Regulations and other Acts

Gouvernement du Québec

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Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2)

Environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects

—Amendment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects

WHEREAS, under section 31.1 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), no person may undertake any construction, work, activity or operation, or carry out work according to a plan or program, in the cases provided for by regulation of the Government without following the environmental impact assessment and review procedure provided for in subdivision 4 of Division II of Chapter IV of Title I of the Act and obtaining an authorization from the Government:

WHEREAS, under section 31.9 of the Act, the Government may make regulations on the matters set forth therein concerning the environmental impact assessment and review procedure;

Whereas, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 6 May 2020 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

It is ordered, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of the Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change: That the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects

Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2, ss. 31.1 and 31.9)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects (chapter Q-2, r. 23.1) is amended in section 10 of Part II of Schedule 1
 - (1) by inserting the following after the first paragraph:

"Projects concerning the construction of a control and transformer station of a voltage equal to or greater than 315 kV, including all electric power transmission lines of the same voltage, are exempt from the application of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph, when all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) the control and transformer station is used exclusively in the course of the operation of an establishment;
- (2) the control and transformer station is located on the same land or on land that is adjacent to that establishment.";
- (2) by replacing "A project" at the beginning of the second paragraph by "In addition, a project".
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

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