



ORDER NUMBER
G-138-19A1

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

and

Recovery of British Columbia Utilities Commission Costs
for the 2019/20 Fiscal Year

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Commissioner
K. A. Keilty, Commissioner

on June 20, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. Section 125 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) enables the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to recover its expenses, arising from the administration of the UCA, in each fiscal year commencing April 1 and to fix and collect levies from public utilities and other persons so defined. BC Regulation 283/88 dated July 29, 1988, authorizes the BCUC to collect and retain all levies collected under the BC Regulation 283/88 and to base the amount of a levy on the value and the volume of the energy transmitted or distributed or the service furnished;
- B. The current year's levy for recovering BCUC expenses is based on its 2019/20 approved budget of \$14,169,300 less the BCUC's over-recovery of \$2,348,366 from 2018/19. The resulting net figure of \$11,820,934 is apportioned to regulated and public utilities based on BC Regulation 283/88; and
- C. The BCUC will recover its expenses from the levy calculation on a quarterly basis and may adjust the fourth quarter billing to account for additional revenues received during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 125 of the UCA and BC Regulation 283/88, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. A levy, at the rate of \$0.0242322309 per GJ equivalent of energy sold for the calendar year 2018 shall be paid by, and collected from, the public utilities, as set out in Appendix A attached to this order, for the recovery of BCUC expenses in the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2019.
- 2. The public utilities set out in Appendix A attached to this order are required to pay the levy fixed for the 2019/20 fiscal year, to be billed in installments, as set out in Appendix A attached to this order.
- 3. The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia shall pay the BCUC's 2019/20 fiscal year allocated budgeted expenses of \$700,000 in quarterly installments.

4. Pursuant to BC Regulation 283/88 and Letter L-39-96, the following upstream natural gas processors and intra-provincial oil pipelines shall pay the following amounts for the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2019:

Canadian Natural Resources Limited	\$1,000
Canadian Natural Resources Limited – Inga Oil Pipeline	\$1,000
Canadian Natural Resources Limited – Midwinter, Peggo, Tooga	\$3,000
Trans Mountain (Jet Fuel) Inc.	\$1,000
Plateau Pipeline Limited	\$5,000
Spectra Energy Midstream Corporation	\$6,000

5. The cost recovery revenue for the residential and commercial unbundling program for the 2019/20 fiscal year is \$1,000 per natural gas marketer.
6. The BCUC's cost recovery for the 2019/20 fiscal year will be reviewed in the last quarter to ensure the apportioned costs to all regulated entities are appropriate and may make necessary adjustments at that time.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *20th* day of August 2019.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D. M. Morton
Commissioner

Attachment

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION - 2019/20 LEVY CALCULATION

