



ORDER NUMBER
G-26-18

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
2018 Core Market Administration Expense Budget Application

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner
D. J. Enns, Commissioner

on January 25, 2018

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 8, 2017, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) submitted its 2018 Core Market Administration Expense (CMAE) Budget Application (Application), requesting British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) approval of the 2018 CMAE budget of \$4,942,000;
- B. In the Application, FEI also requests approval of the allocation of the 2018 CMAE between the Commodity Cost Reconciliation Account (CCRA) and Midstream Cost Reconciliation Account (MCRA), based on the existing allocation percentages of 30 percent and 70 percent, respectively;
- C. By Order G-79-14, dated June 18, 2014, the Commission approved the FEI 2014 CMAE budget and determined, among other things, that until such time as FEI files its next revenue requirements application, FEI is directed to submit future CMAE budgets separately to the Commission at least two weeks prior to the fourth quarter gas cost report to allow the Commission sufficient time to review the CMAE budget and to determine if there are sufficient variances from the previous CMAE budget to warrant a more fulsome review;
- D. By Order G-3-17, dated January 12, 2017, the Commission approved the FEI 2017 CMAE budget; and
- E. The Commission has reviewed the FEI 2018 Application and considers that the overall 2018 CMAE budget should be approved.

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

1. The FEI 2018 CMAE budget is approved for \$4,942,000.

2. The allocation of the 2018 CMAE between the CCRA and MCRA is approved based on the allocation percentages of 30 percent and 70 percent, respectively.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of January 2018.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner