



ORDER NUMBER
E-16-23

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

and

FortisBC Inc.
Application for Acceptance of Energy Supply Contract
with Cascade Pacific Power Corporation

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Panel Chair
E. A. Brown, Commissioner
E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner
W. E. Royle, Commissioner

on October 26, 2023

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 28, 2023, pursuant to section 1.1.1 of Rules for Energy Supply Contracts for Electricity (Rules), FortisBC Inc. (FBC) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) a short-term energy supply contract (ESC) entered by FBC and Cascade Pacific Power Corporation (Cascade Pacific) on November 10, 2022, for the purchase of 51 MWh of power (FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC) (altogether, Filing);
- B. By Order G-61-12 dated May 17, 2012, the BCUC approved the Rules. The Rules facilitate the BCUC's review of energy supply contracts for electricity, and proposed energy supply contracts for electricity under section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act*;
- C. By Order G-380-22 dated December 21, 2022, the BCUC accepted FBC's 2021 Long-Term Electric Resource Plan including FBC's 2021 Long-Term Demand-Side Management Plan (2021 LTERP);
- D. By Letter L-19-22 dated May 25, 2022, the BCUC accepted for filing FBC's Annual Electric Contracting Plan for the period from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 (2022/23 AECP);
- E. On January 31, 2023, FBC filed with the BCUC, pursuant to section 71, subsection 2.1 of the UCA and section 1.1.1 of the Rules, the Report on ESCs with 62 days or less in duration for the fourth quarter of 2022, which included the FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC;
- F. FBC requests that the FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC be kept confidential in perpetuity due to its commercially sensitive nature; and
- G. The BCUC has reviewed the Filing and is satisfied that the FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC is in the public interest and consistent with FBC's 2022/23 AECP and FBC's 2021 LTERP.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71 of the UCA:

1. The BCUC accepts the FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC as filed.
2. The FBC-Cascade Pacific ESC will be kept confidential until the BCUC determines otherwise.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of October 2023.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner