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<u>Via Email</u> Original via Mail

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

Attention: Ms. Erica M. Hamilton, Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI or the Company)

2015 Fourth Quarter Report on the Biomethane Variance Account (BVA) and Biomethane Energy Recovery Charge (BERC) (the 2015 Fourth Quarter BVA Report)

Pursuant to British Columbia Utilities Commission (the Commission) Order G-210-13 and the accompanying Decision dated December 11, 2013, on the Biomethane Service Offering: Post Implementation Report and Application for Approval of the Continuation and Modification of the Biomethane Program on a Permanent Basis (the Decision), the attached materials provide the 2015 Fourth Quarter BVA Report. By Order G-177-14 dated November 14, 2014, the Commission approved an increase in the BERC rate to a rate of \$14.414/gigajoule (GJ), effective January 1, 2015. As well, the Commission accepted on an interim basis, pending a review of FEI's BERC rate methodology proposal in 2015, the BERC rate change guidelines FEI proposed in its 2014 Fourth Quarter Report on the BVA and BERC (the Interim Guidelines).

Based on the biomethane gas supply cost assumptions (i.e. project in-service date, cost of service, and production volumes) and the forecast biomethane recoveries at the present BERC rate, the BVA balance before accounting for the value of the unsold biomethane quantities is projected to be approximately \$1,208 thousand deficit after tax at December 31, 2015 (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 14, Line 8).

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Further, the BVA balance at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2016, based on the existing BERC rate and after adjustment for the value of the unsold biomethane quantities is forecast to be approximately \$331 thousand deficit after tax (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 14, Line 11) and \$490 thousand deficit after tax (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 14, Line 24), respectively.

The monthly deferral account activity and balances for the BVA are shown on the schedules provided at Tab 1, Pages 1 and 2 – the schedule at Page 1 displays energy quantities, and the schedule at Page 2 displays dollar amounts. The schedule at Tab 1, Page 3 provides a breakdown of the monthly actual and forecast biomethane recoveries by rate class. The schedules at Tab 1, Pages 4.1C to 4.3C provide a breakdown of the monthly actual and forecast biomethane supply costs by project.

At Tab 1, Page 5 the Company provides a re-calculation of the BERC rate, based on an January 1, 2016 effective date. Based on the BVA cost and recovery assumptions for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2016, and the projected December 31, 2015 unsold biomethane quantity, the tested rate increase is calculated to be \$1.658/GJ (Tab 1, Page 5, Column 3, Line 25), indicating that change to the BERC rate is required at this time as per the Interim Guidelines¹.

Pursuant to Commission Order G-177-14, FEI filed a proposed rate methodology for the BERC on August 28, 2015. In the application FEI is seeking for approval of a BERC rate methodology based on the FEI natural gas Commodity Cost Recovery Charge with a pre-set premium. The application is currently going through the regulatory process. Therefore, FEI proposes no BERC rate change in this 2015 Fourth Quarter BVA Report. Pending the Commission decision on the BERC methodology application, FEI anticipates the BERC rate will be subject to resetting in early 2016. The estimated impact to the BVA of leaving the BERC rate unchanged at January 1, and based on the forecast sales of approximately 48.8 TJ for the period ending March 31, 2016, is approximately \$81 thousand on a pre-tax basis. The schedule at Tab 1, Page 6 provides the monthly biomethane inventory change since January 2014, as well as the age of biomethane inventory sold each month as determined on a first in, first out basis.

The Company requests the information contained in Tab 1 at Pages 4.1C, 4.2C, and 4.3C 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

¹ The guidelines and criteria for BERC rate changes comprised the following:

⁽i) Annual resetting of the BERC rate on an annual basis effective January 1st of a given year;

⁽ii) A threshold of \$1.00 per GJ that will trigger a rate reset. That is, if a Quarterly Report indicates a change greater than \$1.00 per GJ (plus or minus) is required, the BERC rate will be reset.

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that market sensitive information is protected, and FEI's ability to obtain favourable commercial terms for future gas contracting is not impaired.

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.

