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ORDER NUMBER G-13-20

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc. Revelstoke Propane Portfolio Cost Amalgamation Application

BEFORE:

T. A. Loski, Panel Chair B. A. Magnan, Commissioner R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on January 21, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 18, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval to amalgamate the Revelstoke propane supply costs with the FEI midstream natural gas supply resource costs in the Midstream Cost Reconciliation Account (MCRA) and to implement a revised propane gas cost rate setting mechanism, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) effective January 1, 2020 (Application);
- B. The Application also seeks approval of minor amendments to FEI's Rate Schedules (RS) 1 to 7 regarding references to Revelstoke in rate rider 1 and rate rider 6 where applicable;
- C. In the Application, FEI states that the proposed rate setting mechanism will provide Revelstoke customers with propane rate stability that matches the stability of FEI's natural gas customer rates and can provide propane commodity rate relief to Revelstoke customers;
- D. By Order G-201-19 dated August 27, 2019, and as amended by Order G-290-19 dated November 18, 2019, the BCUC established a written hearing process and regulatory timetable to review the Application. The timetable included intervener registration, two rounds of information requests (IR) and submissions on further process including intent to file Intervener Evidence;
- E. By January 16, 2020, the BCUC received submissions from Big Eddy Fuel Services Ltd., Canadian Biomass Energy Research Ltd., Downie Timber Ltd., BC Sustainable Energy Association, Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia, British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al. and FEI;
- F. The BCUC has reviewed FEI's responses to IRs and all of the parties' submissions on further process and considers that a further regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that a further regulatory timetable is established as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 21st day of January 2020.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

T. A. Loski Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)
Deadline for Filing Intervener Evidence	Tuesday, February 18
Information Requests (IRs) on Intervener Evidence	Thursday, March 5
FEI Notice of Intention to File Rebuttal Evidence	Thursday, March 19
Intervener Response to IRs on Intervener Evidence	Thursday, March 26
FEI Rebuttal Evidence (if any)	Thursday, April 9
Further Process	To be determined