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BC Hydro
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Attention: Mr. Fred James, Chief Regulatory Officer

Dear Mr. James:

Re: FortisBC Inc. (FBC)
Project No. 1598939
2017 Cost of Service Analysis and Rate Design Application (the Application)
FBC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to BC Hydro and Power Authority (BCH)

On December 22, 2017, FBC filed the Application referenced above. In accordance with the British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-101-18 establishing the Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application, attached please find FBC IR No. 1 to BCH on its Evidence (Exhibit C1-3).

If further information is required, please contact Corey Sinclair at (250) 469-8038.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC INC.

Original signed:

Diane Roy

Attachments

cc (email only): Commission Secretary
Registered Parties

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1 **1.0 Reference: Page 1, lines 11-14**

2 “The specific amendments proposed are described in section 7.2.3 of the FortisBC RDA
3 and, as noted in the application BC Hydro provides a similar clarification for its
4 customers through its Open Access Transmission Tariff - Business Practice, Posting of
5 Transmission Offerings.”

6 1.1 In the hypothetical case where a self-generating customer of BC Hydro, or an
7 IPP located within the BC Hydro service area, were to deliver power to FBC, and
8 FBC was purchasing the power for resale to its customers, would BC Hydro
9 charge the self-generating customer or IPP for wheeling services per its OATT?

10 1.2 Please confirm that IPPs in FortisBC’s service area that are exporting power to
11 BC Hydro do not reserve Point-To-Point Transmission Service (**PTP**) on BC
12 Hydro’s system and do not pay PTP charges to BC Hydro.

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14 **2.0 Reference: Page 2, line 9-13**

15 “The application was for amendments to their respective wholesale transmission tariffs
16 that sought to avoid the "pancaking" of rates for customers seeking to serve their loads
17 from a third-party and where the transmission systems of both utilities would be required
18 to deliver the power to the customer.”

19 2.1 Does BC Hydro agree that the 1998 joint application by BC Hydro and FortisBC
20 (then West Kootenay Power) did not address the situation where an IPP or self-
21 generating customer used the transmission tariffs of either utility for the purpose
22 of selling self-generation output to another utility?

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24 **3.0 Reference: Page 4, line 22**

25 “The review contemplated by the Commission was premised, in large part, on evaluating
26 how much revenue loss the utilities incurred.”

27 3.1 Please provide an example scenario(s) in which a revenue loss to either FBC or
28 BC Hydro may occur due to the wheeling of self-generated power by an IPP or
29 load customer.?

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31 **4.0 Reference: Page 5, line 21**

32 “BC Hydro does not seek an end to rate harmonization per se, nor does it object to
33 FortisBC's specific tariff amendment proposal.”



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- 4.1 In addition to simply not objecting to FBC's specific tariff amendment proposal, does BC Hydro agree that the revision correctly reflects the intent of the original 1998 Application?