A	B	C	D	E	F	I	J	K	L
Utility	Regulated Sales \$	Regulated Volume	Unit	Converted To GJ	2019/20 Annual Assessment \$	Billing Q1	Billing Q2	Billing Q3	Billing Q4 ²
Electric									
B.C. Hydro & Power Authority ²	4,884,613,523	50,772.19	GWh	182,779,893	4,429,164.57	1,107,291.14	1,107,291.14	1,107,291.14	1,107,291.15
Nelson Hydro	7,480,394	66.28	GWh	238,598	5,781.76	1,445.44	1,445.44	1,445.44	1,445.44
FortisBC Inc. ²	312,622,514	2,678.25	GWh	9,641,693	233,639.73	58,409.93	58,409.93	58,409.93	58,409.94
Hemlock Utility Services Ltd.	352,368	2.50	GWh	9,005	218.21	54.55	54.55	54.55	54.56
Kyuquot Power Ltd.	411,212	1.64	GWh	5,890	142.73	35.68	35.68	35.68	35.69
SilverSmith Power & Light Corporation	107,898	0.95	GWh	3,421	82.90	20.73	20.73	20.73	20.71
CORIX Sun Rivers & Sonoma Pines (Electric)	2,140,695	18.44	GWh	66,385	1,608.66	402.17	402.17	402.17	402.15
Yukon Electrical Co. Ltd. (Lower Post)	136,145	0.87	GWh	3,137	76.02	19.01	19.01	19.01	18.99
Gas									
FortisBC Energy Inc.									
Lower Mainland, Vancouver Island, Whistler, Revelstoke	1,198,639,513	210,816	TJ	210,816,369	5,108,550.93	1,277,137.73	1,277,137.73	1,277,137.73	1,277,137.74
Fort Nelson Division	3,245,360	543	TJ	543,257	13,164.33	3,291.08	3,291.08	3,291.08	3,291.09
Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd.									
Dawson Creek and Fort St. John	21,663,969	4,933,538	GJ	4,933,538	119,550.63	29,887.66	29,887.66	29,887.66	29,887.65
Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd.									
Tumbler Ridge	1,858,849	422,104	GJ	422,104	10,228.52	2,557.13	2,557.13	2,557.13	2,557.13
Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (includes Granisle Grid)	40,830,570	4,557,986	GJ	4,557,986	110,450.17	27,612.54	27,612.54	27,612.54	27,612.55
CORIX Multi-Utility Services									
Sun Rivers (gas), Panorama & Sonoma Pines	1,223,858	81,834	GJ	81,834	1,983.02	495.76	495.76	495.76	495.74
Cal Gas - Kicking Horse & Canyon Ridge	312,815	22,469	GJ	22,469	544.47	136.12	136.12	136.12	136.11
Big White Gas Utility	1,311,590	52,775	GJ	52,775	1,278.86	319.72	319.72	319.72	319.70
Sun Peaks Utilities	2,051,797	99,872	GJ	99,872	2,420.12	605.03	605.03	605.03	605.03
Superior Propane (Seascapes)	142,971	6,001	GJ	6,001	145.42	36.36	36.36	36.36	36.34
Stargas Utilities Ltd.	194,798	47,527	GJ	47,527	1,151.69	287.92	287.92	287.92	287.93
Thermal									
Stream A Thermal Energy Utilities									
FortisBC Alternative Energy Services									
Flatiron	132,253	2,866	GJ	2,866	69.45	17.36	17.36	17.36	17.37
Pomaria	93,385	4,732	GJ	4,732	114.67	28.67	28.67	28.67	28.66
The Hudson	60,513	5,515	GJ	5,515	133.64	33.41	33.41	33.41	33.41
Alysen Place	115,762	8,428	GJ	8,428	204.23	51.06	51.06	51.06	51.05
Waterstone Pier	114,000	5,863	GJ	5,863	142.07	35.52	35.52	35.52	35.51
Seyllynn Phase1	341,009	7,397	GJ	7,397	179.25	44.81	44.81	44.81	44.82
Marine Gateway	1,447,883	36,941	GJ	36,941	895.16	223.79	223.79	223.79	223.79
SOLO Phase 1	829,971	21,429	GJ	21,429	519.27	129.82	129.82	129.82	129.81
Empire at QE Park	229,764	7,001	GJ	7,001	169.65	42.41	42.41	42.41	42.42
Aperture	135,882	4,187	GJ	4,187	101.46	25.37	25.37	25.37	25.35
Seyllynn Phase 2	147,112	4,438	GJ	4,438	107.54	26.89	26.89	26.89	26.87
Modello	345,741	10,382	GJ	10,382	251.58	62.90	62.90	62.90	62.88
SOLO II Altus	646,908	18,850	GJ	18,850	456.78	114.20	114.20	114.20	114.18
Char d Ellsworth	51,693	1,564	GJ	1,564	37.90	9.48	9.48	9.48	9.46
