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

and

An Application by FortisBC Energy Inc. for Approval to Amend Rate Schedule 22 Large Volume Transportation

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner B.A. Magnan, Commissioner

October 11, 2012

## WHEREAS:

SIXTH FLOOR, 900 HOWE STREET, BOX 250 VANCOUVER, BC V6Z 2N3 CANADA

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A. On October 3, 2012, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to section 61(2) of the Utilities Commission Act (Act), for approval to amend Rate Schedule 22 – Large Volume Transportation (Rate Schedule 22) to extend the customer payment period to 15 calendar days from the date the invoice is issued (Application);

ORDER

- B. FEI states that the amendment is in response to customer complaints that the current payment period does not allow sufficient time for payment processing. FEI has requested for the amended Rate Schedule 22 to take effect immediately;
- C. FEI believes that extending the payment period to 15 calendars days allows sufficient time for Rate Schedule 22 customers to process payment;
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 61(2) of the Act, the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission approves the Application to amend Rate Schedule 22 to extend the payment deadline from 10 calendar days to 15 calendar days from the date the invoice is issued.

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2. The amendment to Rate Schedule 22 shall take effect immediately.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012.

**BY ORDER** 

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey Commissioner