

June 7, 2012

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British Columbia Utilities Commission 6th Floor, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC

Attention: Ms. Erica M. Hamilton, Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

FortisBC Energy Inc. ("FEI" or the "Company") - Fort Nelson Service Area Re:

Gas Cost Reconciliation Account ("GCRA") and Gas Cost Recovery Rates

2012 Second Quarter Gas Cost Report

The attached materials provide the FEI 2012 Second Quarter Gas Cost Report for the Fort Nelson service area ("Fort Nelson") as required under British Columbia Utilities Commission (the "Commission") guidelines.

Based on the five-day average of the May 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, 2012 forward prices for natural gas ("five-day average forward prices ending May 18, 2012"), the June 30, 2012 GCRA deferral balance is projected to be approximately \$59,300 deficit after tax (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 2, Line 28). Further, based on the five-day average forward prices ending May 18, 2012, the gas purchase cost assumptions, and the forecast gas cost recoveries at present rates for the 12-month period ending June 30, 2013, and accounting for the projected June 30, 2012 deferral balance, the GCRA ratio is calculated to be 95.6% (Tab 1, Page 1, Column 3, Line 10). The GCRA trigger ratio falls within the deadband range of 95% to 105%, indicating that a rate change is not required at this time.

A summary of the forward prices is provided on Tab 1, Page 4, and a summary of the recorded and forecast monthly GCRA balances is provided on Tab 1, Page 5.

Provided in Tab 2 are the details of the forecast gas costs for Fort Nelson. The Company requests the information contained in Tab 2 be treated as CONFIDENTIAL.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Consistent with past practice and previous discussions and positions on the confidentiality of selected filings (and further emphasized in the Company's January 31, 1994 submission to the Commission) FEI is requesting that this information be filed on a confidential basis pursuant to Section 71(5) of the *Utilities Commission Act* and requests that the Commission exercise its discretion under Section 6.0 of the Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts and allow these documents to remain confidential. FEI believes this will ensure that market sensitive information is protected, and FEI's ability to obtain favourable commercial terms for future gas contracting is not impaired.

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In this regard, FEI further believes that the Core Market could be disadvantaged and may well shoulder incremental costs if utility gas supply procurement strategies as well as contracts are treated in a different manner than those of other gas purchasers, and believes that since it continues to operate within a competitive environment, there is no necessity for public disclosure and risk prejudice or influence in the negotiations or renegotiation of subsequent contracts.

In summary, the Company proposes that the gas cost recovery rates for Fort Nelson remain unchanged at July 1, 2012. The Company will continue to monitor the forward prices and will report these results in the 2012 Third Quarter Gas Cost Report.

We trust the Commission will find the attached to be in order. However, should any further information be required, please contact Brian Noel at 604-592-7467.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed by: Shawn Hill

For: Diane Roy

Attachments

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. - FORT NELSON SERVICE AREA GAS COST RECONCILIATION ACCOUNT ("GCRA") RATE CHANGE TRIGGER MECHANISM FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2012 TO JUNE 30, 2013

WITH EXISTING APRIL 1, 2012 GAS COST RECOVERY RATES FIVE-DAY AVERAGE FORWARD PRICES - MAY 14, 15, 16, 17, AND 18, 2012

Line No.	Particulars	Annual (\$000)	Percentage	Volume (TJ)		Cost GJ)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(!	5)
1	RATE CHANGE TRIGGER MECHANISM					
2	Projected Grossed-up GCRA Balance as at June 30, 2012	\$ 79.1				
3	(Tab 1, Page 2, Col 2, Line 21)					
4						
5	Forecast Incurred Gas Costs - July 2012 to June 2013	\$ 2,088.2				
6	(Tab 1, Page 2, Col 14, Line 16)					
7	Forecast Recovered Gas Costs - July 2012 to June 2013	\$ 2,072.7				
8	(Tab 1, Page 2, Col 14, Line 7)					
9						
10	Ratio = Forecast Recovered Gas Costs = \$2,072.7	=	95.6%			
11	Forecast Incurred Gas Costs + Projected GCRA Balance \$ 2,167.3					
12						
13						
14						
15 16	BALANCING REQUIREMENT					
17	(applicable when Rate Change Trigger Mechanism Ratio falls outside 95% to 105% deadband and	outcido + ¢0	50/G I throchold	1/		
18	(applicable when rate change migger wechanism rationals outside 95% to 105% deadband and	outside ± 40	.50/G5 tilleshold	<i>1)</i>		
19						
20	TESTED RATES					
21						
22	Forecast 12 Month Sales Recovery Volumes July 2012 to June 2013			582.8		
23	(Tab 1, Page 2, Col 14, Line 2)					
24						
25	Projected GCRA Balance at June 30, 2012 (Line 2)	\$ 79.1			\$ (0.1358 ^(1*)
26	Forecast GCRA Activities - July 2012 to June 2013 (Line 5 minus Line 7)	15.5			\$ (0.0266 ^(1*)
27	(Over) / Under Recovery at Existing Rates	\$ 94.6				
28		:				
29						
30	Proposed Rates (Decrease) / Increase			;	\$ (0.162 (1*)

