

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

and

An Application by Ag Energy Co-operative Ltd. for Renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence under the Customer Choice Program

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner

C.A. Brown, Commissioner D. Morton, Commissioner R.D. Revel, Commissioner October 27, 2011

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On October 13, 2011 Ag Energy Co-operative Ltd., carrying on business as FireFly Energy (FireFly Energy), applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) for renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence. The Application for renewal of its Licence to Market Natural Gas (Application) included the payment of the \$1,000 Application Fee and a \$250,000 proof of security, pursuant to Sections 2 and 4 respectively, of the Licence Requirements;
- B. The Commission has reviewed FireFly Energy's Application and relying upon the information and representations made by FireFly Energy finds that renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence, subject to conditions, is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71.1(6) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission issues to FireFly Energy a Gas Marketer Licence for the period of November 1, 2011 to October 31, 2012.
- 2. As a condition of its licence, FireFly Energy is not permitted to market to new and/or existing customers.

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3. This licence is subject to the following conditions:

- a. FireFly Energy will carry out the undertakings as provided in its application and as set out in the revised Rules for Gas Marketers which was effective July 25, 2011.
- b. FireFly Energy will comply with the Code of Conduct for Gas Marketers and Rate Schedule 36 of FortisBC Energy Inc. FireFly Energy shall ensure that its employees, salespersons or other representatives of its products and services comply with the standards required of a Gas Marketer as set out in the Code of Conduct for Gas Marketers and FireFly Energy shall be responsible for any non-compliance of its employees, salespersons or other representatives of its products and services.
- c. FireFly Energy will maintain a \$250,000 performance security in full force and effect for the duration of the Licence.
- d. FireFly Energy will file with the Commission unaudited quarterly financial statements no later than 45 days after the end of each quarter.
- e. FireFly Energy will file with the Commission the most recent version of the documents submitted to satisfy Section 7, Financial Qualifications, of the Licence Requirements.
- f. FireFly Energy will file with the Commission for its comment and approval the documents submitted under Sections (8), (9), (10), (11) and (12) of the Licence Requirements as soon as changes are made and prior to their commercial distribution and/or use.
- g. The Commission may, at any time and without prior notice to FireFly Energy, amend or impose new terms and conditions on, suspend, or cancel the Gas Marketer Licence for reasons the Commission, in its sole discretion, deems and considers sufficient.
- h. The Gas Marketer Licence and all copies of it shall remain the property of the Commission. FireFly Energy will return these documents forthwith upon written request from the Commission.
- FireFly Energy is not permitted to market to new and/or existing customers.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 28th day of October 2011.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

LICENCE NO. A-27-11



GAS MARKETER LICENCE

Ag Energy Co-operative Ltd. Operating as FireFly Energy

is granted a licence for the purpose of providing advice to, or acting on behalf of, a low volume consumer ⁽¹⁾ purchasing gas directly in the Province of British Columbia subject to the terms and conditions contained in Commission Order A-27-11, which are set out in the reverse of the Licence.

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Original signed by:
D. Morton, Commissioner

ISSUED: November 1, 2011

EXPIRES: October 31, 2012

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