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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER F-9-06**

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

**and**

**Applications for Participant Assistance Cost Awards  
Regarding the FortisBC Inc. 2006 Revenue Requirements Application  
and Multi-Year Performance Based Regulation Mechanism**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner  
L.A. O'Hara, Commissioner June 30, 2006

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On May 19, 2006, the Commission by Order No. G-58-06 issued its approval to the Negotiated Settlement Document ("NSP") on FortisBC Inc.'s ("FortisBC") 2006 Revenue Requirements Application and Multi-Year Performance Based Regulation Mechanism; and
- B. On May 26, 2006, Mr. Alan Wait applied for a cost award for his participation in the proceeding; and
- C. On June 14, 2006, the Commercial Energy Consumers ("CEC") submitted a bill of costs for its participation in the proceeding; and
- D. On May 23, 2006, Mr. Richard Tarnoff, on behalf of Natural Resource Industries ("NRI") applied for a cost award for his participation in the proceeding; and
- E. On June 16, 2006, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre ("BCPIAC") submitted a bill of costs on behalf of the BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization ("BCOAPO") for its participation in the proceeding; and
- F. On June 26, 2006, the Interior Municipal Electrical Utilities ("IMEU") submitted a bill of costs on behalf of its member municipalities for its participation in the proceeding; and

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- G. Commission staff have advised the Panel that the applicants participated in the proceeding and contributed to the NSP process; and
- H. The Commission has reviewed the applications for cost awards with regard to the criteria and rates set out in Order No. G-15-04.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

1. Pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission awards funds to the following applicants for their participation in FortisBC's 2006 Revenue Requirements Application and Multi-Year Performance Based Regulation Mechanism.

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Cost Award (\$)</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Application</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Mr. Alan Wait	\$785.52	\$755.13	\$763.25
CEC	61,110.00	27,003.13	24,947.45
NRI	2,052.00	1,443.00	1,392.00
BCOAPO/BCPIAC	25,445.90	25,330.30	24,844.53
IMEU	8,000.00	918.60	918.60

2. FortisBC is directed to reimburse the above-noted participants for the total amounts awarded in a timely fashion.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2006.

**BY ORDER**

*Original signed by*

L.F. Kelsey  
Commissioner