Notes: Slight differences in totals due to rounding.

Pre-tax opening balances are restated based on current income taxes, to reflect grossed-up after tax amounts.

^(1*) Gas cost recovery rates in tariff are set at 3 decimal places. Individual rate components are shown to 4 decimal places.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. - FORT NELSON SERVICE AREA RECOVERED AND INCURRED COSTS SUMMARY FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2012 TO JUNE 30, 2013 WITH EXISTING APRIL 1, 2012 GAS COST RECOVERY RATES FIVE-DAY AVERAGE FORWARD PRICES - MAY 14, 15, 16, 17, AND 18, 2012

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Line														Forecast
No.	Particulars	Jul-12	Aug-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
1	RECOVERED GAS COSTS													
2	Total Sales - TJ	13.8	14.7	24.6	41.7	66.8	84.1	98.3	74.2	73.4	45.6	26.3	19.3	582.8
3	T-Service UAF - TJ	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5
4														
5	Recovery on Sales - \$000	\$ 49.1	\$ 52.1	\$ 87.3	\$ 148.2	\$ 237.2	\$ 298.8	\$ 349.4	\$ 263.6	\$ 260.6	\$ 162.1	\$ 93.6	\$ 68.5	\$ 2,070.5
6	Recovery on T-Service UAF - \$000	0.0	0.0			0.1	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0	2.1
7	Total Forecast Recovered Gas Costs - \$000	\$ 49.1	\$ 52.1	\$ 87.3	\$ 148.2	\$ 237.3	\$ 299.1	\$ 349.9	\$ 264.1	\$ 261.0	\$ 162.3	\$ 93.6	\$ 68.5	\$ 2,072.7
8														
9														
10														
11	INCURRED GAS COSTS													
12	Total Purchases Incl. UAF - TJ	14.0	14.8	24.8	42.1	67.4	85.0	99.5	75.1	74.2	46.1	26.6	19.5	589.1
13														
14	Incurred Cost - \$/GJ	2.9206	2.9591	2.9644	3.0358	3.5999	3.7867	3.8268	3.8293	3.8165	3.0908	3.0989	3.1355	3.5445
15														
16	Forecast Incurred Gas Costs - \$000	\$ 40.8	\$ 43.8	\$ 73.5	<u>\$ 127.9</u>	\$ 242.8	\$ 321.9	\$ 380.6	\$ 287.5	\$ 283.1	<u>\$ 142.6</u>	\$ 82.5	<u>\$ 61.1</u>	\$ 2,088.2
17														
18														
19														
20	GCRA BALANCE													
21	Opening Balances (Pre-Tax) - \$000 (1*)	\$ 79.1	\$ 70.8			•			•	\$ 110.9	•			
	Forecast Activity - \$000	(8.3)	(8.3)		(20.3)	5.5	22.8	30.7	23.3	22.1	(19.7)		(7.4)	\$ 15.5
23	Closing Balances (Pre-tax) - \$000	\$ 70.8	\$ 62.5	\$ 48.8	\$ 28.5	\$ 34.0	\$ 56.8	\$ 87.5	\$ 110.9	\$ 133.0	\$ 113.3	\$ 102.1	\$ 94.6	
24														
25	Tau Data	05.000/	05.000	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	05.000/	
26	Tax Rate	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	
27 28	Opening Balances (After-Tax) - \$000	\$ 59.3	\$ 53.1	\$ 46.9	\$ 36.6	\$ 21.4	\$ 25.5	\$ 42.6	\$ 65.6	\$ 83.1	\$ 99.7	\$ 84.9	\$ 76.6	
	Closing Balances (After Tax) - \$000	\$ 53.1	\$ 46.9				\$ 42.6			\$ 99.7	\$ 84.9			
29	Olosing Dalances (Alter Tax) - \$000	ψ 55.1	ψ 40.9	ψ 50.0	ψ 41.4	ψ 20.0	ψ 42.0	ψ 03.0	ψ 03.1	ψ უუ.1	ψ 04.9	ψ 10.0	ψ /1.0	

Notes: Slight differences in totals due to rounding.