Seyllynn Phase III	124,754	3,845	GJ	3,845	93.17	23.29	23.29	23.29	23.30
Lynn Valley I	0	0	GJ	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Milano	43,531	1,317	GJ	1,317	31.91	7.98	7.98	7.98	7.97
Mahogany	0	0	GJ	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CORIX Multi-Utility Services									
Belmonte Central Energy Plant/Sun Rivers Resort Community	101,781	8,996	GJ	8,996	217.99	54.50	54.50	54.50	54.49
Talasa Central Energy Plant/Sun Rivers Resort Community	153,019	7,232	GJ	7,232	175.25	43.81	43.81	43.81	43.82
Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.									
188 Keefer Street	128,590	945	GJ	945	22.90	5.73	5.73	5.73	5.71
1480 Howe Street	133,247	85	GJ	85	2.06	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.50
2200 Kingsway	36,502	677	GJ	677	16.41	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.11
Connect TES (Richmond) Holdings Inc.									
The Pier and Parc Riviera	365,204	32,292	GJ	32,292	782.51	195.63	195.63	195.63	195.62
BCP Energy Utility Company Ltd.	362,219	6,712	GJ	6,712	162.65	40.66	40.66	40.66	40.67
Stream B Thermal Energy Utilities									
FortisBC Alternative Energy Services									
Delta School District #37	360,695	23,322	GJ	23,322	565.14	141.29	141.29	141.29	141.27
Artemisia	21,906	972	GJ	972	23.55	5.89	5.89	5.89	5.88
Sovereign	738,892	29,429	GJ	29,429	713.13	178.28	178.28	178.28	178.29
Tsawwassen Springs	61,127	3,127	GJ	3,127	75.77	18.94	18.94	18.94	18.95
Glen Valley	62,358	3,200	GJ	3,200	77.54	19.39	19.39	19.39	19.37
Brant	17,764	909	GJ	909	22.03	5.51	5.51	5.51	5.50
Camden Green	31,631	1,523	GJ	1,523	36.91	9.23	9.23	9.23	9.22
Helen Gorman	23,127	915	GJ	915	22.17	5.54	5.54	5.54	5.55
Telus Garden	2,107,986	50,194	GJ	50,194	1,216.31	304.08	304.08	304.08	304.07
CORIX Multi-Utility Services									
UniverCity NUS	128,744	34,585	GJ	34,585	838.07	209.52	209.52	209.52	209.51
UBC Neighbourhood Energy System	909,476	31,097	GJ	31,097	753.55	188.39	188.39	188.39	188.38
Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. (formerly CHDL)									
Vancouver	8,489,908	1,890,075	GJ	1,890,075	45,800.73	11,450.18	11,450.18	11,450.18	11,450.19
Northeast False Creek NES	1,374,848	64,361	GJ	64,361	1,559.61	389.90	389.90	389.90	389.91
Dockside Green Energy	230,913	7,273	GJ	7,273	176.24	44.06	44.06	44.06	44.06
River District Energy	1,156,005	34,608	GJ	34,608	838.63	209.66	209.66	209.66	209.65
Shannon Wall Centre Rental Apartments	453,814	5,958	GJ	5,958	144.38	36.10	36.10	36.10	36.08
Mandatory Auto Insurance									
Insurance Corporation of British Columbia						175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00
TOTAL									
				416,714,996	10,097,934.00	2,524,483.57	2,524,483.57	2,524,483.57	2,524,483.29
2019/20 BCUC Forecasted Expenditures \$13,295,955									
2019/20 BCUC Forecasted IT Strategic Initiatives \$873,345									
2019/20 BCUC Forecasted Direct Recoveries -\$1,000,000									
Plus: 2018/19 Over-Recovery (Credit) -\$2,348,366									
\$10,820,934									
Less Fixed Annual Fees:									
Natural Gas Marketers -6,000									
Intra-Provincial Oil Pipeline Companies & Upstream Gas Processors -17,000									
Insurance Corporation of British Columbia -700,000									
2019/20 Net Forecasted Expenditures to be recovered 10,097,934									
Levy Calculation: 10,097,934									
Units of Energy Sold in Calendar 2018 416,714,996 = \$0.0242322309 /GJ									