



ORDER NUMBER
G-133-22

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

and

Richmond Prima Utility Inc.
Stream A Registration of the 6833 Buswell Street Thermal Energy System

BEFORE:

T. A. Loski, Panel Chair
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner
B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

On May 16, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 11, 2022, Richmond Prima Utility Inc. (RPUI) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) an application to register the 6833 Buswell Street Thermal Energy System (6833 Buswell Street TES) as a Stream A TES (Application), in accordance with the BCUC Thermal Energy Systems Regulatory Framework Guidelines (TES Guidelines);
- B. On August 27, 2014, the BCUC issued Order G-121-14 granting an exemption to a person, or the person's lessee, trustee, receiver or liquidator, who owns or operates in British Columbia a Stream A TES for the production, generation, storage, transmission, sale, delivery or provision of any agent for the production of heat or cold for compensation, with a capital cost less than a maximum threshold and greater than a minimum threshold, from sections 44.1, 45 and 59–61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) for that specific TES. The exemption only applies if:
 - 1. the person files information that allows the BCUC to determine that Order G-121-14 applies to the person's specific TES; and
 - 2. the BCUC determines that Order G-121-14 applies to the person's specific TES;
- C. On August 28, 2014, the BCUC issued Order G-127-14 approving the TES Guidelines and, on March 2, 2015, revisions to the TES Guidelines were approved by Order G-27-15;
- D. On April 27, 2022, the BCUC issued BCUC Staff Questions No. 1 and on April 28, 2022, RPUI filed its responses. In response to BCUC Staff Questions No. 1, RPUI confirmed that it has not yet been issued a British Columbia (BC) Business Registration Number; and

- E. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and responses to BCUC Staff Questions No. 1 and is satisfied that the 6833 Buswell Street TES meets the characteristics of a Stream A TES and is suitable for exemption.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 88(3) of the UCA and by the advance approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council (Order in Council 400/14), the BCUC orders as follows:

1. Subject to directive 2, the 6833 Buswell Street TES is exempt from sections 44.1, 45 and 59–61 of the UCA, in accordance with the TES Guidelines.
2. RPUI must file its BC Business Registration Number with the BCUC prior to commencing service.
3. RPUI must file with the BCUC an annual report for the 6833 Buswell Street TES in accordance with Stream A annual reporting guidelines, as provided in Appendix B of the TES Guidelines.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16th day of May 2022.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

T. A. Loski
Commissioner