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No.	Particulars	J	ul-13	Αι	ıg-13	Se	p-13	0	ct-13	N	ov-13		ec-13	J	lan-14	F	eb-14	N	lar-14	A	pr-14	M	ay-14	J	un-14		Total
	(1)		(15)	((16)	(1	17)	((18)		(19)		(20)		(21)		(22)		(23)		(24)		(25)		(26)		(27)
1	RECOVERED GAS COSTS																										
2	Total Sales - TJ		14.0		14.9		25.0		42.3		67.8		85.4		100.0		75.4		74.5		46.3		26.7		19.6		591.9
3	T-Service UAF - TJ		0.0		0.0		-		-		0.0		0.1		0.1		0.1		0.1		0.1		0.0		0.0		0.5
4																											
5	Recovery on Sales - \$000	\$	49.7	\$	52.9	\$	88.8	\$	150.4	\$	241.0	\$	303.3	\$	355.2	\$	267.8	\$	264.8	\$		\$	94.9	\$	69.5	\$	2,102.9
6	Recovery on T-Service UAF - \$000		0.0		0.0						0.1		0.3		0.5		0.5		0.4		0.3		0.1		0.0		2.1
7	Total Forecast Recovered Gas Costs - \$000	\$	49.7	\$	52.9	\$	88.8	\$	150.4	\$	241.1	\$	303.6	\$	355.7	\$	268.3	\$	265.2	\$	164.8	\$	95.0	\$	69.5	\$	2,105.0
8																											
9																											
10																											
11	INCURRED GAS COSTS																										
12	Total Purchases Incl. UAF - TJ		14.1		15.0		25.3		42.8		68.5		86.3		101.1		76.2		75.4		46.8		27.0		19.8		598.3
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14	Incurred Cost - \$/GJ		3.1977	;	3.2074	3	.1814	;	3.2117		3.8522		4.0296		4.0434		4.0086		3.9751		3.3040		3.3183		3.3721		3.7569
15	F 10 0 \$000	•	45.0	•	40.0	•	00.0	•	407.0	•	0040	•	0.47.0	•	400.0	•	005.7	•	000.0	•	4547	•	00.0	•	00.0	•	
16	Forecast Incurred Gas Costs - \$000	\$	45.2	\$	48.2	\$	80.3	\$	137.3	\$	264.0	\$	347.8	\$	408.8	\$	305.7	\$	299.6	\$	154.7	\$	89.6	\$	66.6	\$	2,247.9
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20	GCRA BALANCE	•	040	•	00.4	•	05.5	•	 0	•	00.0	•	00.0	•	100.0	•	4040	•	004.4	•	055.0	•	0.45.0	•	0.40.4		
21	Opening Balances (Pre-Tax) - \$000 (1*)	\$	94.6		90.1	\$	85.5	\$	77.0	\$	63.9	\$	86.8	\$	130.9	\$	184.0	\$	221.4	\$	255.8	\$	245.8	\$	240.4	Φ.	4.40.0
	Forecast Activity - \$000 Closing Balances (Pre-tax) - \$000	Φ.	(4.5) 90.1	\$	(4.7) 85.5	\$	(8.5) 77.0	Φ.	(13.1) 63.9	\$	22.9 86.8	Φ.	44.1 130.9	\$	53.1 184.0	\$	37.4 221.4	\$	34.4 255.8	\$	(10.0) 245.8	\$	(5.4) 240.4	\$	(2.9)	\$	142.9
23	Closing Balances (Pre-lax) - \$000	Φ	90.1	Ф	00.0	Ф	77.0	Φ	03.9	Ф	00.0	Ф	130.9	Ф	104.0	Ф	221.4	Φ	200.0	Φ	243.0	Φ	240.4	Ф	237.3		
24																											
25 26	Tax Rate		25.00%		25.00%	2	5.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		25.00%		
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28	Opening Balances (After-Tax) - \$000	\$	71.0	\$	67.6	\$	64.1	\$	57.7	\$	47.9	\$	65.1	\$	98.2	\$	138.0	\$	166.0	\$	191.9	\$	184.3	\$	180.3		
	Closing Balances (After Tax) - \$000	\$	67.6	_	64.1	\$	57.7	\$	47.9	\$	65.1	\$	98.2		138.0	-	166.0	\$	191.9	\$		\$	180.3	_	178.1		
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Notes: Slight differences in totals due to rounding.