We trust the Commission will find the attached to be in order. However, should any further information be required, please contact Doug Richardson at 604-592-7643.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed by:

Diane Roy

Attachments

Tab 1 Page 1

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. SUMMARY OF BIOMETHANE VARIANCE ACCOUNT (BVA) QUANTITIES ACTUAL AND FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017

(Quantities shown in TJ)

Line														
No.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
1 2		Recorded Jan-15	Recorded Feb-15	Recorded Mar-15	Recorded Apr-15	Recorded May-15	Recorded Jun-15	Recorded Jul-15	Recorded Aug-15	Recorded Sep-15	Recorded Oct-15	Forecast Nov-15	Forecast Dec-15	Total 2015
3	Biomethane Available for Sale - Beginning	79.9	70.4	63.9	63.3	63.5	67.2	75.6	72.6	76.1	78.0	77.7	81.6	79.9
4 5	Purchases Sales	7.8 (17.3)	8.3 (14.8)	13.3 (13.9)	12.8 (12.7)	12.9 (9.2)	12.0 (3.6)	11.2 (14.3)	12.4 (8.8)	11.6 (9.7)	10.8 (11.1)	19.6 (15.7)	19.6 (18.9)	152.4 (150.1)
6	Biomethane Available for Sale - Ending	70.4	63.9	63.3	63.5	67.2	75.6	72.6	76.1	78.0	77.7	81.6	82.2	82.2 (2)
7 8 9		Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Total
10		Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	<u>Jul-16</u>	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	<u>2016</u>
11 12 13	Biomethane Available for Sale - Beginning Purchases Sales	82.2 21.3 (17.8)	85.6 22.7 (15.9)	92.5 24.3 (15.1)	101.6 25.0 (12.7)	114.0 26.3 (10.1)	130.1 27.0 (8.7)	148.4 27.3 (8.2)	167.5 27.3 (8.3)	186.5 27.0 (8.7)	204.8 29.8 (11.9)	222.7 29.5 (15.2)	237.0 29.8 (18.4)	82.2 317.2 (151.0)
14 15 16	Biomethane Available for Sale - Ending	85.6	92.5	101.6	114.0	130.1	148.4	167.5	186.5	204.8	222.7	237.0	248.3	248.3
17 18		Forecast Jan-17	Forecast Feb-17	Forecast Mar-17	Forecast Apr-17	Forecast May-17	Forecast Jun-17	Forecast Jul-17	Forecast Aug-17	Forecast Sep-17	Forecast Oct-17	Forecast Nov-17	Forecast Dec-17	Total 2017
20	Biomethane Available for Sale - Beginning Purchases	248.3 31.2	261.7 30.4	276.2 31.2	292.2 31.0	310.5 31.2	331.7 31.0	354.0 31.2	377.1 31.2	400.1 31.0	422.4 31.2	441.8 31.0	457.6 31.2	248.3 372.8
21 22	Sales Biomethane Available for Sale - Ending	(17.9) 261.7	(15.9) 276.2	(15.2) 292.2	(12.6) 310.5	(10.1) 331.7	(8.7) 354.0	(8.1) 377.1	(8.3) 400.1	(8.6) 422.4	(11.8) 441.8	(15.2) 457.6	(18.4) 470.4	(150.8) 470.4

Notes: (1) June sales were understated by 5.5 TJ, the correction was booked in July.

(2) Lower ending balance than previous forecasts due to less supply. Kelowna plant was closed for maintenance; and Fraser Valley Biogas did not supply at maximum level.

Slight differences in totals due to rounding.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

SUMMARY OF BVA BALANCES AT EXISTING BIOMETHANE ENERGY RECOVERY CHARGE (BERC) ACTUAL AND FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017

(Amounts shown in \$000)

