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**Via Email**  
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British Columbia Utilities Commission  
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Attention: Ms. Erica M. Hamilton, Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

**Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)**

**Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to Construct and Operate a Transmission Pressure Pipeline Crossing of the Muskwa River (the Application) for the Fort Nelson Service Area**

**Response to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or the Commission) Information Request (IR) No. 1 (Exhibit B-5)**

**Attachment 30.1, Addendum to the Response to BCUC IR 1.30.1**

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On November 29, 2013, FEI filed the Application as referenced above. On January 16, 2014, in accordance with Commission Order G-207-13 setting out the Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application, FEI submitted its response to BCUC IR No. 1.

In response to BCUC IR 1.30.1, FEI advised of the Fort Nelson First Nation's (FNFN) concern with respect to consultation logs. As an addendum to the response to BCUC IR 1.30.1, FEI provides Attachment 30.1, which is a letter from FNFN describing their concern with consultation logs generally, as well as confirming that the resultant consultation by FEI was deemed, by FNFN, to be sufficient.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

**FORTISBC ENERGY INC.**

***Original signed:***

Diane Roy

Attachment

cc (e-mail only): Registered Parties

## **Attachment 30.1**

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**Addendum January 22, 2014**



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**Attention: Bob Gibney**

Dear Mr. Gibney:

**Re: BCUC Request for Consultation Information Regarding Muskwa River Crossing Project**

Fort Nelson First Nation ("FNFN") understands that the BC Utilities Commission ("BCUC") has requested that FortisBC Energy Inc. ("Fortis") provide a record of its consultation efforts with FNFN regarding construction and operation of a Fortis transmission pipeline crossing of the Muskwa River (the "Project").

As you know, FNFN has already provided a letter dated January 8, 2013 (please note this letter is misdated, it should be dated 2014) to Fortis indicating our support for the horizontal directional drilling option for the Project and noting that we have no objection to the Project as currently proposed, due at least in part to Fortis' engagement with us in consultation on the Project.

FNFN policy at this time does not support the provision of "consultation logs" as a method of setting out consultation interactions between FNFN and proponents and/or the Crown regarding proposed developments affecting our territory, rights and interests. Our oft-repeated experience is that consultation logs are one-sided, contain many entries that simply do not constitute substantive consultation, and are prejudicial to FNFN's interests, among other things.

What FNFN is prepared to do in this instance is provide a summary of Fortis' relevant consultation efforts to augment our January 8, 201[4] letter of support for the Project as proposed, to support Fortis in its application to the BCUC, and to provide BCUC with sufficient information on Fortis' consultation efforts relating to the Project.

This summary is as follows:

Fortis engaged in consultation with the FNFN between February 2012 and January 2014 regarding the Project. This engagement consisted of meetings, teleconferences, emails, and correspondence. During consultation, Fortis provided information on the Project to FNFN. FNFN Lands & Resources Department's Director and Environmental Technician were engaged in this consultation. The resultant consultation was deemed, by FNFN, sufficient to enable FNFN to issue its January 8, 201[4] letter of support for the Project as proposed.

It is FNFN's view that this summary should suffice for BCUC's purposes of assessing the sufficiency of Fortis' consultation on the Project, given our earlier letter of support.

Sincerely,



Lana Lowe  
Lands & Resources Director  
Fort Nelson First Nation