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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER G-160-13**

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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 Radio-Off
Advanced Metering Infrastructure Meter Option**

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner October 1, 2013

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 26, 2012, FortisBC Inc. (FortisBC) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 45, 46 and 56 of the Utilities Commission Act, for approval of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project;
- B. By Order C-7-13 dated July 23, 2013, the Commission granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for the AMI Project (AMI Project Decision). The approval was subject to the condition that FortisBC confirm in writing that it will file an application for an opt-out provision by November 1, 2013, based on principles set out in the AMI Project Decision;
- C. On July 31, 2013, FortisBC confirmed in writing that it would file an application for an opt-out provision;
- D. On August 30, 2013, FortisBC filed an application for a Radio-Off AMI Meter Option (the Application) based on principles set out in the AMI Project Decision. The Application sets out the fees and process for customers who choose the Radio-Off AMI Meter Option;
- E. Order G-142-13 dated September 9, 2013, directed FortisBC to promptly publish notice of the Application in specific newspapers and to distribute copies of Order G-142-13 and its Appendices in a timely fashion, via email, to the Registered Interveners and Interested Parties in the FortisBC Application for a CPCN for the AMI Project. The Order also directed those parties wishing to participate in the review of the Application to register with the Commission Secretary through the Commission website as soon as possible;
- F. Order G-154-13 dated September 18, 2013 established a written hearing process and a Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application; and

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- G. The Commission Panel has determined that an Amended Regulatory Time table is warranted in order to establish a filing deadline for Participant Assistance/Cost Award budgets.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission Panel orders as follows:

1. The Regulatory Timetable established by Order G-154-13 is amended and attached as Appendix A to this Order.
2. Participant Assistance/Cost Award budgets must be filed with the Commission Secretary by Friday, October 11, 2013 in accordance with the Participant Assistance/Cost Award Guidelines, which are attached as Appendix A to Order G-72-07.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *First* day of October 2013.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment

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AMENDED REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2013)
Intervener and Interested Party Registration Deadline	Wednesday, September 25
BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 1	Friday, October 4
Filing of Participant Assistance / Cost Award Budgets	Friday, October 11
FortisBC Inc. Response to BCUC and Intervener Information Request No. 1	Friday, October 18
FortisBC Inc. Final Written Submission	Friday, October 25
Intervener Final Written Submission	Friday, November 1
FortisBC Inc. Written Reply Submission	Friday, November 8