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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER** G-52-04

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**IN THE MATTER OF  
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473  
and**

**An Application by FortisBC Inc.  
[formerly known as Aquila Networks Canada (British Columbia) Ltd.]  
for Approval of a Bypass Rate Agreement**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner ) June 3, 2004  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner )

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On May 5, 2001, the Commission received an Application from Aquila Networks Canada (British Columbia) Ltd. ("Aquila") for approval of a Bypass Rate Agreement (the "Agreement") with Pope and Talbot Ltd. ("Pope and Talbot"); and
- B. The Agreement between Aquila and Pope and Talbot is to be effective May 31, 2003 and extend for a period of 20 years; and
- C. Pursuant to the Agreement, Pope and Talbot will be transferred to Aquila Rate Schedule 31 which normally applies at transmission voltage, and will pay a monthly Bypass Rate Rider of \$3,847.00 per month, subject to a consumer price escalation clause; and
- D. Information provided by Aquila and Pope and Talbot indicates that the Bypass Rate is based upon a reasonable estimate of the cost of bypass for Pope and Talbot; and
- E. On June 1, 2004, Aquila changed its name to FortisBC Inc.; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that it should be approved.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission approves for FortisBC Inc., effective May 31, 2003, its May 5, 2004 Bypass Rate Agreement with Pope and Talbot as Tariff Supplement No. 8.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2004.

**BY ORDER**

*Original signed by:*

L. F. Kelsey  
Commissioner