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Via Email
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British Columbia Utilities Commission
6th Floor, 900 Howe Street
Vancouver, BC
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Attention: Ms. Erica M. Hamilton, Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)

Application for its Common Equity Component and Return on Equity (ROE) for 2016 (the Application)

FEI Submission on Interim Order

FEI writes in response to Exhibit A-5, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) Letter dated November 30, 2015.

FEI's position is that using a benchmark continues to be appropriate, and that FEI continues to be the logical choice as a benchmark utility for the reasons set out in Exhibit B-1 at page 34. However, the specific questions posed by the Commission really only impact utilities that establish rates referencing the benchmark utility. As FEI's own cost of capital is unaffected by the questions, FEI will reserve comment at this time. FortisBC Inc. (FBC), being a utility whose cost of capital is set using the benchmark utility, is filing a separate letter on its own behalf.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed:

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cc (email only): Registered Parties