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Via Email
Original via Mail

British Columbia Utilities Commission 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Attention: Ms. Erica M. Hamilton, Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)

**2015 System Extension Application (the Application)** 

**FEI Reply Submission on Further Process** 

Pursuant to the Regulatory Timetable established in the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the Commission) Order G-143-15 and Commission Letter Log No. 50563 (the Letter), the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre representing the British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization, Active Support Against Poverty, Disability Alliance BC, Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC, and the Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre *et al.* (BCOAPO), Pacific Northern Gas Ltd., B.C. Sustainable Energy Association and Sierra Club of British Columbia, Peace River Regional District Electoral Area B, Vancouver Island Economic Alliance and the Seabird Island Band have filed comments regarding further process to review the Application. FEI provides the following reply.

First, none of the parties that have provided comments have specifically requested a second round of Information Requests (IRs). Thus, FEI respectfully requests that the review process proceed without another round of IRs.

Second, the parties that have provided comments all indicated that a final determination can be achieved through a written submission or, a streamlined review process (SRP). Although



FEI believes that the existing evidentiary record is sufficient to proceed to a written submission phase, it does not object to a SRP as the next phase in the regulatory review process.

FEI notes that although BCOAPO agrees that an SRP is an appropriate process to address any outstanding evidentiary issues, BCOAPO further, "requests that any SRP provide for written submissions following the conclusion of the oral phase." FEI has no objection to the process suggested by BCOAPO in this regard.

If further information is required, please contact Brent Graham at 604-592-7857.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

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cc (email only): Registered Parties

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exhibit C3-4, page 1.