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July 26, 2018

British Columbia Utilities Commission Suite 410, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Attention: Mr. Patrick Wruck, Commission Secretary and Manager, Regulatory Support

Dear Mr. Wruck:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) and FortisBC Inc. (FBC), collectively FortisBC or the Companies

Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plans for 2014 through 2019 (PBR Plans) approved by the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) Decisions and Orders G-138-14 and G-139-14 (PBR Decisions)

Proposed Process and Timetables for FEI and FBC Annual Reviews for 2019 Rates

The Companies file this submission in compliance with Commission Orders G-86-15 and G-107-15, which stated the following:

...the Panel sets out the following guidelines as the default template for future annual reviews.

- Intervener and Interested Party Registration;
- Commission and Intervener Information Requests No. 1;
- FEI Response to Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 1;
- A workshop which includes Commission panel participation. The format of the workshop, including who facilitates it, will be determined at each annual review proceeding;
- FEI Response to Undertakings from Workshop;
- Intervener Written Submissions; and
- FEI Written Reply Submissions.

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With the filing of this submission, the Companies are proposing a process and timetable for the FEI and FBC Annual Reviews for 2019 Rates as set out below, with the objective of allowing the Commission to issue decisions in time for permanent rates to be effective for January 1. A draft form of procedural order is attached for each company.

Action	FEI Dates (2018)	FBC Dates (2018)
2019 Annual Review Filing on or before	Friday, August 3	Friday, August 10
Intervener Registration	Friday, August 10	Friday, August 17
Commission and Intervener Information Requests (IRs) No. 1	Monday, August 27	Tuesday, September 4
Companies' Responses to IRs No. 1	Tuesday, September 18	Tuesday, September 25
Workshop	Tuesday, October 2	Wednesday, October 10
Companies' Responses to Workshop Undertakings (if any)	Thursday, October 11	Thursday, October 18
Intervener Written Submissions	Thursday, October 25	Thursday, November 1
Companies' Written Reply Submissions	Thursday, November 1	Thursday, November 8
Anticipated Decision	Thursday, November 29	Thursday, December 6

Prior to the Workshops, the Companies intend to circulate draft agendas, which will include any issues identified through the information request process.

FortisBC requests that the Commission issue the procedural orders setting out the regulatory timetables as soon as possible to allow ample time for parties planning to participate.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

on behalf of FORTISBC

Original signed:

Diane Roy

Attachments

cc (email only): Registered Parties to FortisBC's Annual Reviews for 2018 Rates



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ORDER NUMBER G-xx-xx

IN THE MATTER OF the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Annual Review for 2019 Delivery Rates

BEFORE:

Panel Chair/Commissioner
Commissioner
Commissioner

on Date

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 15, 2014, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued its Decision and Order G-138-14 for FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) approving a Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking (PBR) Plan for 2014 through 2019 (the PBR Decision). In accordance with the PBR Decision, FEI is to conduct an annual review process to set delivery rates for each year;
- B. On May 27, 2015, the Commission issued its Decision and Order G-86-15 in the FEI Annual Review of 2015 Delivery Rates, setting out, among other things, the default regulatory timetable template for future Annual Reviews to include:
 - Intervener and Interested Party Registration;
 - Commission and Intervener Information Requests No. 1;
 - FEI Response to Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 1;
 - A workshop which includes Commission panel participation. The format of the workshop, including who facilitates it, will be determined at each annual review proceeding;
 - FEI Response to Undertakings from Workshop;
 - Intervener Written Submissions; and
 - FEI Written Reply Submissions;
- C. By letter dated July 26, 2018, FEI proposed a regulatory timetable for its annual review for 2019 delivery rates; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed FEI's proposal and considers that establishment of a regulatory timetable for the annual review for FEI's 2019 delivery rates is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Regulatory Timetable for the annual review for FortisBC Energy Inc.'s 2019 delivery rates is established, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. A Workshop to review FortisBC Energy Inc.'s 2018 performance results and the 2019 revenue requirements will be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, commencing at 9am, at the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th Floor, 1125 Howe Street, Vancouver BC.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this (XX) day of [Month Year].

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

(X. X. last name) Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Energy Inc. Annual Review for 2019 Delivery Rates

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2018)	
FEI Filing of 2019 Annual Review Application on or before	Friday, August 3	
Intervener Registration Deadline	Friday, August 10	
Commission and Intervener Information Request (IR) No. 1	Monday, August 27	
FBC Responses to Commission and Intervener IR No. 1	Tuesday, September 18	
Workshop*	Tuesday, October 2	
FEI Responses to Workshop Undertakings (if any)	Thursday, October 11	
Intervener Written Final Submissions	Thursday, October 25	
FFEI Written Reply Submissions	Thursday, November 1	

*Workshop Location:

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BEFORE:

Panel Chair/Commissioner
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ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 15, 2014, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued its Decision and Order G-139-14 for FortisBC Inc. (FBC) approving a Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking (PBR) Plan for 2014 through 2019 (the PBR Decision). In accordance with the PBR Decision, FBC is to conduct an annual review process to set delivery rates for each year;
- B. On June 23, 2015, the Commission issued its Decision and Order G-107-15 in the FBC Annual Review of 2015 Rates, setting out, among other things, the default regulatory timetable template for future Annual Reviews to include:
 - Intervener and Interested Party Registration;
 - Commission and Intervener Information Requests No. 1;
 - FBC Response to Commission and Intervener Information Request No. 1;
 - A workshop which includes Commission panel participation. The format of the workshop, including who facilitates it, will be determined at each annual review proceeding;
 - FBC Response to Undertakings from Workshop;
 - Intervener Written Submissions; and
 - FBC Written Reply Submissions;
- C. By letter dated July 26, 2018, FBC proposed a regulatory timetable for its annual review for 2019 rates; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed FBC's proposal and considers that establishment of a regulatory timetable for the annual review for FBC's 2019 Rates is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The regulatory timetable for the annual review of FortisBC Inc.'s 2019 Rates is established, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. A Workshop to review FortisBC Inc.'s 2018 performance results and the 2019 revenue requirements will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, commencing at 9am, at the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th Floor, 1125 Howe Street, Vancouver BC.

DATED at the City of Vancouve	r, in the Province of British Columbia, this	(XX) day of [Month Year]
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BY ORDER

Original signed by:

(X. X. last name) Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Inc. Annual Review for 2019 Rates

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2017)
FBC Filing of 2019 Annual Review Application on or before	Friday, August 10
Intervener Registration Deadline	Friday, August 17
Commission and Intervener Information Request (IR) No. 1	Tuesday, September 4
FBC Responses to Commission and Intervener IR No. 1	Tuesday, September 25
Workshop*	Wednesday, October 10
FBC Responses to Workshop Undertakings (if any)	Thursday, October 18
Intervener Written Final Submissions	Thursday, November 1
FBC Written Reply Submissions	Thursday, November 8

*Workshop Location:

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