

BRITISH COLUMBIA
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IN THE MATTER OF the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

An Application for Approval of Amended Rates for Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Service between For Less Disposal Inc. and FortisBC Energy Inc.

BEFORE: K. A. Keilty, Commissioner/Panel Chair July 22, 2015

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On April, 2013, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order G-56-13, exempting Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Liquefied Natural Gas fueling stations undertaken as prescribed undertakings by FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) under the Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation (GGRR) from the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity requirements for the term of the GGRR;
- B. On June 1, 2014, FEI and For Less Disposal Inc. (For Less) entered into a Fueling Station Licence and Use Agreement (Agreement) and on July 17, 2014, FEI applied to the Commission for approval of the rate design and rates established in the Agreement under the GGRR. By Order G-128-14, the Commission approved the Agreement;
- C. On May 26, 2015, FEI applied for approval of an Amending Agreement to the Fueling Equipment Agreement (formerly referred to as the Fueling Station Licence and Use Agreement) executed on May 7, 2015, by FEI and For Less to amend among other things the Capital Rate to account for the actual CNG Fueling Station capital expenditures exceeding projected expenditures by more than 2 percent (Amending Agreement) (Amended For Less Application). The Amended For Less Application also includes a request to hold confidential the revised live financial model in Appendix B;
- D. The Amending Agreement also made amendments to define and clarify the date upon which the rates will be escalated each year, the annual Minimum Quantity will be calculated, and the Initial Term will start; and
- E. The Commission has reviewed and considered the Amended For Less Application and determines that the Amending Agreement should be approved.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 59–61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The rate design and rates established in the Amending Agreement to the Fueling Equipment Agreement (Amending Agreement) are approved, effective the Rate Determination Date as defined in the Amending Agreement, on a permanent basis.
- 2. The base rate for year 1 service in the Amending Agreement is approved for service in the period prior to the Rate Determination Date.
- 3. The live financial model provided in Appendix B of the Amended For Less Application will be kept confidential.
- 4. FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) must file, on a timely basis the For Less Amending Agreement for filing in the FEI Tariff Supplement binder.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of July 2015.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

K. A. Keilty
Commissioner/PanelChair