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Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC Notice Of Application to the BCUC for Approval of a Cost Allocation Manual

Bluestem Multi-Utility Services ULC (**BMUS**) recently submitted an application on June 30, 2025, seeking approval from the British Columbia Utilities Commission (**BCUC**) for a methodology employed by our parent entity, Nexus Water Group Inc. (**NWG**), to allocate corporate costs to its utility operations.

See below for more information regarding BMUS's application.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

(1) Who is BMUS? What utility services does it provide?

BMUS is a Canadian provider of utility services. Its affiliate companies own and operate utilities across North America, including electricity, natural gas, propane, geothermal, water, and wastewater. Depending on your geographical location, we deliver one or more of these services to you.

(2) Who is the BCUC, and what does it regulate?

The British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) serves as the provincial regulator for energy utilities and oversees customer rates for BMUS's utility services, including electricity, natural gas, and propane.

(3) What are you seeking approval for?

BMUS is requesting the BCUC's approval for the methodology designed to allocate charges or distribute costs to each local utility (the **Application**), as outlined in NWG's Cost Allocation Manual (CAM). This approval is sought to ensure that corporate costs are allocated fairly and charged appropriately across all utilities.

The allocations based on the CAM are included in each utility's revenue requirements and, in certain cases, are used to set utility rates. However, BMUS is not requesting approval for any allocated costs in this Application. Approval for these costs will be sought in future applications submitted to the BCUC, depending on the review outcomes of this Application.

(4) What are these allocated corporate costs for?

NWG supplies corporate services to your local BMUS utility, including support functions such as information technology, accounting, human resources, legal affairs, finance, and health, safety, & environmental management. These services are offered at cost, with no markup applied. Such support functions are essential in enabling us to provide safe and reliable utility services to BMUS's customers.

(5) Where can I find the Corporate Cost Allocation Application and related information?

The Application can be found online at the BCUC website:
<https://www.bcuc.com/OurWork/ViewProceeding?applicationid=1379>.

(6) How can customers provide their input into the regulatory process?

You can participate in the BCUC regulatory process by providing a letter of comment. The BCUC explains how to get involved in its public proceedings at [Get Involved in a Proceeding - BCUC](#).

(7) How will this Application impact my customer bill?

This Application is not a rate application and has no immediate impact on your customer's bill. If your utility service is regulated by rates, any modifications to those rates must be authorized by the BCUC prior to being charged to customers. The BCUC will convene a rate hearing and solicit customer input when a rate application is submitted.

(8) I have a question. Who do I contact?

Customers can contact BMUS via email at Reg.Affairs@nexus.com.