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# ORDER NUMBER F-3-17

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

and

#### FortisBC Inc.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Corra Linn Dam Spillway Gate Replacement Project

## **BEFORE:**

D. A. Cote, Panel Chair/CommissionerM. Kresivo, QC, CommissionerB. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on February 16, 2017

### **ORDER**

#### **WHEREAS:**

- A. On June 29, 2016, FortisBC Inc. (FBC) submitted an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Application) to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) under sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) for the construction and operation of 14 replacement spillway gates and upgrades to the associated structures at the Corra Linn Dam (the Project);
- B. On July 8, 2016, the Commission issued Order G-107-16 establishing a written hearing process for the review of the Application. The hearing included two rounds of information requests followed by final and reply submissions;
- C. The following parties registered as interveners in the hearing: Commercial Energy Consumers of British Columbia (CEC), British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al.* (BCOAPO) and Norman Gabana;
- D. On February 7, 2017 by Order C-1-17, the Commission granted FBC a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Project;
- E. The following participants filed Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) applications with the Commission with respect to their participation in the hearing:

Date	Participant	Application
December 19, 2016	ВСОАРО	\$6,819.40
December 16, 2016	CEC	\$13,934.83

- F. By letter dated January 5, 2017, FBC stated it has no comments on the PACA applications "so long as the Commission has no concerns with the time identified or the amounts applied for"; and
- G. The Commission has reviewed the PACA applications and concludes that full cost awards should be approved. In conducting its review, the Commission considered the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines, attached to Commission Order G-72-07;

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 118(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Commission orders as follows:

1. Funding is awarded to the following interveners in the listed amounts for their participation in the Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Corra Linn Dam Spillway Gate Replacement Project hearing:

Participant	Award
British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al.	\$6,819.40
Commercial Energy Consumers of British Columbia	\$13,934.83

2. FortisBC Inc. is directed to reimburse the above-noted participants for the awarded amount in a timely manner.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 2017.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. A. Cote Commissioner