No. Column Colu	Line															
Note Part	No.	(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
Note Part	1		Re	stated (1)	Adjusted (2) Adjusted	(2) Adjusted	(2) Adjusted (3)	²⁾ Adjusted ^{(2) (3}	Becorded	I Recorded	Recorded	Recorded	Forecast	Forecast	Total
March Marc	•								•							
Coasis Incurred Signature		BVA Balance - Beginning (Pre-tax)	\$	1,390	\$ 1,272	\$ 1,19			\$ 1,500	\$ 1,729				\$ 1,794		
State Stat	4	9 9,	\$	133								\$ 152			\$ 169	
Name	5	Revenue from Existing BERC Rate	\$	(250)	\$ (212	\$ (200	0) \$ (183	3) \$ (133) \$ (52) \$ (206) \$ (127)	\$ (140)	\$ (160)	\$ (227)	\$ (273)	\$(2,163)
Second Part	6	BVA Balance - Ending (Pre-tax)	\$	1,272	\$ 1,193	\$ 1,269	9 \$ 1,299	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,654	\$ 1,763	\$ 1,775	\$ 1,794	\$ 1,736	\$ 1,632	\$ 1,632
Second Part	7															
	8	BVA Balance - Ending (After Tax)	\$	942	\$ 883	\$ 939	9 \$ 961	\$ 1,110	\$ 1,280	\$ 1,224	\$ 1,305	\$ 1,314	\$ 1,328	\$ 1,284	\$ 1,208	\$ 1,208
Adjusted BVA Balance - Ending (After Tax) Forecast	9															
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State Stat		BVA Balance - Ending (Pre-tax)	\$	1,/04	\$ 1,823	\$ 1,998	3 \$ 2,193	3 \$ 2,440	\$ 2,/14	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,284	\$ 3,583	\$ 3,849	\$ 4,066	\$ 4,242	\$ 4,242
Adjustment for Value of Unsold Biomethane at Existing BERC Rate (After Tax) (4)		DVA Dalamas Ending (After Tax)	Φ.	1.001	Ф 1 04O	Ф 1.47	n	h 1 000	ф 0.000	Φ 0.000	r 0.400	Φ O CE1	r 0.040	Ф 0.000	Ф 0.100	Ф O 100
Adjustment for Value of Unsold Biomethane at Existing BERC Rate (*First)** \$\frac{1}{2}(6.9)\$ \$\frac{1}{2}(6		BVA Balance - Ending (Aπer Tax)	\$	1,261	\$ 1,349	\$ 1,47	9 \$ 1,623	3 \$ 1,806	\$ 2,008	\$ 2,220	\$ 2,430	\$ 2,651	\$ 2,849	\$ 3,009	\$ 3,139	\$ 3,139
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35 36 Adjustment for Value of Unsold Biomethane at Existing BERC Rate (After Tax) (4) 35 (5,018)		BVA Balance - Ending (After Tax)	\$	3,303	\$ 3,478	\$ 3,690	3,907	\$ 4,154	\$ 4,414	\$ 4,682	\$ 4,949	\$ 5,227	\$ 5,456	\$ 5,648	\$ 5,810	\$ 5,810
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37 Adjusted BVA Balance - Ending (After Tax) \$ 792	36	Adjustment for Value of Unsold Biomethane at Exist	ting BER	C Rate (A	fter Tax) (4)											\$(5,018)
	37	Adjusted BVA Balance - Ending (After Tax)														\$ 792

Notes: (1) January 1, 2015 opening deferral balance was restated to reverse an adjustment error identified in the Response to the BCUC IR No. 1 on the 2015 Second Quarter Report on the BVA and BERC filed on June 5, 2015 (Attachment 2.1).

Slight differences in totals due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ The monthly costs for January - March were incorrectly recorded and an adjusting entry booked in April to correct the costs on a year to date basis. The adjusted monthly costs are used for the purpose of this quarterly report

⁽³⁾ June sales were understated by 5.5 TJ, the correction was booked in July.

⁽⁴⁾ Adjustment calculated based on quantity of Biomethane Available For Sale (Tab 1, Page 1) at the effective BERC Rate.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. COST RECOVERY BY RATE CLASS FOR BIOMETHANE ACTUAL AND FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017

