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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER** G-124-07

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

**and**

**FortisBC Inc.  
and Customer Complaints regarding the Naramata Substation Project**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Panel Chair and Commissioner  
L.A. O'Hara, Commissioner October 12, 2007

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. The Naramata Substation Project to rebuild the Naramata substation at a different site (the "Project") was included in the FortisBC Inc. ("FortisBC") 2005 Capital Expenditure Plan that formed part of the 2005 Revenue Requirements, System Development Plan and Resource Plan Application; and
- B. After the 2005 Capital Expenditure Plan was reviewed in an oral public hearing the Commission, by Order No. G-52-05, approved all capital projects in the 2005 Capital Expenditure Plan except for four projects, for which FortisBC was directed to submit Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Applications. The Project was not one of these four projects; and
- C. On April 12, 2007 the Commission Panel, by Order No. G-42-07, directed that any construction work on the Project be suspended immediately in an orderly and safe manner, pending further instructions from the Commission and established an Oral Public Hearing into Project siting options and related costs and issues; and
- D. By Order No. G-51-07 and Letter No. L-40-07, the Commission Panel set down a regulatory timetable including details of the Oral Public Hearing which was held on July 24, 2007 in Penticton, B.C.

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

1. All directions given in the attached Decision shall be followed by FortisBC.
2. Construction of the Naramata Substation at the Fire Hall site as set out in the attached Decision.
3. Construction work on the Project suspended by Commission Order No. G-42-07 may recommence.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this      12<sup>th</sup>      day of October 2007.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

L.F. Kelsey  
Panel Chair and Commissioner