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British Columbia Utilities Commission Suite 410, 900 Howe Street Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Attention: Mr. Patrick Wruck, Commission Secretary and Manager, Regulatory Support

Dear Mr. Wruck:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)

**Project No. 1598988** 

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Inland Gas Upgrades Project (Application)

**FEI Procedural Conference Request** 

FEI writes in response to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) letter dated June 27, 2019 (Exhibit A-11) regarding the July 10, 2019 procedural conference for the Inland Gas Upgrades Project (IGU Project). FEI has carefully considered the items raised in the BCUC's letter, and believes that there is value to the Panel and interveners to hear FEI's responses to the issues raised, in person. FEI is of the view that allowing an opportunity for dialogue and discussion will provide clarity and an overall better understanding the IGU Project generally and the need specifically, given the issues identified. FEI submits that, for regulatory efficiency and procedural fairness, it should be afforded the opportunity to respond to the issues identified by the Panel in order to help interveners make informed submissions prior to the Panel making a decision on further process.

Therefore, FEI requests that at the commencement of the Procedural Conference scheduled July 10, 2019, that FEI be allowed to make a presentation specifically to address the identified issues by the Panel. FEI is also prepared to answer questions with respect to the presentation and its evidence as required. In addition, FEI will make available its experts from JANA Corporation to respond to questions as needed.

FEI believes that its presentation will assist and inform procedural submissions from all parties. As such, FEI proposes commencing at 9:00 am with its presentation and questions from participants, followed by a sufficient break (1 ½ to 2 hours), to allow parties to take into

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consideration the presentation and discussion, and following the break the parties will make their submissions on process.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed:

**Doug Slater** 

cc (email only): Registered Parties