Line 1 2 3 4 5 6	Particulars Sales (GJ) Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales	Recorded <u>Jan 15</u> 8,346 1,301 7,646 17,293	Recorded <u>Feb 15</u> 6,089 1,776 6,932 14,797	Recorded <u>Mar 15</u> 5,265 1,115 7,501 13,881	Recorded <u>Apr 15</u> 4,442 875 7,361 12,678	Recorded <u>May 15</u> 2,122 436 6,677 9,235	Recorded <u>Jun 15</u> 1,582 476 1,519 3,577	Recorded <u>Jul 15</u> 1,393 358 12,562 14,313	Recorded <u>Aug 15</u> 1,389 343 7,106 8,838	Recorded <u>Sep 15</u> 2,240 431 7,046 9,717	Recorded <u>Oct 15</u> 3,450 559 7,067 11,076	Forecast Nov 15 7,983 1,350 6,408 15,741	Forecast <u>Dec 15</u> 10,618 1,903 6,408 18,929	Total 2015 54,919 10,923 84,233 150,075
7	Effective Rate (1)	\$ 14.481	\$ 14.336	\$ 14.415	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.411	\$ 14.405	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.413	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	
8 9	Cost Recovered													
10	Residential	\$ 120,319	\$ 87,773	\$ 75,880	\$ 64,022	\$ 30,565	\$ 22,794	\$ 20,067	\$ 20,014	\$ 32,282	\$ 49,724	\$115,067	\$153,048	\$ 791,555
11	Commercial	18,761	25,587	16,100	12,606	6,290	6,857	5,157	4,935	6,219	8,056	19,459	27,430	157,459
12	On/Off System & Other	111,339	98,767	108,117	106,106	96,235	21,876	181,088	102,429	101,555	101,867	92,365	92,365	1,214,108
13 14	Total Recovered	\$ 250,420	\$ 212,128	\$ 200,097	\$ 182,734	\$133,090	\$ 51,526	\$206,312	\$127,378	\$140,057	\$159,647	\$226,891	\$272,843	\$2,163,122
15														
16														
17		Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Total
18	Sales (GJ)	<u>Jan 16</u>	Feb 16	Mar 16	<u> Apr 16</u>	May 16	<u>Jun 16</u>	<u>Jul 16</u>	Aug 16	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	<u>Dec 16</u>	<u>2016</u>
19	Residential	10,272	8,584	7,923	5,784	3,593	2,407	1,946	2,073	2,375	5,132	8,133	10,840	69,062
20	Commercial	1,729	1,454	1,376	1,033	692	489	395	415	474	892	1,273	1,709	11,931
21	On/Off System & Other	5,838 17,839	5,838 15,876	5,838 15,137	5,838 12,655	5,838 10,123	5,838 8,734	5,838 8,179	5,838 8,326	5,838 8,687	5,838 11,862	5,838 15,244	5,838 18,387	70,056 151,049
22 23	Total Sales	17,039	15,676	15,137	12,000	10,123	0,734	0,179	0,320	0,007	11,002	15,244	10,307	151,049
24	Effective Rate	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	\$ 14.414	
25														
26	Cost Recovered													
27	Residential	\$ 148,061	\$ 123,730	* , -	\$ 83,371	\$ 51,790	\$ 34,694	\$ 28,050	\$ 29,880	\$ 34,233	\$ 73,973	\$117,229	\$156,248	\$ 995,460
28 29	Commercial	24,922 84.149	20,958 84,149	19,834 84,149	14,890 84,149	9,974 84,149	7,048 84,149	5,694 84,149	5,982 84,149	6,832 84,149	12,857 84,149	18,349 84,149	24,634 84,149	171,973 1,009,787
30	On/Off System & Other Total Recovered	\$ 257,131			04,149	04,149	04,149		04,149	04,145	04,149	04,149	04,149	1,009,767
31	Total Necovered		\$ 228 837	¢ 218 185	\$ 182.409	\$1/5 913	\$125,892		\$120.011	\$125 214	\$170.979	\$219 727	\$ 265,030	\$ 2 177 22N
32		ψ 257,151	\$ 228,837	<u>\$ 218,185</u>	\$ 182,409	\$145,913	\$125,892	\$117,892	\$120,011	\$125,214	\$170,979	\$219,727	\$265,030	\$2,177,220
		ψ 237,131	\$ 228,837	\$ 218,185	\$ 182,409	\$145,913	\$125,892		\$120,011	\$125,214	\$170,979	\$219,727	\$265,030	\$2,177,220
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33 34		Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	\$145,913 Forecast	Forecast	\$117,892 Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Total
33 34 35	Sales (GJ)	Forecast Jan 17	Forecast Feb 17	Forecast Mar 17	Forecast Apr 17	Forecast May 17	Forecast Jun 17	\$117,892 Forecast Jul 17	Forecast Aug 17	Forecast Sep 17	Forecast Oct 17	Forecast Nov 17	Forecast Dec 17	Total 2017
33 34 35 36	Residential	Forecast <u>Jan 17</u> 10,473	Forecast <u>Feb 17</u> 8,742	Forecast <u>Mar 17</u> 8,060	Forecast <u>Apr 17</u> 5,878	Forecast May 17 3,648	Forecast Jun 17 2,441	\$117,892 Forecast Jul 17 1,972	Forecast Aug 17 2,097	Forecast Sep 17 2,401	Forecast Oct 17 5,184	Forecast Nov 17 8,209	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919	Total 2017 70,024
33 34 35 36 37	Residential Commercial	Forecast <u>Jan 17</u> 10,473 1,684	Forecast <u>Feb 17</u> 8,742 1,412	Forecast <u>Mar 17</u> 8,060 1,337	Forecast <u>Apr 17</u> 5,878 1,005	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468	\$117,892 Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381	Forecast <u>Aug 17</u> 2,097 404	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461	Forecast <u>Oct 17</u> 5,184 873	Forecast <u>Nov 17</u> 8,209 1,251	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690	Total 2017 70,024 11,630
33 34 35 36 37 38	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other	Forecast <u>Jan 17</u> 10,473 1,684 5,760	Forecast <u>Feb 17</u> 8,742 1,412 5,760	Forecast <u>Mar 17</u> 8,060 1,337 5,760	Forecast <u>Apr 17</u> 5,878 1,005 5,760	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664 5,760	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468 5,760	\$117,892 Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381 5,760	Forecast <u>Aug 17</u> 2,097 404 5,760	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461 5,760	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 5,760	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120
