



ORDER NUMBER
G-174-26

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

and

Kwasen Village Utility Limited Partnership
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the kʷasən Village District Thermal Energy System

BEFORE:

A. C. Dennier, Panel Chair
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on August 13, 2026

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 16, 2026, Kwasen Village Utility Limited Partnership (KVULP), a wholly-owned subsidiary of FortisBC Alternative Energy Services Inc. (FAES), filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to purchase, own, and operate the thermal energy system (TES) serving Phase 1 of the kʷasən Village development, located on the Willingdon Avenue Lands in Burnaby, BC (KV TES), pursuant to sections 45, 46, and 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Application);
- B. In its Application, KVULP indicates that the KV TES will provide space heating, domestic hot water (DHW), and, where applicable, space cooling to three residential buildings in Phase 1 of the kʷasən Village development through a combination of natural gas-fired boilers and air-source heat pumps;
- C. KVULP filed the Application in accordance with the framework for District TES set out by the BCUC's TES Guidelines approved by Order G-48-25 (TES Guidelines), which requires District TES Providers to apply simultaneously for a CPCN and approval of the rate design and rate setting method for rates to be charged to customers in one application; and
- D. The BCUC has commenced review of the Application and considers that the following determinations are warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. A regulatory timetable for the review of the Application is set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. On or before, Monday, August 24, 2026, KVULP is directed to:

- a. Provide notice of Application, including the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order, on FAES's website and social media platforms; and
 - b. Provide, electronically where possible, a copy of the Application, this order, and the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to all affected or potentially affected parties, including, but not limited to, the Musqueam Indian Band, Tsleil-Waututh Nation, and Squamish Nation, and any known strata lot pre-purchasers and prospective tenants of the kʷasən Village development.
3. KVULP is directed to publish reminder posts on each social media platform every two weeks until the letters of comment deadline set out in the regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to this order.
4. KVULP is directed to request Aquilini Development to post a copy of the Public Notice attached as Appendix B on its website at <https://kwasenvillage.com/>.
5. KVULP is directed to provide to the BCUC:
 - a. By Wednesday, August 26, 2026, written confirmation of compliance with Directives 2 and 4 of this order, except for the social media reminder posts, including a list of the social media platforms on which notice was posted; and
 - b. By Wednesday, November 4, 2026, written confirmation of compliance with the notice requirement in Directive 3 of this order regarding social media reminder posts.
6. In accordance with BCUC's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#), any party wishing to comment on the Application is invited to submit a Letter of Comment by the date established in the regulatory timetable. Letters of comment must be in the Letter of Comment Form available on the BCUC's website at <https://www.bcuc.com/Forms/LetterOfComment>.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13th day of August 2026.

BY ORDER

Electronically signed by Ana Dennier

A. C. Dennier
Commissioner

Attachment

Kwasen Village Utility Limited Partnership
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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2026)
Kwasen Village Utility Limited Partnership (KVULP) public notice of Application	Monday, August 24
KVULP confirmation of compliance with public notice requirements, except for social media reminder posts	Wednesday, August 26
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to KVULP	Monday, September 21
KVULP responses to BCUC IR No.1	Wednesday, October 21
Letters of comment deadline	Wednesday, October 28
KVULP confirmation of compliance with social media reminder posts	Wednesday, November 4
KVULP reply to letters of comment, if any, and final arguments	Thursday, November 12



We want to hear from you

kʷasən VILLAGE DISTRICT THERMAL ENERGY SYSTEM CPCN APPLICATION

On July 16, 2026, Kwasen Village Utility Limited Partnership (KVULP) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to purchase, own, and operate the thermal energy system (TES) located at the kʷasən Village Development located in Burnaby, B.C. (KV TES) (Application). The KV TES will provide space heating, domestic hot water, and, where applicable, space cooling to three residential buildings in Phase 1 of the kʷasən Village Development through a combination of natural gas-fired boilers and air-source heat pumps.

The BCUC has established a public and transparent proceeding to review the Application.

To participate in the proceeding, please see the options below or visit www.bcuc.com/get-involved for more information.

GET INVOLVED

- [Subscribe to the proceeding](#)
- [Submit a letter of comment](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

1. **Wednesday, October 28, 2026**
Deadline to submit a letter of comment

Please visit the [proceeding page](#) on bcuc.com under “Our Work” to learn more.

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