

**Date Submitted:** January 27, 2020

**Proceeding name:** BCUC Review of Thermal Energy Systems Regulatory Framework Guidelines

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## **Additional information**

**Please state your reasons for intervening in this proceeding:**

BCSEA is a registered charity and a non-profit association of citizens, professionals and practitioners committed to promoting the understanding, development and adoption of sustainable energy, energy efficiency and energy conservation in British Columbia. BCSEA supports the province's transition to a lower-carbon economy. BCSEA has four chapters across B.C. and approximately three hundred individual and organizational members (including businesses,

NGOs, community organizations, local governments). BCSEA represents individuals and organizations in BC who care about energy sustainability and climate change mitigation, and who want the energy they purchase and use to be sustainably produced and transported.

**Please state how you are directly or sufficiently affected by the Commission's decision in this matter; or describe your experience, information, or expertise relevant to this matter that would contribute to the Commission's decision making:**

The Commission's review of the Thermal Energy Services Guidelines affects BCSEA's interests as a public interest policy organization and as a representative of its members interests as ratepayers. BCSEA believes it can make a valuable contribution to the Commission's understanding of the issues in the current proceeding. BCSEA has extensive experience with the Commission's regulatory oversight of Thermal Energy Services, including participation as an intervener in the 2011-2012 Alternative Energy Services inquiry and the 2013-2014 development of TES Guidelines.

**Please list the key issues you intend to address in the proceeding:**

BCSEA intends to address: • whether the TES Guidelines are effective in meeting the established objectives, • whether the scope of the TES Guidelines remains appropriate or should be widened or narrowed, • whether there are unintended consequences of the TES Guidelines, • whether the TES Guidelines could be adjusted to be more efficient, and • other issues to be determined.

## **For administrative purposes only**

**Do you intend to participate fully, including attendance at hearings and submission of evidence or information requests, if applicable?:** Yes

**Do you intend to request PACA funding? This does not impact your ability to participate:** Yes

**Have you or your organization web-registered as an intervener or interested party in the past 12 months?:** Yes

**If yes, please provide your username:** [REDACTED]