



**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-11-16**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plan for 2014 to 2018 Decision and Order G-138-14  
Application for Approval of Detailed Plans for New Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs

**BEFORE:**

D. M. Morton, Commissioner  
H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner  
K. A. Keilty, Commissioner  
R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on January 28, 2016

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On September 15, 2014, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order G-138-14 on the FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) 2014-2018 Performance Based Ratemaking Plan (PBR Plan). In the decision accompanying Order G-138-14 (Decision), the Commission accepted the FEI's *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) section 44.2 expenditure request for energy efficiency and conservation (EEC) programs for 2014 through 2018 (2014: \$34.4 million; 2015: \$36.5 million; 2016: \$35.8 million; 2017: \$35.4 million; 2018: \$35.9 million);
- B. In the Decision (Directives 140 and 142 and on pages 269 and 271) the Commission accepted FEI's funding requests for four new EEC programs (low income space heating top-up, water heating top-up, non-profit custom programs and specialized industrial process technology program), subject to FEI submitting detailed plans for each program for approval prior to the expenditure of any funds related to these programs;
- C. On January 11, 2016, FEI applied to the Commission for approval of the detailed plans for the four new EEC Programs (Application):
  - Low Income Space Heat Top Up. The program budget from 2016 to 2018 is \$1,187,524 with funding to come from within the existing EEC low-income and commercial program areas;
  - Low Income Water Heater Top Up. The program budget from 2016 to 2018 is \$268,216 with funding to come from within the existing EEC low-income and commercial program areas;
  - Non-Profit Custom Program. The program budget from 2016 to 2018 is \$1,266,852 with funding to come from within the existing EEC low-income and commercial program areas; and

- Specialized Industrial Process Technology Program. The program budget from 2016 to 2018 is \$1,033,100 with funding to come from within the existing EEC industrial program area; and

D. The Commission has considered FEI's request for approval of the detailed plans for each of these programs and considers that approval is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 44.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission approves the detailed plans as filed for the following four new Energy Efficiency and Conservation (EEC) programs to become part of the EEC Program Portfolio and to be funded from the previously accepted EEC Expenditure Schedule accepted by the 2014-2018 Performance Based Ratemaking Plan Decision and Order G-138-14:

- a. Low Income Space Heat Top Up;
- b. Low Income Water Heater Top Up;
- c. Non-Profit Custom Program; and
- d. Specialized Industrial Process Technology Program.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2016.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

D. M. Morton  
Commissioner