026, pursuant to section 61(4) of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), Oakridge Energy Limited Partnership (Oakridge Energy) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) its Energy Cost Reconciliation Account (ECRA) 2025 Annual Report (Filing). The Filing includes a request for approval to amend the Heating Energy Charge and the Cooling Energy Charge (Energy Charges) in accordance with the rate-setting mechanism approved by Order G-342-24;
- B. By Order G-342-24 dated December 17, 2024, the BCUC approved Oakridge Energy to implement a rate-setting mechanism to flowthrough actual energy costs, one component of which established a non-rate base ECRA for each of the heating and cooling services. The ECRA's record the difference between the actual energy costs and the revenues collected through the Energy Charges. The BCUC approved amortization of ECRA balances over 12 months;
- C. The approved rate-setting mechanism utilizes an ECRA ratio and established ECRA ratio thresholds of 0.95 and 1.05 (Trigger Ratios). The ECRA ratio is the ratio of the 12-month forecast Energy Charge revenue to the sum of the 12-month forecast energy costs, plus the ECRA balance at the beginning of the 12-month forecast period. A rate change is warranted if the ECRA ratio falls outside the range established by the Trigger Ratios;
- D. The current Heating Energy Charge of \$0.0456 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) was approved by Order G-79-25, effective April 1, 2025;

- E. Oakridge Energy forecasts a Heating ECRA deficit of \$89,234 at March 31, 2026. Based on forecast energy costs and the Heating Energy Charge revenue at the current rate, Oakridge Energy forecasts a Heating ECRA deficit of \$106,735 at March 31, 2027;
- F. Based on the current Heating Energy Charge, Oakridge Energy calculates the Heating ECRA ratio to be 0.85 for the 12-month period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027, and the tested rate required to produce a 1.00 ECRA ratio is calculated to be \$0.0536 per kWh. Therefore, as the ECRA ratio falls outside the range established by the Trigger Ratios in Order G-342-24, Oakridge Energy proposes a change to the Heating Energy Charge effective April 1, 2026;
- G. The current Cooling Energy Charge of \$0.0591 per kWh was approved by Order G-79-25, effective April 1, 2025;
- H. Oakridge Energy forecasts a Cooling ECRA deficit of \$50,087 at March 31, 2026. Based on forecast energy costs and the Cooling Energy Charge revenue at the current rate, Oakridge Energy forecasts a Cooling ECRA deficit of \$81,807 at March 31, 2027;
- I. Based on the current Cooling Energy Charge, Oakridge Energy calculates the Cooling ECRA ratio to be 0.82 for the 12-month period April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027, and the tested rate required to produce a 1.00 ECRA ratio is calculated to be \$0.0718 per kWh. Therefore, as the ECRA ratio falls outside the range established by the Trigger Ratios in Order G-342-24, Oakridge Energy proposes a change to the Cooling Energy Charge effective April 1, 2026;
- J. The BCUC has reviewed the Filing and considers the following determinations are warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. Oakridge Energy is approved:
  - a. To increase the Heating Energy Charge from \$0.0456 per kWh to \$0.0536 per kWh effective April 1, 2026; and
  - b. To increase the Cooling Energy Charge from \$0.0591 per kWh to \$0.0718 per kWh effective April 1, 2026.
2. The revised tariff page filed on February 27, 2026 is accepted as filed.
3. Oakridge Energy is directed to notify customers of the approvals in Directive 1 of this order with a bill insert or bill message to be included with the next monthly billing.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

BY ORDER

*Electronically signed by Elizabeth A. (Lisa) Brown*

E. A. Brown  
Commissioner