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33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales	Forecast <u>Jan 17</u> 10,473 1,684 5,760 17,917	Forecast <u>Feb 17</u> 8,742 1,412 5,760 15,914	Forecast <u>Mar 17</u> 8,060 1,337 5,760 15,157	Forecast <u>Apr 17</u> 5,878 1,005 5,760 12,643	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664 5,760 10,072	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468 5,760 8,669	\$117,892 Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381 5,760 8,113	Forecast <u>Aug 17</u> 2,097 404 5,760 8,261	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461 5,760 8,622	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760 11,817	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760 15,220	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 5,760 18,369	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120
33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales Effective Rate Cost Recovered	Forecast <u>Jan 17</u> 10,473 1,684 5,760 17,917 \$ 14.414	Forecast Feb 17 8,742 1,412 5,760 15,914 \$ 14.414	Forecast Mar 17 8,060 1,337 5,760 15,157 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Apr 17</u> 5,878 1,005 5,760 12,643	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664 5,760 10,072 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468 5,760 8,669 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Jul 17</u> 1,972 381 5,760 8,113 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Aug 17</u> 2,097 404 5,760 8,261 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461 5,760 8,622 \$ 14.414	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760 11,817 \$ 14.414	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760 15,220 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 5,760 18,369 \$ 14.414	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120 150,774
33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales Effective Rate Cost Recovered Residential	Forecast Jan 17 10,473 1,684 5,760 17,917 \$ 14.414	Forecast Feb 17 8,742 1,412 5,760 15,914 \$ 14.414	Forecast Mar 17 8,060 1,337 5,760 15,157 \$ 14.414	Forecast Apr 17 5,878 1,005 5,760 12,643 \$ 14.414 \$ 84,725	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664 5,760 10,072 \$ 14.414 \$ 52,582	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468 5,760 8,669 \$ 14.414 \$ 35,185	Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381 5,760 8,113 \$ 14.414 \$ 28,424	Forecast Aug 17 2,097 404 5,760 8,261 \$ 14.414 \$ 30,226	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461 5,760 8,622 \$ 14.414 \$ 34,608	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760 11,817 \$ 14.414	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760 15,220 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 5,760 18,369 \$ 14.414	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120 150,774
33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales Effective Rate Cost Recovered Residential Commercial	Forecast Jan 17 10,473 1,684 5,760 17,917 \$ 14.414 \$ 150,958 24,273	Forecast Feb 17 8,742 1,412 5,760 15,914 \$ 14.414 \$ 126,007 20,353	Forecast Mar 17 8,060 1,337 5,760 15,157 \$ 14.414 \$ 116,177 19,272	Forecast Apr 17 5,878 1,005 5,760 12,643 \$ 14.414 \$ 84,725 14,486	Forecast May 17 3,648 664 5,760 10,072 \$ 14.414 \$ 52,582 9,571	Forecast Jun 17 2,441 468 5,760 8,669 \$ 14.414 \$ 35,185 6,746	Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381 5,760 8,113 \$ 14.414 \$ 28,424 5,492	Forecast <u>Aug 17</u> 2,097 404 <u>5,760</u> <u>8,261</u> \$ 14.414 \$ 30,226 5,823	Forecast Sep 17 2,401 461 5,760 8,622 \$ 14.414 \$ 34,608 6,645	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760 11,817 \$ 14.414 \$ 74,722 12,583	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760 15,220 \$ 14.414 \$118,325 18,032	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 <u>5,760</u> 18,369 \$ 14.414 \$157,386 24,360	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120 150,774 \$1,009,326 167,635
33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	Residential Commercial On/Off System & Other Total Sales Effective Rate Cost Recovered Residential	Forecast Jan 17 10,473 1,684 5,760 17,917 \$ 14.414	Forecast Feb 17 8,742 1,412 5,760 15,914 \$ 14.414	Forecast Mar 17 8,060 1,337 5,760 15,157 \$ 14.414	Forecast Apr 17 5,878 1,005 5,760 12,643 \$ 14.414 \$ 84,725	Forecast <u>May 17</u> 3,648 664 5,760 10,072 \$ 14.414 \$ 52,582	Forecast <u>Jun 17</u> 2,441 468 5,760 8,669 \$ 14.414 \$ 35,185	Forecast Jul 17 1,972 381 5,760 8,113 \$ 14.414 \$ 28,424	Forecast Aug 17 2,097 404 5,760 8,261 \$ 14.414 \$ 30,226	Forecast <u>Sep 17</u> 2,401 461 5,760 8,622 \$ 14.414 \$ 34,608	Forecast Oct 17 5,184 873 5,760 11,817 \$ 14.414	Forecast Nov 17 8,209 1,251 5,760 15,220 \$ 14.414	Forecast <u>Dec 17</u> 10,919 1,690 5,760 18,369 \$ 14.414	Total 2017 70,024 11,630 69,120 150,774

