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British Columbia Utilities Commission
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street
Vancouver, BC
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Attention: Mr. Patrick Wruck, Commission Secretary

Dear Mr. Wruck:

Re: FortisBC (FBC)

Project No. 1598940

Rate Design and Rates for Electric Vehicle Direct Current Fast Charging Service Application

FBC writes to notify the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) that it has identified an administrative oversight related to the implementation of FBC's existing interim rate approved by BCUC Order G-9-18 for its Electric Vehicle (EV) Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) stations that resulted in Goods and Services Tax (GST) not being correctly applied. Specifically, while GST should be added to the charges in Rate Schedule 96 as described in FBC's Electric Tariff Section 8.2.3, this has not been occurring. Instead, FBC has become aware that its EV charging vendor's payment platform has been including GST embedded within the interim rate being charged to customers, meaning the EV charging revenues have been under collecting as compared to the interim rate.

FBC is currently working with its EV charging vendor to implement a resolution by September 30, 2021, and will send a follow up letter to the BCUC on the status of this matter shortly thereafter.

The table below details the change to the billed amount (based on a 30 minute charging session) that customers will experience once this issue is resolved as well as the estimated under collection that has occurred from January 12, 2018 to August 31, 2021.

Rate Schedule	Interim approved rate (\$/30 minutes)	Average Charging Session (min/session) ¹	GST Tax	Bill with correctly applied tax (\$/average session ¹)	Bill with incorrectly applied tax (\$/average session ¹)	Estimated Revenue Impact from January 1, 2018 – August 31, 2021 (\$)
96	\$9.00	30	5%	\$9.45	\$9.00	\$4,000

As noted in the Application, due to the point-of-sale nature of the EV DCFC service, FBC does not have the ability to track users of the charging service and, therefore, can only adjust rates on a prospective basis. FBC has confirmed there is no impact to the applied for 50 kW rates as a result of this relatively small variance.

Since 2018, both expenses and revenues have been accounted for in FBC's non-regulated books pursuant to BCUC Order G-9-18. If the BCUC approves the Application as applied for, the assets associated with the EV charging stations, and related revenues and expenses including the revenue variance noted above, will be reflected in FBC's regulated accounts. The revenue variance resulting from this administrative error will be recovered from all customers through FBC's revenue requirements through its Annual Review process under the 2020-2024 Multi-Year Rate Plan.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC INC.

Original signed:

Diane Roy

cc (email only): Registered Interveners

¹ Exhibit B-5, page 13.