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FORTISBC ENERGY INC. - FORT NELSON SERVICE AREA STATION NO. 2 INDEX FORECAST FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2014

Line No	Particulars	Five-day Average Forward Prices - May 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, 2012 2012 Q2 Gas Cost Report	Five-day Average Forward Prices - February 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, 2012 2012 Q1 Gas Cost Report	Change in Forward Prices			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) = (2) - (3)			
1	Station No. 2 Index Prices - \$CDN/GJ						
2	2011 July	\$ 3.15	\$ 3.15	\$ -			
3	August	\$ 3.03	\$ 3.03	\$ -			
4	September	\$ 3.12	\$ 3.12	\$ -			
5	October	\$ 2.80	\$ 2.80	\$ -			
6	November	\$ 2.96	\$ 2.96	\$ -			
7	December	\$ 2.77	\$ 2.77	\$ -			
8	Simple Average (Jul, 2011 - Jun, 2012)	<u>\$ 2.44</u>	\$ <u>2.52</u>	-3.4% \$ (0.09)			
9	Simple Average (Oct, 2011 - Sep, 2012)	, \$ 2.20	\$ 2.31	-4.5% \$ (0.10)			
10	2012 January	\$ 2.28	Recorded \$ 2.28	\$ -			
11	February	\$ 2.02	Projected \$ 2.02	\$ 0.01			
12	March	\$ 1.73	Forecast \$ 2.01	\$ (0.28)			
13	April	Recorded \$ 1.51	\$ 2.04	\$ (0.54)			
14	May	Projected \$ 1.86	\$ 2.04	\$ (0.18)			
15	June	Forecast \$ 2.04	∜ \$ 2.09	\$ (0.06)			
16	July	\$ 2.09	\$ 2.17	\$ (0.08)			
17	August	∦ \$ 2.15	\$ 2.22	\$ (0.07)			
18 19	September October	V \$ 2.21 \$ 2.34	\$ 2.27 \$ 2.36	\$ (0.06) \$ (0.02)			
20	November	\$ 2.34 \$ 2.70	\$ 2.36 \$ 2.65	\$ (0.02) \$ 0.04			
21	December	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.08	\$ (0.07)			
22	Simple Average (Jan, 2012 - Dec, 2012)	\$ 2.16	\$ 2.27	-4.8% \$ (0.11)			
				 			
