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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER** G-118-09

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

and

FortisBC Inc.
2009 Annual Review, 2010 Revenue Requirements and
Negotiated Settlement Process

BEFORE: P.E. Vivian, Commissioner October 1, 2009

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. British Columbia Utilities Commission ("Commission") Order G-58-06 approved for FortisBC Inc. ("FortisBC" or "Company") a Settlement Agreement for its 2006 Revenue Requirements (the "2006 Settlement Agreement") and a Performance Based Regulation Settlement for the years 2007, 2008 and potentially 2009 (the "PBR Settlement"). The PBR Settlement requires FortisBC to hold an Annual Review, Workshop and Negotiated Settlement Process ("NSP") each November with a goal of achieving firm rates by December 1st for the following year; and
- B. The Annual Review compares the Company's actual performance for the recently completed year to the approved targets for the Performance Standards to determine whether the Company is entitled to an incentive payment. The Revenue Requirements Workshop is to focus on future test periods and the NSP is conducted to establish rates for the following year; and
- C. Pursuant to Commission Order G-193-08, the terms of the PBR Settlement was extended to 2011 along with the approval of the 2009 Revenue Requirement and Negotiated Settlement Agreement; and
- D. On September 22, 2009, FortisBC issued a letter to the Commission with a proposed regulatory timetable for the 2009 Annual Review and 2010 Revenue Requirements; and
- E. The Commission has reviewed FortisBC's proposed regulatory timetable and considers that the establishment of a Regulatory Timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission will hold for FortisBC a 2009 Annual Review on November 17, 2009 in Kelowna, BC to review FortisBC's 2009 performance results and to determine the Company's eligibility for an incentive payment. The 2010 Revenue Requirements Workshop and NSP will also be held in Kelowna, BC. A Regulatory Timetable is attached as Appendix A to this Order.

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2. FortisBC is to provide the Commission, along with all parties who participated in the previous PBR Settlements, copies of the Preliminary 2010 Revenue Requirements material, no later than Thursday, October 1, 2009.
3. FortisBC is to provide a copy of this Commission Order and Regulatory Timetable to all parties who participated in other FortisBC's regulatory proceedings during the past year no later than Monday, October 5, 2009.
4. FortisBC is to provide the Commission and all Registered Intervenors advance information regarding all material variances pertaining to cost of service, sales volume and revenue for the historical period to be presented at the Annual Review no later than Monday, November 2, 2009.
5. Those persons wishing to participate in FortisBC's 2009 Annual Review, the 2010 Revenue Requirements Workshop and NSP are to advise the Commission Secretary in writing of their intention to do so, no later than Friday, October 9, 2009.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *First* day of October 2009.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

P.E. Vivian
Commissioner

Attachment

FORTISBC INC.
2009 Annual Review, 2010 Revenue Requirements and
Negotiated Settlement Process

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATES
FortisBC files Preliminary 2010 Revenue Requirements Material	Thursday, October 1, 2009
Registration deadline for Intervenor and Interested Parties	Friday, October 9, 2009
Commission and Intervenor Information Requests issued to FortisBC	Friday, October 16, 2009
Responses to Information Requests by FortisBC	Friday, October 30, 2009
FortisBC files advance materials for the Annual Review	Monday, November 2, 2009
2009 Annual Review and 2010 Revenue Requirements Workshop commencing at 9:00 a.m.	Tuesday, November 17, 2009
Negotiated Settlement Process	Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at a time to be determined following the Workshop

Location of Annual Review and Negotiated Settlement Process

Grand Okanagan Resort and Conference Centre
1310 Water Street
Kelowna, BC