

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for Approval of a
Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plan
for the years 2014 through 2018

BEFORE: D.M. Morton, Panel Chair/Commissioner

D.A. Cote, Commissioner B.A. Magnan, Commissioner N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner

January 23, 2014

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Orders G-218-13 and G-219-13, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) established Amended Regulatory Timetables for review of the Applications by FortisBC Inc. (FBC) and FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) for approval of Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plans for the years 2014 through 2018;
- B. Pursuant to the above Orders, the Commission sought submissions from all parties for comments on the remainder of the Regulatory Timetable by January 13, 2014;
- C. Submissions were received from FBC/FEI, the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia, the British Columbia Pensioners' and Seniors' Organization et al., the Industrial Customers Group, the BC Sustainable Energy Association and the Sierra Club of British Columbia, and the Irrigation Ratepayers Group. Some interveners requested a delay in the oral hearing which is scheduled for March 10, 2014, while others requested additional review processes;
- D. On January 14, 2014, the Canadian Office and Professional Employees' Union, Local 378 (COPE) submitted a letter stating that their expert witness is not available to attend or testify between March 17 and 28, 2014;
- E. On January 16, 2014, by Orders G-7-14 and G-8-14, the Commission amended the Amended Regulatory Timetables for review of the Applications by FBC and FEI for approval of Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plans for the years 2014 through 2018;

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F. The Commission reviewed the late submission from COPE and considers that further amendments to the Regulatory Timetables are necessary.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders that the remainder of the review process for the FortisBC Inc. and FortisBC Energy Inc. Applications shall proceed according to the Amended Regulatory Timetable that is included as Appendix A to this Order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of January of 2014.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D.M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Energy Inc. Application for Approval of Multi-Year Performance Based Ratemaking Plans for the years 2014 through 2018

AMENDED REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2014)
Response to Information Request No. 1 on Intervener Evidence	Wednesday, January 29
Information Request No. 2 on Intervener Evidence (All Parties)	Wednesday, February 12
Response to Information Request No. 2 on Intervener Evidence	Wednesday, February 26
Rebuttal Evidence (PBR and Non-PBR Issues, including DSM)	Monday, March 3
Oral Hearing on PBR Methodology	Tuesday, March 11 Wednesday, March 12
Information Requests (IRs) on Non-PBR Issues of Rebuttal Evidence, (including DSM)	Friday, March 28
FBC/FEI Reply to IRs on non-PBR Issues of Rebuttal Evidence (including DSM)	Friday, April 11
Final Argument on All Issues	Friday, May 2
Intervener Final Arguments on All Issues	Friday, May 16
Reply Argument on All Issues	Friday, May 30