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ORDER NUMBER G-105-24

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Discontinue Specific Reporting Requirements in Annual Reports

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on April 9, 2024

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 12, 2024, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) requested that the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) approve discontinuing the requirement to submit four reports that have historically been included in its Annual Report to the BCUC. The four reports are the Salvage Cost Reporting, the Internal Audit Report regarding Data and Servers Located Outside of Canada, Evacuation Relief Granted, and the Affiliated Transactions Report (Application);
- B. On April 12, 2012, the BCUC issued Decision and Order G-44-12, regarding FEI's 2012-2013 Revenue Requirements Application (RRA). Among other things, the Panel directs FortisBC Energy Utilities (FEU) to continue forecasting salvage costs in each test period and to include this estimate in future revenue requirements applications. FEU is directed to provide annual reports to the BCUC, of total accumulations, by asset class;
- C. On October 13, 2015, the BCUC issued Order G-161-15, directing that FEI file, on an annual basis, an internal audit report on any significant breaches and deficiencies in processes and controls with respect to data and servers located outside of Canada;
- D. On August 14, 2020, the BCUC issued Order G-217-20 regarding FEI's Application for Approval of Tariff Changes to Permit Relief for Customers Under Evacuation Orders. The BCUC directed that FEI track and report variances associated with evacuation relief granted in FEI's flow-through deferral account, and to report these variances in its Annual Reports;
- E. The Affiliated Transactions Report has been included as part of FEI's (and its predecessor companies') Annual Reports to the BCUC since 2004;
- F. In the Application, FEI requests to discontinue filing these four reports because the information contained in the reports is redundant and of diminished relevance; and
- G. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and considers that approval is warranted.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 99 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

FEI's request to discontinue the inclusion of the following four reports in its Annual Report to the BCUC is approved, effective the date of this Order:

- 1. Salvage Cost Reporting (pursuant to Order G-44-12, Directive 34);
- 2. Internal Audit Report regarding Data Servers Located Outside of Canada (pursuant to Order G-161-15, p. 21);
- 3. Evacuation Relief Granted (pursuant to Order G-217-20, Directive 4); and
- 4. Affiliated Transactions Report.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 9th day of April 2024.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan Commissioner

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