

CORIX MULTI-UTILITY SERVICES INC.

**INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1
TO B.C. Hydro & Power Authority (“B.C. Hydro”)**

Corix Exemption from BC Hydro Two-Part LGSR

Question #1:

- Request:**
- 1.1 Does BC Hydro employ conservation rates for its end-use customers?
 - 1.2 In BC Hydro’s view, are the Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. (Corix) operations classed as General Service Customers at Sun Rivers and Sonoma Pines?
 - 1.3 In BC Hydro’s view, are the Corix operations at Sun Rivers and Sonoma utilities regulated by the B.C. Utilities Commission?
 - 1.4 In BC Hydro’s view, does Corix re-sell electricity to end use customers at Sun Rivers and Sonoma Pines?

Question #2: Prospective Number of LGS Exempt Customers

- Request:**
- 2.1 How many customers does BC Hydro have that fit all four (4) of the following criteria?
 - i. Qualify as General Service Customers
 - ii Are utilities regulated by the Commission
 - iii Re-sell electricity
 - iv Employ conservation rates for their end-use customers
 - 2.2 What were the total annual combined energy sales for those entities indentified in 2.1, above, for the most recent 12 month period for which BC Hydro can readily access the data?
 - 2.3 For the same period as 2.2 above, what were the total combined energy sales for all RS1827 customers including sales under related accounts (such as RS3808)?

Question #3: BC Hydro as Purchaser and Re-seller

- Request:**
- 3.1 Does BC Hydro purchase electricity from other utilities regulated by the B.C. Utilities Commission and then re-sell that electricity to its customers?
 - 3.2 If the answer to 3.1 was yes, please provide the location(s) where this occurs and copies of the tariff(s) under which BC Hydro purchases the electricity including any applicable tariff schedules.
 - 3.3 If the answer to 3.1 was yes, please provide the annual energy purchased by BC Hydro from these other utilities for the same time period as was used in 2.2 and 2.3, above.

Question #4: Reconciliation with BC Hydro's Tariff

Reference: BC Hydro's Tariff contains Clause 9.2

"9.2. Resale of Electricity

If a Customer wishes to sell Electricity which the Customer has purchased from BC Hydro to a tenant of that Customer on the same Premises on a metered basis, then the Customer shall agree that the selling price for such Electricity shall not exceed the price which BC Hydro would have charged had that tenant been a Customer of BC Hydro. This requirement shall be included in an agreement for resale between BC Hydro and the Customer."

In BC Hydro's letter of November 4, 2010 letter at page 4, there is the following sentence:

"Corix's appropriate remedy is to apply to the BCUC for new rates for its customers"

- Request:**
- 4.1 Please reconcile the fact that BC Hydro's Tariff at page 34 (Clause 9.2) precludes re-sellers from selling at rates higher than BC Hydro's and its letter of November 4, 2010 where BC Hydro suggested that Corix apply to the BCUC for "new" rates.
 - 4.2 Please confirm that "new" rates to Corix's customers could only reasonably be assumed to be higher rates in this context.

Question #5: Status of RS1827 (and related tariffs)

Reference: In its letter of November 4, 2010, BC Hydro quotes a prior response to Corix IR 2.2.1 that "BC Hydro confirms that it has changed its views since the TSR stepped rate proceedings regarding exemptions from conservation rate structures".

Request:

- 5.1 Has BC Hydro applied to the Commission to alter or amend RS1827, RS3808 or other related TSR tariffs?
- 5.2 If so, please provide the name of the relevant proceeding before the Commission.
- 5.3 If not, please advise if BC Hydro intends to file an application to change this aspect of these tariffs and when it will likely do so?
- 5.4 Has BC Hydro had any consultations with the relevant customers to any proposed changes to these TSR tariffs? If so, please describe the nature of these consultations and when did they occur? Please provide any written materials that were part of that consultation.

Question #6: Flat Rate Tariff

Reference: In its letter of November 4, 2010, BC Hydro objected to the declining block energy rate in the existing LGS rate (at page 6).

Request:

- 6.1 Would BC Hydro characterize its existing LGS demand rate structure as an “inclining” block?
- 6.2 Would BC Hydro consider providing a “flat” rate structure, similar to RS1827 rate structure for a customer that meets the criteria listed in 2.1 above, adjusted for service at a lower voltage?
- 6.3 If BC Hydro objects to a flat rate structure as described in 6.2 above, please clarify whether the objection is only the lack of a stepped rate feature or if BC Hydro has any other objections.

Question #7: Other LGS Exemptions

Request:

- 7.1 Has BC Hydro discussed or offered to provide any other existing or prospective LGS customer with an exemption to the Part 2 Rate Charge? If so, when did these offers or discussions occur? On what basis would BC Hydro grant such an exemption to an LGS customer? Please provide any written documentation provided to any such customer regarding the possibility of an exemption to the stepped rate nature of the tariff.