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British Columbia Utilities Commission  
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street  
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Attention: Ms. Marija Tresoglavic, Acting Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Tresoglavic:

**Re: FortisBC Inc. (FBC)**

**Project No. 1598940**

**Application for Approval of Rate Design and Rates for Electric Vehicle (EV) Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) Service (Application)**

**British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) Order G-183-20 - FBC Clarification on Application**

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On June 22, 2020, Order in Council (OIC) 339 was issued by the Lieutenant Governor, amending the Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation (GGRR), B.C. Reg. 102/2012, and clarifying the treatment of electric vehicle charging stations as a Prescribed Undertaking, as follows:

- (2) A public utility's undertaking that is in a class defined as follows is a prescribed undertaking for the purposes of section 18 of the Act:
  - (a) the public utility constructs and operates, or purchases and operates, an eligible charging station;
  - (b) the public utility reasonably expects, on the date the public utility decides to construct or purchase an eligible charging station, that
    - (i) the station will come into operation by December 31, 2025, and
    - (ii) if the station will be located in a limited municipality, the number of eligible charging sites in the municipality on the date the station will come into operation will not exceed the site limit for the municipality on that date;
  - (c) if an eligible charging station comes into operation on or after January 1, 2022, the station uses or is configured to use the Open Charge Point Protocol.

By letter submitted June 30, 2020 (Exhibit B-3), FBC advised the BCUC that it expects to be in a position to restart the regulatory review process for the above referenced Application with the filing of an evidentiary update to the Application on or before September 30, 2020.

On July 10, 2020, the BCUC issued Order G-183-20 restarting the proceeding for the review and directing FBC as follows:

FBC must clarify in writing whether it will be applying for review of the five DCFC stations in the Application as a prescribed undertaking under Section 5 of the GRR... If not, please confirm the applicable provisions of the UCA pursuant to which FBC is seeking BCUC review of the Application.

FBC confirms that in support of its requested approval of Rate Schedule 96 – Electric Vehicle Charging on a permanent basis, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, it intends to provide information confirming that the 5 DCFC stations noted in the Application are “eligible charging stations” as defined by the GRR and meet the test for prescribed undertakings pursuant to OIC 339. In addition, FBC will provide equivalent confirmation for additional DCFC stations installed by FBC since the date that Order G-9-18 was issued that also meet the GRR test for prescribed undertakings and for which Rate Schedule 96 also applies.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

**FORTISBC INC.**

***Original signed:***

Doug Slater