



**ORDER NUMBER
G-176-18**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Application for Permanent Approval of a Letter Agreement to Extend the Termination Provision in the
Transportation Service Agreement between FortisBC Energy Inc.
and the Vancouver Island Joint Venture

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on September 24, 2018

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 31, 2018, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), for permanent approval of the executed letter agreement (Amending Agreement);
- B. On August 2, 2018, pursuant to section 89 of the UCA, FEI filed an application with the BCUC for interim approval of a proforma (unexecuted) letter agreement (Proforma Amending Agreement), extending the provision for early termination by the Vancouver Island Gas Joint Venture (VIGJV) upon written notice to FEI by December 31, 2018. On August 29, 2018, the BCUC issued Order G-162-18 granting interim approval;
- C. An extension to the Early Termination provision to December 31, 2018, will provide sufficient time for FEI and VIGJV to complete a consultation process and to identify potential imbalance return business practices and allocation procedures;
- D. All other terms of the Transportation Service Agreement (TSA) remain unchanged; and
- E. The BCUC has reviewed the Amending Agreement and considers that approval is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. The Amending Agreement between FEI and VIGJV amending the Early Termination provision in the TSA to December 31, 2018, is approved on a permanent basis.
2. Revised tariff pages containing the Amending Agreement, as submitted with the application, are approved as filed.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of September 2018.

BY ORDER

Original Signed by:

(B. A. Magnan)
Commissioner