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## ORDER NUMBER G-314-23

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

and

Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc.
Updated Fuel Cost Adjustment Charge and Rate Rider

## **BEFORE:**

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

on November 16, 2023

## **ORDER**

## WHEREAS:

- A. On November 3, 2023, Creative Energy Vancouver Platforms Inc. (Creative Energy) submitted an application requesting approval of the Fuel Cost Adjustment Charge (FCAC) of \$16.95 per thousand pounds of steam (M#) and to set the FCAC Rate Rider at 0.00 M# effective November 1, 2023. Creative Energy also requested an amendment to BCUC Order G-283-23 to remove Directive 5 as it considers this requirement is no longer necessary (Application);
- B. By Order G-283-23, dated October 20, 2023, the BCUC approved, as requested, the FCAC rate of \$19.40/M#, effective May 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023 and the FCAC Rate Rider of \$2.00/M#, effective May 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 on a permanent basis;
- C. By Letter L-47-23, the BCUC accepted a revised contracting strategy where Creative Energy switched natural gas service from FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) Rate 7 Interruptible Service to FEI Rate 5 Firm Service effective November 1, 2023; and
- D. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and considers that interim approval is warranted.

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**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 61(4) and 89 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The FCAC of \$16.95/M# and the FCAC Rate Rider of \$0.00/M# is approved on an interim and refundable basis, effective November 1, 2023.
- 2. Any variance between the interim and permanent rates for FCAC and FCAC Rate Rider, as determined by the BCUC following its final determination of the Application, is subject to refund or recovery from ratepayers, with interest at Creative Energy's cost of debt.
- 3. The tariff pages, as attached to the Application, are accepted for filing.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of November 2023.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan Commissioner

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