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UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

and

An Application by FortisBC Inc.

for Acceptance of a Mitigation Plan required for Compliance with Mandatory Reliability Standard PRC-017-0 Requirement 2 - Violation ID: BCUC201200362

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner

**D.M. Morton**, Commissioner **R.D. Revel**, Commissioner

July 13, 2012

C.A. Brown, Commissioner

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. Section 125.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Act) assigns exclusive jurisdiction to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) to determine whether a "reliability standard," as defined in the Act, is in the public interest and should be adopted in British Columbia. By Order G-123-09 the Commission approved the Compliance Monitoring Program (CMP) for monitoring and enforcement of adopted reliability standards and appointed the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) as its Administrator for registration and monitoring compliance as per section 8 of the Act;
- B. Commission Order G-67-09 requires entities subject to approved Mandatory Reliability Standards to file mitigation plans outlining how they plan to achieve compliance;
- C. Pursuant to Section 5.3 of the CMP, a Mitigation Plan with respect to an Alleged Violation may be submitted at any time, and a Mitigation Plan with respect to a Confirmed Violation must be submitted within ten business days following confirmation by the Commission;
- D. On May 25, 2012, FortisBC submitted a Mitigation Plan to address the alleged violation of Reliability Standard PRC-017-0 R2. The proposed completion date for the Mitigation Plan is July 25, 2013;

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E. By letter dated June 13, 2012, WECC recommended acceptance of the following Mitigation Plan to bring FortisBC into compliance with the standard identified below:

Reliability Standard	BCUC Violation ID	Completion Date
PRC-017-0 R2	BCUC201200362	July 25, 2013

F. The Commission has reviewed WECC's recommendation and considers approval is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 125.2 (10) of the Act and in accordance with the Compliance Monitoring Program, the Commission accepts WECC's recommendation and approves the Mitigation Plan as listed above.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey Commissioner