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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER F-23-13**

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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 Approval of a Temporary Service Agreement for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Service,
for Approval of a Service Agreement for LNG Delivery,
for Approval of a Daily Charge for the Use of a LNG Tanker and
for Approval of a Daily Charge for the Use of a Mobile LNG Refueling Station**

BEFORE: A.A Rhodes, Panel Chair/Commissioner
D.M. Morton, Commissioner
D.A. Cote, Commissioner

August 21, 2013

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 12, 2011, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed an application (Original Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 59-61 and 89 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, for approval on an interim basis of a Temporary LNG Station Installation and Operation Agreement dated May 12, 2011, between FEI and Vedder Transport Ltd. (Temporary Refueling Agreement) and for approval of a Transportation Services Agreement dated May 12, 2011 between FEI and Vedder Transport Ltd. (Delivery Agreement);
- B. On August 8, 2011, FEI filed an amendment to the Original Application (together the Amended Application);
- C. On August 12, 2011, the Commission issued Order G-144-11 granting interim approval of the Temporary Refueling Agreement and the Delivery Agreement pending a more complete review of the Amended Application;
- D. On August 31, 2011, the Commission issued Letter L-68-11 suspending the regulatory review process for the Amended Application pending completion of the FortisBC Utilities 2012-2013 Revenue Requirements and Natural Gas Rates Application (FEU RRA);
- E. On April 12, 2012, the Commission issued Order G-44-12 and the related Decision regarding the FEU RRA;

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- F. The Commission issued Order G-70-12 dated May 12, 2012, resuming the regulatory review of the Amended Application and establishing a written hearing process;
- G. On October 22, 2012, the Commission issued Order G-156-12 setting out its Decision on the Amended Application;
- H. The following Interveners filed applications for Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) funding:
- BC Sustainable Energy Association (BCSEA) filed August 23, 2012; and
 - British Columbia Pensioners' and Seniors' Organization *et al.* (BCPSO) filed September 14, 2012;
- I. By letter dated October 10, 2012 to the Commission, FEI indicated it had no comments regarding the PACA amounts submitted as long as the Commission had no concerns; and
- J. The Commission has reviewed the PACA applications having regard to the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines in Commission Order G-72-07 and concludes that PACA funding should be awarded to BCPSO and BCSEA in the amounts requested.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. Pursuant to section 118 (1) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Commission awards funding to the participants in the following amounts :

Participant	Application	Award
BCPSO	\$5,804.40	\$5,804.40
BCSEA	\$5,880.70	\$5,880.70

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 21st day of August 2013.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Alison A. Rhodes
Panel Chair/Commissioner