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

Dear Mr. Wruck:

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

**Project No. 1599244**

**2021 Long-Term Electric Resource Plan (LTERP) and Long-Term Demand-Side Management Plan (LT DSM Plan) (Application)**

**FBC Comments on Residential Consumer Intervener Association (RCIA) Notice of Intent to File Evidence**

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FBC writes to provide its comments further to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) letter dated January 13, 2022 (Exhibit A-7) and the RCIA's Notice of Intent to file Evidence (Exhibit C8-3) and additional information filed on January 20, 2022 (Exhibit C8-4).

FBC has no objection to the RCIA being granted the opportunity to file intervener evidence as described in its Exhibit C8-4. FBC believes that a round of information requests (IRs) on RCIA's evidence is appropriate and FBC requests that it be afforded the opportunity to file Rebuttal Evidence if it determines a need to do so after review of RCIA's intervener evidence and response to IRs.

FBC submits that the evidentiary record thus far is robust, including FBC's Application and its responses to approximately 700 IRs in round one. Nonetheless, FBC believes it is likely that the BCUC and interveners may have outstanding or clarifying questions they wish to ask. Therefore, FBC considers that a second round of IRs would be appropriate, as is typical for resource plan processes. Further, FBC submits that RCIA's intervener evidence filing should follow the second round of information requests on FBC's Application.

Giving consideration to timetables established in other ongoing BCUC processes and avoiding spring break, FBC proposes the following timetable for the remainder of the regulatory review process for the Application for the BCUC's consideration.

Action	Dates (2022)
BCUC IR No. 2 to FBC	Tuesday, February 15
Intervener IR No. 2 to FBC	Tuesday, February 22
FBC Response to IRs No. 2	Tuesday, March 29
Intervener Evidence	Tuesday, April 5
BCUC and Intervener IR No. 1 on RCIA Evidence	Thursday, April 21
RCIA Response to IRs on Evidence	Thursday, May 12
Rebuttal Evidence (if required)	Thursday, May 26
FBC Written Final Argument	Thursday, June 16
Intervener Final Written Argument	Thursday, July 7
FBC Written Reply Argument	Thursday, July 28

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

**FORTISBC INC.**

***Original signed:***

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cc (email only): Registered Parties