Notes: (1) Effective recovery rate in January, February and June were different from tariff, due to errors in January and June, which was/will be corrected in February and July. Slight difference in March - May due to rounding.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. INCURRED COSTS FOR BIOMETHANE ACTUAL AND FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015

Line	Particulars	Adjusted	(1)	Adjusted (1)	Adjusted (1)	Adjusted (1)	Adjusted (1)	Adjusted (1)	Recorded	Recorded	Recorded	Recorded	Forecast	Forecast	Total
		Jan 15	<u> </u>	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15	<u>Jun 15</u>	Jul 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	<u>2015</u>
1	All Supply Projects														
2	Total Purchases (GJ)	7,81	2	8,309	13,269	12,835	12,932	12,049	11,224	12,373	11,627	10,795	19,574	19,574	152,373
3	Biogas / Biomethane Purchase Costs	\$ 94,11	3	\$ 95,868	\$ 163,529	\$ 161,505	\$ 161,568	\$ 130,152	\$135,034	\$150,925	\$163,789	\$146,239	\$197,586	\$198,273	\$1,798,581
4															
5	Salmon Arm Cost of Service														
6	Cost of Service before O&M	\$ 23,72	21	\$ 15,784	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 19,753	\$ 7,867	\$ 7,867	\$ 213,261
7	O&M Costs	3,61	15	3,700	73,564	931	43,520	21,088	3,980	34,091	40,726	26,549	2,930	2,930	257,624
8	Total	\$ 27,33	36	\$ 19,484	\$ 93,317	\$ 20,684	\$ 63,272	\$ 40,841	\$ 23,732	\$ 53,844	\$ 60,479	\$ 46,302	\$ 10,797	\$ 10,797	\$ 470,885
9															
10	Kelowna Cost of Service														
11	Cost of Service before O&M (2)							\$ -	\$ (68,447)	\$ (68,447)	\$ (68,447)	\$ (68,447)	\$ (68,447)	\$ (68,447)	\$ (410,680)
12	O&M Costs (3)							43,843	5,000	22,153	28,511	31,820	15,571	15,571	162,470
13	Total							\$ 43,843	\$ (63,447)	\$ (46,293)	\$ (39,935)	\$ (36,626)	\$ (52,875)	\$ (52,875)	\$ (248,210)
14															
15	General Admin. Costs (4)	\$ 11,44	14	\$ 16,887	\$ 19,798	\$ 30,247	\$ 109,357	\$ 65,814	\$ 36,019	\$ 77,986	\$ (32,304)	\$ 22,506	\$ 13,100	\$ 13,100	\$ 383,954
16															
17															
18															
19															
20	Total Cost	\$ 132,89	93	\$ 132,240	\$ 276,644	<u>\$ 212,435</u>	\$ 334,197	\$ 280,650	<u>\$131,339</u>	\$236,462	\$152,029	<u>\$178,420</u>	\$168,608	<u>\$169,295</u>	\$2,405,211

Notes: (1) Monthly costs are adjusted to more appropriately reflect costs in each period.

