



November 30, 2020

Corix
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VIA EMAIL

Attention: Ron Zink, Director, Financial Planning & Analysis

Dear Mr. Zink:

Re: Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. – Request for Amendment to Revised Regulatory Timetable

On October 21, 2020, the Deputy Comptroller of Water Rights (“Deputy Comptroller”) issued Order No. 2573 which included a Revised Regulatory Timetable for the completion of the evidentiary portion of the Revenue Requirements hearing of Panorama Water. The hearing schedule provided for one round of information responses and responses. The Revised Timetable had Corix file its response to Information Requests; Corix to submit its Final Submission based on the evidentiary record in the hearing; Interveners to file their Final Submissions; and Corix to provide a Reply Submission to conclude the submissions in the hearing.

On November 23, 2020, Corix received Intervener Submissions from Trappers Way Residential Group (“Trappers Way”) and Panorama Subdivision Owners Association (“PSOA”). The Intervener Submissions provided Intervener comments on the application but also included further detailed information requests. Trappers Way provided 2 pages of submissions which contains six points of comments and concerns. Trappers Way’s filing also included 13 pages of further information requests. PSOA filed four pages, of which the last two included further information requests. Typically, Intervener Submissions reflect the Interveners’ summation of its positions and outline any issues of concern. Intervener Submissions usually do not contain further information requests.

Corix responded on November 26, 2020 and identified two options for the completion of the hearing:

“Option 1:

Corix files its Reply Submission on December 14, 2020. In the Reply Submission Corix will respond to the issues, comments and concerns raised in the Intervener Final Submissions and will also address the key issues and concerns raised in the Further Information Requests from



the Interveners. In this option Corix will not be responding to each specific information request and no new evidence will be filed. This option will nominally extend the regulatory timetable and allow Corix to review the Further Information Requests and address the key issues raised in those questions in its Reply Submission. This option will require an amendment to the Revised Regulatory Timetable for the Reply Submission date.

Option 2:

The Comptroller amends the Revised Regulatory Timetable and re-opens the evidentiary record to allow Corix to file full detailed responses to all of the questions in the Further Intervener Information Requests, which will be added to the evidentiary record. Subsequently, Corix would file a Supplemental Final Submission addressing only the issues raised in the Further Information Requests. Interveners would then file their Supplemental Final Submissions on the issues raised in the Further Information Requests. Corix would then conclude the hearing with its Reply Submission. This option will require an amendment to the Revised Regulatory Timetable and would continue the regulatory process into 2021, adding additional time and cost to the hearing.”

Corix believes that Option 1 will adequately address the issues and concerns raised in the hearing from Interveners, while also facilitating a timelier conclusion to the hearing.

The Deputy Comptroller considers that Option 1 will adequately respond to customers’ desire for additional information without unduly prolonging the hearing process. While it is unusual to allow additional questions at this stage of a hearing, based on a review of the questions asked the Deputy Comptroller determines that this limited expansion of the process is warranted. Most of the additional questions seek to expand issues already explored in the original information requests and highlighted by the Interveners as issues for the Deputy Comptroller to consider in the Final Order and Reasons for Decision.

Therefore, the Deputy Comptroller has issued Order No. 2577 granting Corix until December 14, 2020 to submit its Reply Submission. That filing will conclude the evidentiary portion of the written hearing process. A copy of Order 2577 is enclosed.

Yours truly,



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Secretary to the Comptroller Water Rights.

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Trappers Way Residential Group
Panorama Subdivision Owners Association
Panorama Mountain Resort
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ORDER NUMBER 2577

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMPTROLLER OF WATER RIGHTS
IN THE MATTER OF

the Water Utility Act and the Utilities Commission Act

and

Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. – Panorama Water

**For Approval of
2020 to 2022
Revenue Requirements & Rate Application**

BEFORE:

Jesal Shah, Deputy Comptroller of Water Rights
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ORDER 2577

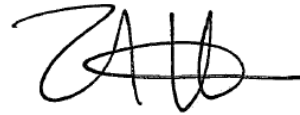
Dated this 30th day of November 2020

Whereas:

1. Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. (“Corix” or “the Utility”) is a subsidiary of Corix Infrastructure Inc., a privately held corporation headquartered in Vancouver, BC. Corix owns and operates the water utility providing service to Panorama Mountain Village (“Panorama”). In addition to the water utility, Corix owns and operates the propane and wastewater utilities at Panorama.
2. On July 31, 2020 the Deputy Comptroller issued Order No. 2570 approving the Utility’s request for an interim, refundable rate increase effective August 1, 2020. Order 2570 also established a written public hearing process with issuance of a Regulatory Timetable. The Regulatory Timetable provided for one round of information requests and responses.
3. On August 14, 2020 Corix notified all customers informing them of the Amended Application and requested rate increases. Persons wishing to actively participate in the hearing were given until September 18, 2020 to register as an intervener. On the same date, the Deputy Comptroller issued Information Request No. 1. Customers wanting to submit comments on the Amended Application were required to do so by September 28, 2020.
4. Three parties representing Panorama Mountain Resort, Panorama Subdivision Owners Association and Trappers Way Residential Group registered as interveners (the “Interveners”). No customer submissions were received.
5. On October 21, 2020 Order 2573 was issued with a Revised Regulatory Timetable approving an extension for each remaining item on the timetable. The Revised Regulatory Timetable granted a short delay to allow Corix time to provide more complete responses to the questions received in Information Request No. 1 and from the Interveners in one complete submission.
6. Corix provided its response to all Information Requests on October 30, 2020 with its Final Submission provided on November 9, 2020. On November 23, 2020 the Interveners provided their Final Submissions as per the Revised Regulatory Timetable. The Final Submissions included further detailed information requests.
7. On November 26, 2020 Corix requested a delay to its Reply Submission scheduled for November 30, 2020 in order to prepare a response. In the request, Corix provided two options for the Deputy Comptroller’s consideration. Option 1 would allow Corix an extension until December 14, 2020 to file its Reply Submission. Option 2 would amend the Revised Regulatory Timetable and continue the hearing process with further information requests and submissions from the Utility and Interveners.
8. The Deputy Comptroller has considered the information received to date from both Corix and the Interveners and issues raised in the Interveners Final Submissions. As most of the additional questions seek to expand on issues raised in the original information requests, a limited expansion of the hearing process is warranted and Option 1 should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Deputy Comptroller orders that:

- 1. An extension to Corix's Reply Submission from November 30, 2020 to December 14, 2020 is granted to allow Corix to provide limited responses to the additional questions raised by the Interveners and to provide its Reply Submission. The filing of Corix's Reply Submission will conclude the evidentiary portion of the written hearing process.**



Jesal Shah, MBA
Deputy Comptroller of Water Rights