



**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER G-124-12**

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

and

FortisBC Inc.
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
D.M. Morton, Commissioner
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner
September 13, 2012

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 26, 2012, FortisBC Inc. (FortisBC) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission, pursuant to sections 45, 46, and 56 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (the Act), for approval of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (Project), including approval of a revised depreciation rate for the proposed meters to be installed (the Application);
- B. On August 2, 2012, the Commission established a Preliminary Regulatory Timetable, attached as Appendix A to the Order G-105-12;
- C. The Commission acknowledges the delay that has been caused as a result of the need to evaluate the requests for Registered Intervener status and requests for additional time for Interveners to prepare submissions. For these reasons, the Commission determines it is necessary to amend the Preliminary Regulatory Timetable to review the Application.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission amends the Preliminary Regulatory Timetable, attached as Appendix A to the Order.
2. FortisBC will distribute copies of this Order and its Appendix A, in a timely fashion, via email, to the Registered Interveners and Interested Parties in the proceeding.

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3. Any party intending to file for a Participant Assistance Cost Award (PACA) must submit its PACA budget, pursuant to the PACA Guidelines attached to Order G-72-07, to the Commission by Tuesday, October 2, 2012. (A complete description of the PACA Guidelines is available at the Commission's web site: http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/Participant_Guide.pdf)

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13th day of September 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment

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**Amended PRELIMINARY
REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

ACTION	DATE (2012)
Comments on the need to hold Community Input Sessions in the areas of Trail, Osoyoos, and Kelowna	Friday, September 14
Finalization of Registration of Interveners and Interested Parties	Friday, September 14
BCUC Information Request No. 1	Friday, September 14
FortisBC reply on the need to hold Community Input Sessions in the areas of Trail, Osoyoos, and Kelowna	Wednesday, September 19
Comments by Registered Interveners on the regulatory process by which to review the Application, such as written, oral or both	Friday, September 21
Commission Decision on the need to hold Community Input Sessions in the areas of Trail, Osoyoos, and Kelowna	Friday, September 21
Commission Decision on the regulatory process by which to review the Application, such as written, oral or both	Tuesday, September 25
Participants file their PACA Funding Budgets	Tuesday, October 2
FortisBC Response to BCUC Information Request No. 1	Friday, October 5
Intervener Information Request No. 1	Friday, October 26
Week of November 5 th for Community Input Sessions, if they are to be held	
FortisBC Response to Intervener Information Request No. 1	Friday, November 9
BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 2	Friday, November 23
FortisBC Response to BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 2	Friday, December 14