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Sent via email Letter L-5-18

Ms. Diane Roy Vice President, Regulatory Affairs FortisBC Energy Inc. 16705 Fraser Highway Surrey, BC V4N 0E8 gas.regulatory.affairs@fortisbc.com

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Mainland, Vancouver Island and Whistler Service Areas – 2018 First Quarter Gas Cost Report

Dear Ms. Roy:

On March 7, 2018, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) its 2018 First Quarter Gas Cost Report for the Mainland, Vancouver Island, and Whistler service areas (Report), which includes details regarding the Commodity Cost Reconciliation Account and the related Commodity Cost Recovery Charge.

The Commission notes that the Commodity Cost Recovery Charge for the Mainland, Vancouver Island, and Whistler service areas was last changed effective January 1, 2018, when it was decreased by \$0.501 per gigajoule from \$2.050 per gigajoule to \$1.549 per gigajoule via Order G-173-17.

The Commission reviewed the Report within the context of the quarterly gas costs review and rate setting mechanism guidelines pursuant to Letters L-5-01, L-40-11 and L-15-16. The Commission acknowledges receipt of the Report and accepts FEI's recommendation that the Commodity Cost Recovery Charge for the Mainland, Vancouver Island, and Whistler service areas remain unchanged at \$1.549 per gigajoule effective April 1, 2018.

Sincerely,

Patrick Wruck

**Commission Secretary** 

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