Regulations and other Acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1840-2022, 14 December 2022

Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01)

1,000-megawatt block of wind energy 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy

-Revocation

Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy

Whereas, under subparagraph 2.1 of the first paragraph of section 112 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01), the Government may make regulations determining, for a particular source of electric power supply, the corresponding energy block and maximum price established for the purpose of fixing the cost of electric power referred to in section 52.2 or for the purposes of the supply plan provided for in section 72, or for the purposes of a tender solicitation by the electric power distributor under section 74.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 2.2 of the first paragraph of section 112 of the Act, the Government may make regulations determining the timeframe applicable to a public tender solicitation by the electric power distributor under section 74.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting a 1,000 megawatt block of wind energy by Order in Council 1451-2022 dated 3 August 2022 and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy by Order in Council 1452-2022 dated 3 August 2022;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 1 of section 12 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* as set out in that Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under section 13 and the second paragraph of section 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of such publication and such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

Whereas the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of such publication and such coming into force of the Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy:

—the electric power distributor's obligation to issue tender solicitations for the blocks referred to in section 1 of the Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy and section 1 of the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy, not later than 31 December 2022, would not make it possible to obtain bids allowing the optimal development of the wind potential in the areas most suitable due to the limits of Hydro-Québec's main network, which would put at risk its capacity to supply the growing demand;

—the withdrawal of that obligation before 31 December 2022 will ensure that promoters will not commit resources for the development of projects that would not be situated in the most suitable areas and that would be feasible in the short term, due to the current limits of Hydro-Québec's main network;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy;

It is ordered, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy:

That the Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting a 1,000 megawatt block of wind energy and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

Yves Ouellet Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy and the Regulation respecting a 1,300-megawatt block of renewable energy

Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01, s. 112, 1st par., subpars. 2.1 and 2.2)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting a 1,000-megawatt block of wind energy, made by Order in Council 1451-2022 dated 3 August 2022, and the Regulation respecting a 1,300 megawatt block of renewable energy, made by Order in Council 1452-2022 dated 3 August 2022, are revoked.
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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O.C. 1858-2022, 14 December 2022

Financing of the Secrétariat du bingo for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.3 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (chapter L-6), the Government may require an annual contribution from bingo lottery scheme licence holders for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo;

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.3 of the Act, the percentage of the contribution and the collection procedure are to be determined by the Government;

WHEREAS, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, it is expedient to require an annual contribution from bingo lottery scheme licence holders for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, and to determine the percentage of the contribution and the collection procedure;

It is ordered, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Public Security:

That, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, the annual contribution payable by bingo lottery scheme licence holders, except the holders of a bingo hall manager's licence, for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, be based on a percentage of 15% applied to the annual duties payable under the Regulation respecting bingo (chapter L-6, r. 4) for the issue or maintenance of a bingo lottery scheme licence;

That, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, the annual contribution payable by the holders of a bingo hall manager's licence, for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, be based on a percentage of 15% applied to the total duties payable under the Regulation respecting bingo for the issue or maintenance of a bingo hall manager's licence for the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022;

That the collection procedure for the annual contribution for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 be as follows:

- —the annual contribution must be paid concurrently with the annual duties payable for the issue or maintenance of a bingo lottery scheme licence, except a bingo hall manager's licence;
- —the annual contribution of the holders of a bingo hall manager's licence must be paid within 60 days following the publication of this Order in Council in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*;
- —the annual contribution is payable to the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux;
- —the Régie sends the Secrétariat du bingo, not later than the 30th day following the date of publication of this Order in Council in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and thereafter every other month, a status report including a list of bingo lottery scheme licence holders whose licences were issued during the period concerned and the amount of each licence holder's annual contribution, with an indication whether that amount has been paid;
- —the Régie makes bank transfers to the Secrétariat and sends it the status report at the same frequency;
- where a bingo lottery scheme licence holder fails to pay the annual contribution, the Secrétariat may send the licence holder, by registered mail, a notice informing the licence holder of the failure and of the fact that, on the expiry of 30 days following the sending of the notice, proceedings for recovery may be instituted without further notice or delay;
- —licence holders may not claim reimbursement for part or all of their annual contribution, except if an error was made in calculating the annual contribution.

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