



**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER C-7-14**

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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 an Operating Agreement with the Village of Keremeos

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
C.A. Brown, Commissioner
H.G. Harowitz, Commissioner
K.A. Keilty, Commissioner
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner
I.F. MacPhail, Commissioner
B.A. Magnan, Commissioner
D.M. Morton, Commissioner

July 10, 2014

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS:

- A. FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI), formerly known as BC Gas Utility Ltd. and Terasen Gas Inc., and the Village of Keremeos entered into a Standard Form Franchise Agreement dated October 16, 1993 (Franchise Agreement);
- B. Commission Order C-6-94 approved the Franchise Agreement;
- C. In Order and Decision G-113-12 the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) ordered that amendments in the Operating Agreement between FEI and the District of Coldstream be incorporated into future operating agreements between FEI and municipalities;
- D. On May 27, 2014, FEI applied to the Commission for approval of an Operating Agreement between FEI and the Village of Keremeos, effective April 1, 2014 (Application); and
- E. The Commission reviewed the Application and considers that approval is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 45 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission approves the Operating Agreement between FortisBC Energy Inc. and the Village of Keremeos, as filed.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 11th of July 2014.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D.M. Morton
Commissioner