



LETTER NO. L-40-07

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**FORTISBC ~ NARAMATA
SUBSTATION CPCN**

EXHIBIT A-6

Mr. David Bennett
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Dear Mr. Bennett:

Re: FortisBC Inc.
Project No. 3698458 – Order No. G-42-07
Customer Complaints regarding the proposed site of
the Naramata Substation Project

Notice of Location and Time of the Oral Public Hearing, and Hearing Issues List

Further to the Commission's April 17, 2007 letter (Exhibit A-1) we enclose Commission Letter No. L-40-07 establishing the Notice of Location and Time of the Oral Public Hearing and Hearing Issues List.

FortisBC Inc. ("FortisBC") shall publish the Notice of Location and Time of the Oral Public Hearing, attached as Appendix A, in local Okanagan Valley Newspapers and on FortisBC's website www.FortisBC.com, by June 6, 2007, or as soon as it is possible to do so. The Commission has decided that the Oral Public Hearing will be held in Penticton at the Penticton Lakeside Resort and Convention Centre on July 24, 2007 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

The Commission seeks input on the draft Hearing Issues List for the Oral Public Hearing, which is attached as Appendix B. Comments should be submitted to the Commission no later than June 15, 2007 following which the Commission Panel will make a determination.

The Commission Panel expects that FortisBC and Intervenors who have filed or will file evidence to have Witness Panels available for cross-examination.

The Commission Panel will provide an opportunity for Intervenors who are not represented by Counsel to make a brief oral submission to the Commission Panel during the Hearing. Intervenors wishing to do so, should register with Commission Counsel by Friday, July 20, 2007.

Yours truly,



Robert J. Pellatt

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Enclosures

cc: Registered Intervenors (FBC-2007Naramata-RI)
Interested Parties (FBC-2007Naramata-IP)

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FORTISBC INC.
NARAMATA SUBSTATION PROJECT

NOTICE OF ORAL PUBLIC HEARING

Date:	Tuesday, July 24, 2007
Time:	Commencing 9:00 a.m.
Location:	Penticton Lakeside Resort and Convention Centre 21 Lakeshore Drive W. Penticton, B.C.

THE PROJECT

The 2005 Capital Expenditure Plan of FortisBC Inc. ("FortisBC") included the Naramata Substation Project to rebuild the Naramata substation at a different site. In Order No. G-52-05 that responded to the 2005 Capital Expenditure Plan, the Commission approved the project. In letters dated March 15 and April 10, 2007, FortisBC reviewed its selection of a site for the new substation, and advised that it was proceeding to construct the substation on the Gibbard property site on Arawana Road rather than the Fire Hall site at Naramata Road and Debeck Road.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS

In response to correspondence from a number of interested parties referencing concerns about FortisBC's decision to proceed at the Arawana site, by Order No. G-42-07 the Commission established an oral public hearing into the siting of the substation, and directed FortisBC to file a Report on the siting options by April 30, 2007. Order No. G-51-07 and Letter No. L-40-07 established the Regulatory Timetable for the proceeding, with the oral hearing to commence on Tuesday, July 24, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at the Penticton Lakeside Resort and Convention Centre.

The Commission Panel will provide an opportunity for Intervenor who are not represented by Counsel to make a brief oral submission to the Commission Panel during the Hearing. Intervenor wishing to do so, should register with Commission Counsel by Friday, July 20, 2007.

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PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE DOCUMENTS

The Report and supporting materials will be available for inspection at the following locations:

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<http://www.fortisbc.com>

British Columbia Utilities Commission
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FURTHER INFORMATION

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and Customer Complaints regarding the proposed site of
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DRAFT HEARING ISSUES LIST

1. Project siting options and related costs and issues,
2. Transmission and Distribution line routing,
3. Aesthetics, including possible mitigation measures and impact on property values,
4. Project compliance with the WHO and ICNIRP EMF standards,
5. Impact of construction on agricultural operations and mitigation measures.
6. Land Acquisition and Zoning for substation and transmission lines,
7. Project schedule,
8. Impact of delays to Project and bridging measures for mitigation,