

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**ENERGY REGULATOR**

*Energy Resource Activities Act*

The board of the British Columbia Energy Regulator orders that the Renewable Energy Projects Regulation, B.C. Reg. 28/2026, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule.

**DEPOSITED**

March 24, 2026

B.C. REG. 42/2026

March 20, 2026

Date



Chair, Board of Directors

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*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

**Authority under which Order is made:**

Act and section: *Energy Resource Activities Act*, S.B.C. 2008, c. 36, ss. 106, 107, 109, 111 and 112

Other: *Renewable Energy Projects (Streamlined Permitting) Act*, S.B.C. 2025, c. 12, ss. 6 and 9

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## SCHEDULE

- 1 *Section 6 (1) (a) and (2) (e) of the Renewable Energy Projects Regulation, B.C. Reg. 28/2026, is amended by striking out “a project area” and substituting “the operating area or proposed operating area”.*
- 2 *Part 4 is repealed and the following substituted:*

### PART 4 – FEES AND SECURITY

#### Division 1 – Fees

##### Definitions

13.1 In this Division:

- “**class A project**” means a renewable energy project with a rated nameplate capacity greater than 5 MW and less than 50 MW, other than a class C project;
- “**class B project**” means a renewable energy project with a rated nameplate capacity greater than or equal to 50 MW, other than a class C project;
- “**class C project**” means a renewable energy project that is a non-exempt reviewable project;
- “**investigative use licence**”, in relation to a renewable energy project, means a licence of occupation under the *Land Act* that is issued before an application for a permit or authorizations for the project;
- “**major amendment**” means an amendment to a permit for a renewable energy project to do one or more of the following:
  - (a) increase the rated nameplate capacity of the project;
  - (b) increase the total number of permitted wind turbines, solar arrays or battery or other energy storage systems;
  - (c) increase by one hectare or more an operating area of the permit;
  - (d) in the case of a wind energy project, increase
    - (i) the maximum permitted turbine height, or
    - (ii) the maximum permitted turbine blade size.

##### Permit application fees

- 13.2 The following fee must be submitted on application under section 24 of the Act for a permit for a renewable energy project:
- (a) in the case of class A project, the sum of
    - (i) \$7 500, and
    - (ii) the product of \$500 and the rated nameplate capacity of the facility in megawatts;
  - (b) in the case of a class B project, \$250 000;
  - (c) in the case of a class C project, \$62 500.

### **Permit amendment fees**

- 13.3** The following fee must be submitted on application under section 31 of the Act in respect of a permit for a renewable energy project:
- (a) if the application proposes one or more major amendments, \$7 000;
  - (b) in any other case, \$1 000.

### **Authorization application fees – level 2 streamlined projects**

- 13.4** The following fees must be submitted on application for authorizations related to a level 2 streamlined project:
- (a) in the case of a wind or solar energy project, \$5 000;
  - (b) in the case of an electric transmission line project, \$500 for each kilometre of electric transmission line.

### **Other fees**

- 13.5** (1) Section 4.1 [*fees for advice and consultation services*] of the Fee, Levy and Security Regulation, B.C. Reg. 8/2014, applies in relation to a renewable energy project that is a non-exempt reviewable project.
- (2) The fee for an investigative use licence for a renewable energy project is the following:
- (a) in the case of a licence with a term of 2 years or less, the sum of
    - (i) \$500, and
    - (ii) \$1 for each hectare above 500 ha;
  - (b) in the case of a licence with a term greater than 2 years, the sum of
    - (i) \$7 500, and
    - (ii) \$10 for each hectare above 500 ha.

## **Division 2 – Security**

### **Security**

- 14** Section 25 (1), (3), (4) (b) and (5) [*security*] of the Fee, Levy and Security Regulation, B.C. Reg. 8/2014, applies in relation to renewable energy projects.
- 3** *Section 46 (1) is repealed and the following substituted:*
- (1) This section applies in relation to
    - (a) Division 1 of Part 4,
    - (b) Parts 5 to 8, and
    - (c) Division 1 of Part 9.
- 4** *Section 47 is amended*
- (a) *in subsection (2) by adding the following paragraph:*
    - (b.1) section 13.2 [*permit application fees*]; , **and**
  - (b) *in subsection (3) by striking out “section 49” and substituting “section 44”.*