



ORDER NUMBER
G-248-20

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

and

CB Powerline Ltd.
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

BEFORE:

T. A. Loski, Panel Chair
C. M. Brewer, Commissioner
W. M. Everett, QC, Commissioner

on October 5, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 11, 2020, CB Powerline Ltd. (CBP) made an application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for the Cosens Bay community electrification project (Project) pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) (Application);
- B. CBP had on June 13, 2019, applied to the BCUC for an exemption from Part 3 of the UCA. On March 31, 2020, by Order G-71-20, that application was denied and CBP was directed to produce a plan to ensure CBP's compliance with the UCA on a prospective basis;
- C. On July 28, 2020, in compliance with Order G-71-20, CBP filed its plan with the BCUC and subsequently submitted this Application for a CPCN for the Project;
- D. In seeking a CPCN for the Project, CBP requests approval to build, own, operate and maintain an electrical distribution system servicing the community of Cosens Bay on Lake Kalamalka, Regional District of North Okanagan. The scope of the Project consists of:
 - 1. Connection to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's 25 kV distribution system at the Primary Source of Connection (PSC) on the west side of Lake Kalamalka;
 - 2. Installation of a revenue meter, backfeed protections and other ancillary facilities at the PSC;
 - 3. Combination of an overhead, submarine and underground power line from the PSC to the community of Cosens Bay on the east side of Lake Kalamalka;
 - 4. Combination of overhead and underground 25 kV power lines, transformers, secondary service cables and other ancillary facilities within the community of Cosens Bay; and
 - 5. Installation of a revenue meter at each customer's off-take point;

- E. The BCUC has commenced a review of the Application and finds that a preliminary regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

1. A public hearing process is established for the review of the Application in accordance with the regulatory timetable, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
2. CBP is to publish the Public Notice, attached as Appendix B to this order, in print/display-ad format by October 21, 2020, in appropriate news publications, such as, but not limited to, local and community newspapers to provide adequate notice to those parties who may have an interest in or be affected by the Application.
3. CBP must provide notice of the Application and this order to all affected parties and potentially affected parties by no later than October 21, 2020. This includes, but is not limited to, registered interveners in the CBP Application for an Exemption from Part 3 of the UCA proceeding, BC Parks, the Okanagan Indian Band, the Okanagan Nation Alliance, the Regional District of North Okanagan, the Greater Vernon Advisory Committee, the Cosens Bay Property Owners Society, potential CBP customers and all other residents of the Cosens Bay community.
4. Pursuant to Part 4 of the BCUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, attached as Appendix A to Order G-15-19, CBP is directed to file a request for confidentiality which details the reasons for each redaction submitted within the Application.
5. Parties who wish to participate in the proceeding may submit a letter of comment, register as an interested party or request intervener status. Parties requesting intervener status must register with the BCUC by completing a [Request to Intervene Form](#) available on the BCUC's website by the date established in the regulatory timetable, attached as Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 5th day of October 2020.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

T. A. Loski
Commissioner

Attachments

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)
Publication of CBP Notice of Application	Wednesday, October 21
Intervener registration	Wednesday, November 4
BCUC information request (IR) No. 1 to CBP	Thursday, November 12
Intervener IR No. 1 to CBP	Thursday, November 19
CBP responses to IR No. 1	Thursday, December 17
Further process	To be determined



We want to hear from you

CB POWERLINE CPCN APPLICATION FOR COSENS BAY ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

On September 11th, 2020, CB Powerline Ltd. (CBP) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for its Cosens Bay Electrification Project. In the Application, CBP is seeking BCUC approval to build, own, operate and maintain an electrical distribution system servicing the community of Cosens Bay on Lake Kalamalka, BC.

The BCUC has established an open and transparent public hearing process to review the Application.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- **Submit a letter of comment**
- **Register as an interested party**
- **Request intervener status**

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Wednesday, November 4, 2020** – Deadline to register as an intervener with the BCUC
- **Thursday, November 19, 2020** – Deadline for intervener information request No. 1 submissions to CBP

For more information on this Application visit the Proceeding Page on www.bcuc.com (<https://www.bcuc.com/ApplicationView.aspx?ApplicationId=802>). To learn more about getting involved, please visit our website (www.bcuc.com/get-involved) or contact us at the information below.

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