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**Definitions**

**1** In this regulation:

“**Act**” means the *Utilities Commission Act*;

“**LNG facility**” means a facility that liquefies natural gas.

[en. B.C. Reg. 160/2018, s. 1.]

**Exemptions**

**2** (1) The authority is exempt from section 45 (5) of the Act in respect of the following:

(a) a series capacitor station and related facilities and equipment, including associated communication and protection and control equipment, in the vicinity of each of the following:

(i) the District of Vanderhoof;

(ii) the Village of Burns Lake;

(iii) the Village of Telkwa;

(b) the addition of a third 500/287 kV transformer at the Skeena substation, including associated protection and control equipment;

(c) upgrades to increase the thermal rating of the existing 287 kV transmission line between the Skeena substation and Minette substation;

(d) a new transmission line between the Skeena substation and Minette substation;

(e) addition of shunt capacitors at the Minette substation, including associated protection and control equipment.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), the authority is exempt from section 45 (5) of the Act in respect of the construction or operation of a plant or system, or an upgrade or extension of either, to provide service for the following:

(a) an LNG facility in the vicinity of the District of Kitimat;

(b) a facility necessary for the construction of an LNG facility in the vicinity of the District of Kitimat.

(3) The exemptions under subsection (2) do not apply in respect of a plant, system, upgrade or extension that, on the date the authority decides to construct the plant, system, upgrade or extension, cannot reasonably be expected to come into service before October 1, 2025.

(4) Subsection (3) does not limit any of the exemptions under subsection (1).

[am. B.C. Regs. 160/2018, s. 2; 140/2021, s. (a).]