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FORTISBC INC. LARGE COMMERCIAL INTERRUPTIBLE RATE EXHIBIT A-3
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Ms. Diane Roy
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Re: FortisBC Inc. (FBC) – Application for Approval of a Large Commercial Interruptible Rate – Regulatory Timetable

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your July 6, 2022 filing of the above-noted matter, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-226-22 establishing a regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Sara Hardgrave
Acting Commission Secretary

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ORDER NUMBER
G-226-22

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

and

FortisBC Inc.

Application for Approval of a Large Commercial Interruptible Rate and Rate Schedule

BEFORE:

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

on August 12, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 6, 2022, FortisBC Inc. (FBC) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), for approval to establish a new rate and Rate Schedule (RS) 38 for the Large Commercial Interruptible Rate (LCIR) for Large Commercial electricity customers (Application);
- B. The RS 38 LCIR would be available to new or existing customers who would otherwise be eligible to receive electricity service under either RS 30 - Large Commercial Service - Primary or RS 31 - Large Commercial Service - Transmission, which provides non-firm interruptible electricity service under a set of certain defined circumstances;
- C. By letter dated August 3, 2022 (Exhibit A-2), the BCUC requested FBC to file supplemental information and to provide notice of the Application, along with a copy of the letter to the following groups: all registered interveners in the FBC Annual Review for 2022 Rates Application proceeding, FBC's RS 30 customers, FBC's RS 31 customers, and all attendees in FBC's LCIR Customer Engagement sessions listed in Table 6-1 of the Application (Exhibit B-1);
- D. The BCUC has commenced review of the Application and considers that the establishment of a written public hearing is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. A written public hearing process is established for the review of the FBC Application in accordance with the regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A to this order.
2. As soon as reasonably possible, FBC must publish the Application, this order, and the regulatory timetable on its website and provide a copy of this order and the Application, electronically where possible, to the following:
 - a) All customers served under RS 30 and RS 31, as well as consultation process participants as described in Section 5 of the Application; and
 - b) Registered interveners in the FBC Annual Review for 2022 Rates proceeding.
3. FBC must publish the Public Notice, attached as Appendix B to this order, to its social media platforms, on or before Tuesday, August 16, 2022. FBC must also publish weekly reminder notices on each of its platforms until the conclusion of the intervener registration period on Wednesday, September 7, 2022.
4. Parties who wish to actively participate in the proceeding are to register with the BCUC by completing a [Request to Intervene form](https://www.bcuc.com/get-involved/get-involved-proceeding.html), available on the BCUC's website at <https://www.bcuc.com/get-involved/get-involved-proceeding.html>, by the date established in the regulatory timetable, and in accordance with the BCUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure attached to Order G-178-22.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 12th day of August 2022.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Inc.
Application for Approval of a Large Commercial Interruptible Rate and Rate Schedule

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2022)
FBC files Supplemental Information	Wednesday, August 31
Intervener registration deadline	Wednesday, September 7
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to FBC	Wednesday, September 21
Intervener IR No. 1 to FBC	Wednesday, September 28
FBC responses to IRs No. 1	Wednesday, October 26
Further Process	To Be Determined



We want to hear from you

FortisBC Inc. Application for New Large Commercial Interruptible Rate

On July 6, 2022, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) initiated a public hearing process to review FortisBC Inc.'s (FortisBC) application for a new Large Commercial Interruptible Rate. FortisBC is seeking approval of a new service and rate offering to its Large Commercial customers. If approved, the new Large Commercial Interruptible Rate will provide non-firm, interruptible service at a market-based rate according to the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) Day Ahead Mid-Columbia (Mid-C) Index.

The proposed new rate would affect FortisBC customers who are eligible to receive service under the current rates (Rate Schedules 30 and 31) for Large Commercial Service customers. These customers could choose to take service under the proposed Large Commercial Interruptible Rate, which is optional. The BCUC is inviting those interested in the proceeding to participate in our review process.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

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

IMPORTANT DATES

1. **Wednesday, September 7, 2022** – Deadline to register as an intervener with the BCUC

For more information about the Application, please visit the [Proceeding Webpage](#) on bcuc.com under "Our Work – Proceedings". To learn more 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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