⁽²⁾ Consistent with the Cost of Service model, Cost of Service charges commence the month following the in-service date.

⁽³⁾ No O&M costs forecast in July due to unplanned equipment failure.

⁽⁴⁾ Approximately \$163K (after tax, as of June 30, 2015) costs related to the City of Vancouver project development was excluded.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. INCURRED COSTS FOR BIOMETHANE FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016

Line	Particulars	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Total
		<u>Jan 16</u>	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	<u>Jun 16</u>	<u>Jul 16</u>	Aug 16	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	<u>2016</u>
1	All Supply Projects													
2	Total Purchases (GJ)	21,278	22,730	24,278	25,004	26,278	27,004	27,278	27,278	27,004	29,778	29,504	29,778	317,196
3	Biogas / Biomethane Purchase Costs	\$210,670	\$228,584	\$249,670	\$258,627	\$274,164	\$280,847	\$285,164	\$285,164	\$280,847	\$318,664	\$317,707	\$322,080	\$3,312,191
4														
5	Salmon Arm Cost of Service													
6	Cost of Service before O&M	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 23,577	\$ 282,926
7	O&M Costs	6,250	6,250	31,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	31,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	125,000
8	Total	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 54,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 54,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 29,827	\$ 407,926
9														
10	Kelowna Cost of Service													
11	Cost of Service before O&M	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 35,816	\$ 429,796
12	O&M Costs	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500	306,000
13	Total	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 61,316	\$ 735,796
14														
15	General Admin. Costs	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 27,600	\$ 331,200
16														
17														
18														
19														
20	Total Cost	\$329,414	\$347,328	\$393,414	\$377,371	\$392,908	\$399,591	\$403,908	\$403,908	\$424,591	\$437,408	\$436,451	\$440,823	\$4,787,112

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. INCURRED COSTS FOR BIOMETHANE FORECAST ACTIVITY ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017

Line	Particulars	Forecast Jan 17	Forecast Feb 17	Forecast Mar 17	Forecast Apr 17	Forecast May 17	Forecast Jun 17	Forecast Jul 17	Forecast Aug 17	Forecast Sep 17	Forecast Oct 17	Forecast Nov 17	Forecast Dec 17	Total 2017
1	All Supply Projects	<u> </u>	1 00 17	11100 11	/ (D//	<u></u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	7 tag 17	<u>000</u>	<u> </u>	1101 11	<u> 200</u>	
2	Total Purchases (GJ) (1)	31,230	30,408	31,230	30,956	31,230	30,956	31,230	31,230	30,956	31,230	30,956	31,230	372,845
3	Biogas / Biomethane Purchase Costs	\$335,368	\$322,252	\$335,368	\$330,996	\$335,368	\$330,996	\$335,368	\$335,368	\$330,996	\$335,368	\$334,891	\$339,319	\$4,001,661
4														
5	Salmon Arm Cost of Service													
6	Cost of Service before O&M	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 27,705	\$ 332,454
7	O&M Costs	6,250	6,250	31,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	31,250	6,250	6,250	6,250	125,000
8	Total	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 58,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 58,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 33,955	\$ 457,454
9														
10	Kelowna Cost of Service													
11	Cost of Service before O&M	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 56,182	\$ 674,183
12	O&M Costs	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	312,000
13	Total	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 82,182	\$ 986,183
14														
15	General Admin. Costs	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 28,100	\$ 337,200
16														
17														
18	·													
19														
20	Total Cost	\$479,605	\$466,488	\$504,605	\$475,233	\$479,605	\$475,233	\$479,605	\$479,605	\$500,233	\$479,605	\$479,127	\$483,555	\$5,782,498

Notes: (1) Total purchases include approved projects only. Therefore, forecast purchases from City of Surrey and City of Vancouver included in the BERC Methodology Application are excluded in the report.