23	Simple Average (Apr, 2012 - Mar, 2013)	\$ 2.43	\$ 2.52	-3.8% <u>\$ (0.10)</u>			
24	Simple Average (Jul, 2012 - Jun, 2013)	\$ 2.72	\$ 2.77	-1.8% <u>\$ (0.05)</u>			
25	Simple Average (Oct, 2012 - Sep, 2013)	<u>\$ 2.95</u>	<u>\$ 3.00</u>	-1.9% <u>\$ (0.06)</u>			
26	2013 January	\$ 3.08	\$ 3.13	\$ (0.05)			
27	February	\$ 3.08	\$ 3.13	\$ (0.05)			
28	March	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.10	\$ (0.04)			
29	April	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.03	\$ (0.05)			
30 31	May June	\$ 2.97 \$ 2.99	\$ 3.04 \$ 3.07	\$ (0.07) \$ (0.08)			
32	July	\$ 2.99	\$ 3.07	\$ (0.00)			
33	August	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.15	\$ (0.09)			
34	September	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.16	\$ (0.10)			
35	October	\$ 3.11	\$ 3.19	\$ (0.08)			
36	November	\$ 3.25	\$ 3.35	\$ (0.09)			
37	December	\$ 3.53	\$ 3.58	\$ (0.05)			
38	Simple Average (Jan, 2013 - Dec, 2013)	\$ 3.10	\$ 3.17	-2.3% \$ (0.07)			
39	Simple Average (Apr, 2013 - Mar, 2014)	\$ 3.21	\$ 3.30	-2.7% \$ (0.09)			
40	Simple Average (Jul, 2013 - Jun, 2014)	\$ 3.30	<u> </u>	2 / υ (0.00)			
41		\$ 3.56	\$ 3.65	\$ (0.09)			
41	2014 January February	\$ 3.50 \$ 3.50	\$ 3.65	\$ (0.09)			
43	March	\$ 3.30	\$ 3.58	\$ (0.13)			
44	April	\$ 3.35	ψ 5.50	ψ (0.13)			
45	May	\$ 3.35					
46	June	\$ 3.39					
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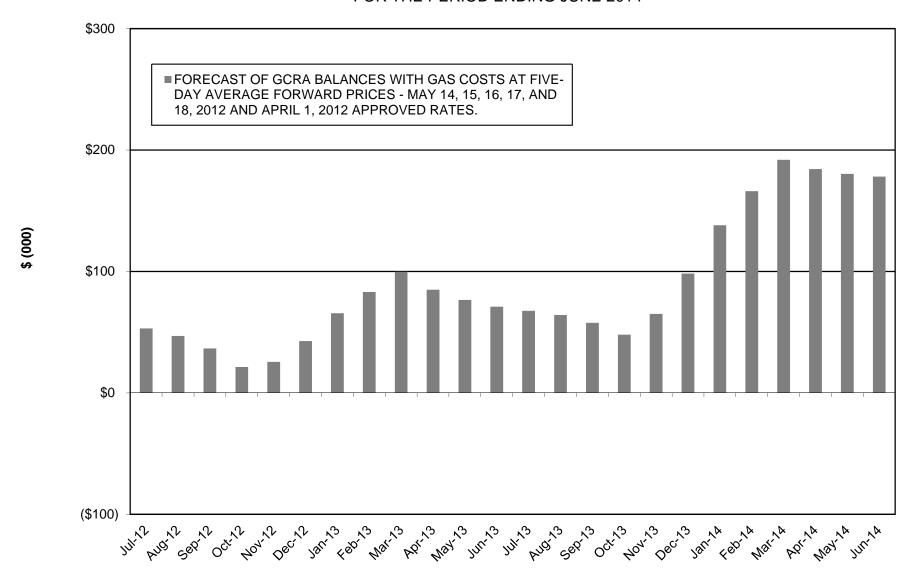
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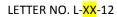
FORTISBC ENERGY INC. - FORT NELSON SERVICE AREA GCRA AFTER TAX BALANCES (\$000) FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2014 WITH EXISTING APRIL 1, 2012 GAS COST RECOVERY RATES

Line No.	F	Particulars (1)	2012 Q2 Gas Co April 1, 2012 Five-day Average Forw 14, 15, 16, 17, an (2)	Rates ard P	s rices - May	2012 Q1 Gas Cost Report April 1, 2012 Rates Five-day Average Forward Prices - February 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, 2012 (3)						
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	2012	Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr Mov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr Mov Dec Jan Feb Mov Dec Jan Feb Mov Dec Jan Feb Mov Dec Jon Dec Doct Nov Dec	Adjusted Projected	*************************	33.2 (A) 6.7 (A) (13.4) (A) (24.8) (A) 34.4 (A) 48.2 (A) 39.7 (A) 47.8 (A) 61.6 (A) 82.9 (A) 67.9 59.3 53.1 46.9 36.6 21.4 25.5 42.6 65.6 83.1 99.7 84.9 76.6 71.0 67.6 64.1 57.7 47.9 65.1 98.2	Adjusted Projected	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	33.2 (A) 6.7 (A) (13.4) (A) (24.8) (A) 34.4 (A) 48.2 (A) 39.7 (A) 22.3 10.8 (13.9) (28.0) (37.5) (43.7) (49.8) (60.0) (75.7) (74.5) (56.4) (33.3) (16.0) 0.2 (14.3) (22.2) (27.4) (30.2) (33.2) (38.6) (47.3) (26.8) 8.8				
31 32 33 34 35 36	2014	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun		\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	138.0 166.0 191.9 184.3 180.3 178.1		\$ \$ \$ \$	53.4 86.6 117.0				

Notes: (A) Includes volumetric adjustments to match accrued revenues to costs for gas volumes purchased.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. - FORT NELSON SERVICE AREA GCRA AFTER TAX BALANCES BY MONTH FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 2014







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June xx, 2012

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Dear Ms. Roy:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc.
Fort Nelson Service Area
2012 Second Quarter Gas Cost Report

Further to your June 7, 2012 filing of the 2012 Second Quarter Gas Cost Report (the Report) for the Fort Nelson Service Area. The Commission acknowledges receipt of the Report and accepts the recommendation that the gas cost recovery rates remain unchanged at July 1, 2012.

The Commission will hold confidential the information in Tab 2 of the Report.

Yours truly,

Erica M. Hamilton Commission Secretary