

**ORDER NUMBER 2622**

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
OFFICE OF THE 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 Utility**

**For Approval of  
2023 to 2026  
Revenue Requirement & Rate Application**

BEFORE:

Ted White, Comptroller of Water Rights  
PO Box 9340 STN PROV GOVT  
Victoria, BC V8W 9M1

**ORDER 2622**

Dated this 18th day of January 2023

**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”).
2. On December 30, 2022, Corix filed its Revenue Requirement and Rate Application for 2023 through to 2026 (“the Application”) with detailed support to increase water rates effective January 1, 2023. The last rate application was approved by Order No. 2584 for the test years 2020 to 2022. In the Application, Corix requests substantial water rate increases largely as a result of completion of the Groundwater Source Development Program (GSDP) and recovery of the Revenue Deficiency Deferral Account, as well as higher proposed Operating and Maintenance expenses.
3. Corix requests that the proposed rates be approved on an interim, refundable basis effective January 1, 2023 pursuant to Sections 59 to 61 and sections 89 and 90 of the *Utilities Commission Act*. The proposed interim water rates are:

**Table 1: Proposed Customer Rates: Test Years 2023 to 2026**

	<b>Effective January 1, 2023</b>	<b>Effective January 1, 2024</b>	<b>Effective January 1, 2025</b>	<b>Effective January 1, 2026</b>
<b>Residential Metered Rate</b> per bed unit per month	\$13.55	\$14.33	\$15.08	\$15.39
<b>Residential Fixed Charge</b> per cubic meter	\$8.24	\$8.71	\$9.17	\$9.36
<b>Commercial Metered Rate</b> per bed unit per month	\$15.04	\$15.91	\$16.74	\$17.08
<b>Commercial Fixed Charge</b> per cubic meter	\$8.63	\$9.13	\$9.61	\$9.81

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Comptroller of Water Rights (“the Comptroller”) directs that:

1. The Utility’s request for an interim, refundable rate increase as shown above is approved effective January 1, 2023. The rates and charges will remain interim and refundable with interest subject to the final decision of the Comptroller on this Application.
2. A written public hearing is established for the review of this Application with

timelines as identified in the Regulatory Timetable attached as Appendix A to this Order.

3. Persons wishing to actively participate in the hearing must register as Interveners in writing with the Secretary to the Comptroller of Water Rights by February 28, 2023. Interveners' Information Requests of the Utility are due March 10, 2023.
4. Persons wishing to provide comments on the Application but not actively participate in the hearing are invited to do so by February 28, 2023.
5. Corix is directed to provide a copy of this Order along with its Notice of Application to all customers and post them on its website.

Dated at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this 18th day of January, 2023.



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Ted White  
Comptroller of Water Rights

File No. 0321243

**An Application by Corix Multi-Utility Services Inc. (“Corix”)  
Panorama Water Utility  
For approval of its 2023 through to 2026  
Revenue Requirement and Rate Application**

**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>
Notices to be sent from Corix to all its customers	January 31, 2023
Registration for all persons wishing to become Interveners and actively participate in the hearing	February 28, 2023
All persons wishing to comment on the Application	February 28, 2023
Comptroller to issue Information Request (IR) No. 1	February 21, 2023
Interveners’ Information Requests to the Utility	March 10, 2020
Corix to respond to all Information Requests	March 31, 2023
Corix to provide its Final Submission	April 21, 2023
Interveners to provide their Final Submissions	April 28, 2023
Corix to provide any Reply Submission	May 5, 2023

Notes:

If any Interveners wish to submit direct evidence in the proceeding, the above schedule may require amendment to allow Corix an opportunity to ask Information Requests of those Interveners.

If another round of Information Requests is required, the Deputy Comptroller will issue another Order/Revised Regulatory Timetable during this hearing process.

All submissions and/or correspondence received from active participants or the general public relating to the Application are to be placed on the Utility’s website.