FORTISBC ENERGY INC. BVA AND BERC REVIEW

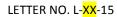
FOR THE FORECAST 12-MONTH PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016

(Amounts shown pre-tax unless otherwise indicated)

Line				
No.	Particulars	\$000	TJ	Notes
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Forecast BVA Balance - Deficit at December 31, 2015			
2	Cost (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 14, Row 6)	\$ 1,632.1		
3	Quantity (Tab 1, Page 1, Column 14, Row 6)		82.2	Unsold Quantity
4				
5	Forecast Costs Incurred in the 12-Month Period			
6	Cost (Tab 1, Page 2, Column 14, Row 17)	\$ 4,787.1		
7	Quantity (Tab 1, Page 1, Column 14, Row 12)		317.2	Purchase Quantity
8				
9	Biomethane Available for Sale in the 12-Month Period			
10	Total Cost to be Recovered	\$ 6,419.2		
11	Total Quantity		399.4	
12				
13				
14				
15	Calculation of Tested BERC Effective January 1, 2016			
16				
17				
18	Tested _ Cost of Biomethane Available for Sale in the 12-Month Period	$= \frac{\$ 6,419.2}{399.4}$	= \$ 16.072	per Gigajoule
19	BERC = Quantity of Biomethane Available for Sale in the 12-Month Period	399.4	- ψ 101012	por angajouro
20				
21				
22	Existing BERC (effective January 1, 2015)		\$ 14.414	per Gigajoule
23				
24				
25	Tested Rate Increase (Decrease)		\$ 1.658	per Gigajoule

		Monthly	Activity		Cur	nulative Quantiti	ities		
Date	Beginning Balance	Quantity Purchased	Quantity Sold ^(A)	Ending Balance	Biomethane Purchases	Biomethane Sales	Age of Inventory Sold		
	(in TJ)	(in TJ)	(in TJ)	(in TJ)	(in TJ)	(in TJ)	(Month)		
Jan-14	99.01	5.77	(11.98)	92.79	207.81	(115.02)	11		
Feb-14	92.79	7.71	(13.26)	87.24	215.52	(128.28)	11		
Mar-14	87.24	8.75	(11.07)	84.93	224.27	(139.34)	10		
Apr-14	84.93	9.68	(7.58)	87.03	233.95	(146.92)	10		
May-14	87.03	10.09	(5.08)	92.04	244.05	(152.00)	10		
Jun-14	92.04	8.32	(4.38)	95.99	252.37	(156.38)	11		
Jul-14	95.99	8.69	(4.01)	100.67	261.06	(160.39)	11		
Aug-14	100.67	9.24	(9.80)	100.11	270.30	(170.19)	11		
Sep-14	100.11	9.85	(10.26)	99.70	280.15	(180.45)	11		
Oct-14	99.70	9.18	(11.31)	97.58	289.34	(191.76)	11		
Nov-14	97.58	8.01	(16.59)	89.00	297.35	(208.35)	9		
Dec-14	89.00	8.67	(17.75)	79.91	306.02	(226.10)	8		
Jan-15	79.91	7.81	(17.29)	70.43	313.83	(243.40)	8		
Feb-15	70.43	8.31	(14.80)	63.94	322.14	(258.19)	7		
Mar-15	63.94	13.27	(13.88)	63.33	335.41	(272.08)	6		
Apr-15	63.33	12.84	(12.68)	63.49	348.24	(284.75)	5		
May-15	63.49	12.93	(9.24)	67.19	361.17	(293.99)	5		
Jun-15	67.19	12.05	(3.58)	75.66	373.22	(297.57)	5		
Jul-15	75.66	11.22	(14.31)	72.57	384.45	(311.88)	5		
Aug-15	72.57	12.37	(8.84)	76.10	396.82	(320.72)	6		
Sep-15	76.10	11.63	(9.72)	78.01	408.45	(330.43)	6		
Oct-15	78.01	10.80	(11.08)	77.73	419.24	(341.51)	6		

⁽A) Including any adjustments reported within the schedule at Page 1 of this report. June 2015 sales quantity was understated by 5.5 TJ.





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DRAFT ORDER

VIA E-MAIL November xx, 2015

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Ms. Diane Roy Director, Regulatory Services FortisBC Energy Inc. 16705 Fraser Highway Surrey, BC V4N 0E8

Dear Ms. Roy:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc.

Biomethane Variance Account (BVA) and Biomethane Energy Recovery Charge (BERC)

2015 Fourth Quarter Report

Further to your November 13, 2015, filing of the 2015 Fourth Quarter Report on the BVA and BERC (the Report). The Commission acknowledges receipt of the Report and accepts the recommendation that the BERC rate remain unchanged at January 1, 2016.

The Commission will hold confidential the information in Tab 1, Page 4.1C, 4.2C, and 4.3C of the Report.

Yours truly,

Erica M. Hamilton Commission Secretary