



ORDER NUMBER

A-13-16

IN THE MATTER OF

the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Customer Choice Program Cost Recovery Compliance Filing to Order A-9-16

BEFORE:

D. A. Cote, Panel Chair/Commissioner

W. M. Everett, Commissioner

on December 15, 2016

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) obtained a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity on August 14, 2006 for the Commodity Unbundling Project for Residential Customers (Customer Choice) in accordance with the provincial government's 2002 energy policy, which allows for the direct sale of natural gas to residential and small volume commercial customers through gas marketing companies licensed by the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission);
- B. In the reasons attached to Order A-9-16, in the FEI Customer Choice Program Cost Recovery proceeding, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) directed FEI to file specific information on Customer Choice program costs to facilitate a review of the costs;
- C. FEI filed the program cost information with the Commission and registered interveners in the Customer Choice Program Cost Recovery proceeding by letter dated November 17, 2016;
- D. By letter dated November 30, 2016, the Commission proposed a simplified review process for the compliance filing, with one round of Commission information requests and no argument, and requested comments on the proposed review process from FEI and registered interveners in the Customer Choice Program Cost Recovery proceeding by December 7, 2016;
- E. By letters submitted by December 7, 2016, FEI, Direct Energy Marketing Ltd., the British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al.* and the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of BC agreed with the Commission's proposed review process for the compliance filing. No other parties submitted comments; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the submissions and considers establishing the Regulatory Timetable attached to this order to be warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71.1 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission orders that the Regulatory Timetable for the review of FortisBC Energy Inc.'s Customer Choice Program Cost Recovery Compliance Filing to Order A-9-16 is established as attached as Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15th day of December 2016.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D. A. Cote
Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Energy Inc.
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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2016)
Commission Information Request No. 1	Friday, December 30
ACTION	DATE (2017)
FEI Response to Information Request No. 1	Monday, January 16