

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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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 Award in the Application by FortisBC Energy Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Constructing and Operating a Compressed Natural Gas Refuelling Station at BFI Canada Inc.

**BEFORE:** A.A. Rhodes, Panel Chair/Commissioner

D.M. Morton, Commissioner August 16, 2012

## ORDER

## **WHEREAS:**

- A. On February 29, 2012, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (the Act), for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for constructing and operating a Compressed Natural Gas refuelling station at the premises of BFI Canada Inc. (BFI) located in Coquitlam, British Columbia (the BFI Application);
- B. By Order G-23-12 dated March 2, 2012, the Commission established a written hearing process for its review of the BFI Application;
- C. The Commission issued Order C-6-12 dated April 30, 2012 approving the CPCN;
- D. The following Interveners filed applications for Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) funding:
  - Commercial Energy Consumers Association of BC (CEC) filed April 27, 2012;
  - BC Sustainable Energy Association (BCSEA) filed May 7, 2012;
  - British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al (BCOAPO) filed May 30, 2012;
  - E. By letter dated June 11, 2012 to the Commission, FEI indicated it had no comments regarding the PACA amounts applied for, so long as the Commission had no concerns;

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F. The Commission has reviewed the PACA applications with regard to the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines in Commission Order G-72-07 and has concluded that PACA funding should be awarded to CEC, BCSEA and BCOAPO in the amounts set out in the applications.

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

1. Pursuant to section 118 (1) of the Act, the Commission awards funds in the following amounts with respect to the participants for their participation in the BFI Application proceeding:

Participant	Application	Award
CEC	\$2,583.00	\$2,583.00
BCSEA	\$3,627.20	\$3,627.20
BCOAPO	\$4,914.00	\$4,914.00

2. FEI is directed to reimburse the above noted participants for the award amounts in a timely manner.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

16<sup>th</sup>

day of August 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A.A. Rhodes Commissioner