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FBC EV WORKPLACE AND FLEET CHARGING FUNDING
DEFERRAL ACCOUNT EXHIBIT A-2

Ms. Diane Roy
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Re: FortisBC Inc. (FBC) – Application for Approval of a Deferral Account for Electric Vehicle Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding – Regulatory Timetable

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your May 13, 2022 filing of the above-noted matter, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-152-22 establishing a regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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ORDER NUMBER
G-152-22

IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Inc.

Application for Approval of a Deferral Account for Electric Vehicle Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding

BEFORE:

B. Lockhart, Panel Chair
A.K. Fung, QC, Commissioner

on June 6, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On May 13, 2022, FortisBC Inc. (FBC) filed an Application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), for the approval of a new non-rate base deferral account (Electric Vehicle (EV) Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account) for the EV Fleet Charging Funding Program (Program) pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) (Application);
- B. FBC is of the view that the Program is consistent with section 18 of the *Clean Energy Act*, as a prescribed undertaking under section 4 of the Province's Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation;
- C. The Program will provide funding to organizations to assist in the acquisition and installation of EV charging infrastructure to encourage the use of EVs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. FBC proposes a one-time, non-repayable contribution of \$2,150 per Level 2 EV charger, capped at seven chargers per site (According to FBC, Level 2 charging is the level most commonly used for daily EV charging, adding 20–130 kilometers of range per hour and uses 208/240 volts.);
- D. In the Application, FBC seeks approval of a new non-rate base deferral account called the EV Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account, attracting allowance for funds used during construction to capture all costs incurred to implement the undertaking, including the funding itself, as well as administration, and regulatory proceeding costs; and
- E. The BCUC has commenced review of the Application and considers that establishing a regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

1. A public hearing for the review of the Application is established, as set out in the regulatory timetable attached as Appendix A to this order (Regulatory Timetable).
2. FBC must provide a copy of this order, electronically where possible, within 10 days of the date of this order, to all registered interveners in the FBC Rate Design and Rates for Electric Vehicle Direct Current Fast Charging Service Proceeding and BC Hydro Public Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Rate Proceeding.
3. FBC is to publish in print/display-ad format, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than Thursday, June 23, 2022, the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order, in such appropriate news publications as may properly provide adequate notice to the public in the affected service areas.
4. FBC is directed to publish the Public Notice in Appendix B to this order, on all of its current social media platforms, on or before Thursday, June 23, 2022. Weekly reminder posts that include the Public Notice must be published on each of these platforms until the conclusion of the intervener registration period on Thursday, July 7, 2022.
5. FBC is directed to provide confirmation of compliance with Directives 2, 3, and 4 by Friday, June 24, 2022. Such confirmation shall include confirmation of the Public Notice published in news publications in the affected service areas and on FBC's website and current social media platforms, as well as a list of all parties notified.
6. In accordance with BCUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, parties who wish to participate as interveners in this regulatory proceeding are to register with the BCUC by completing a Request to Intervene Form, available on the BCUC's website at <https://www.bcuc.com/GetInvolved/GetInvolvedProceeding>, by the date established in the Regulatory Timetable. Parties wishing to register as interested parties or file letters of comment must also do so by the dates established in the Regulatory Timetable. Parties requesting intervener status are to specifically state the nature of their interest in the Application and identify the issues that they intend to pursue and the extent of their anticipated involvement in the proceeding.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th day of June 2022.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. Lockhart
Commissioner

Attachment

Fortis BC Inc.
Application for Approval of a Deferral Account for Electric Vehicle Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2022)
FBC to publish and provide notice of the Application	Thursday, June 23
FBC to provide confirmation to the BCUC re: Public Notice	Friday, June 24
Intervener and interested party registration	Thursday, July 7
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to FBC	Tuesday, July 19
Intervener IR No. 1 to FBC	Tuesday, July 26
FBC responses to BCUC and Intervener IR No. 1	Tuesday, August 23
Letters of comment	Tuesday, August 23
Further process	To be determined



We want to hear from you

FortisBC Electric Vehicle Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding Deferral Account Application

On May 13, 2022, FortisBC Inc. (FBC) submitted its application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) requesting approval of a new non-rate base deferral account (Electric Vehicle (EV) Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account) to capture all costs incurred to implement its EV Workplace and Fleet Charging Program (Program). The Program will provide funding to organizations to assist in the acquisition and installation of EV charging infrastructure to encourage the use of EVs as opposed to vehicles that use other sources of energy with greater greenhouse gas emissions, such as gasoline or diesel fuel.

FBC is proposing a one-time, non-repayable contribution of \$2,150 to the organizations for each Level 2 EV charger, to a maximum of seven chargers per site. The costs of this program are proposed to be captured through the new EV Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account. The Program is designed to be a prescribed undertaking pursuant to section 18 of the *Clean Energy Act* by meeting the requirements of the undertaking prescribed in section 4 of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- **Request intervener status**
- **Register as an interested party**
- **Submit a letter of comment**

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, July 7, 2022 – Deadline to request intervener status or register as an interested party with the BCUC

Tuesday, August 23, 2022 – Deadline to file a letter of comment with the BCUC

For more information about getting involved, please visit our website at www.bcuc.com/get-involved or contact us at the information below.

GET MORE INFORMATION

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