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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER E-3-14**

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

and

**FortisBC Energy (Vancouver Island) Inc.
Filing for Acceptance of an Additional Transportation Capacity Contract on Westcoast Energy Inc.
for the Period November 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015**

BEFORE:

L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
C.A. Brown, Commissioner
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner
B.A. Magnan, Commissioner
D.M. Morton, Commissioner
R.D. Revel, Commissioner
C. van Wermeskerken

February 20, 2014

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 18, 2013, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), by Letter L-44-13, accepted the FortisBC Energy (Vancouver Island) Inc. (FEVI) 2013/14 Annual Contracting Plan (ACP);
- B. In Letter L-44-13 the Commission requested that FEVI provide an analysis of the transportation service contracting alternatives prior to contracting for the transportation service capacity;
- C. On July 30, 2013, FEVI provided an analysis of the contracting alternatives relating to the need for additional T-South transportation service capacity on the Westcoast Energy Inc. (WEI) system that was requested in L-44-13;
- D. On August 15, 2013, the Commission, by Letter L-47-13, accepted that the analysis filed on July 30, 2013, complied with the request set out in Letter L-44-13;
- E. On December 16, 2013, FEVI filed for acceptance a transportation service agreement FEVI executed with Westcoast Energy Inc. for incremental contracted capacity on the WEI transmission pipeline system commencing on November 1, 2013 (Agreement), as contemplated in the ACP and the July 30, 2013 contracting analysis;

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- F. In the December 16, 2013 filing, FEVI requested that the Agreement and the filing be kept confidential on the basis they contain commercially sensitive information;
- G. On February 18, 2014, FEVI filed a submission noting it wishes to withdraw the request for confidentiality; and
- H. The Commission reviewed the FEVI filing and is satisfied that the Agreement is consistent with the ACP and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the British Columbia Utilities Commission's Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts, the Commission accepts the FortisBC Energy (Vancouver Island) Inc. transportation service agreement for incremental contracted capacity on the Westcoast Energy Inc. transmission pipeline system commencing on November 1, 2013.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, In the Province of British Columbia, this 20th day of February 2014.

BY ORDER
Original Signed by:

D.M. Morton
Commissioner