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

Attention: Ms. Marija Tresoglavic, Acting Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Tresoglavic:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)

**Project No. 1599129** 

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for the Pattullo Gas Line Replacement Project (Application)

**FEI Submission on Further Process** 

FEI provides these submissions on further process in accordance with British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) Order G-253-20.

FEI submits that a written process consisting of a second round of information requests (IRs), followed by written arguments, would be reasonable and sufficient for this proceeding. The need for the proposed Pattullo Gas Line Replacement Project is clear and has already been thoroughly explored in the first round of IRs. The feasible alternatives to meet the need are limited to two routes through the City of Burnaby, and FEI's proposed route for the new gas line is the superior option and the only one that the City will support. FEI's evidence, including its amended Application and responses to IRs to date, has been clear, thorough and responsive. Given these factors, FEI submits that a written process, as set out below, provides ample opportunity for the evidentiary record to be completed.

FEI proposes a regulatory timetable as set out below.

Action	Date (2021)
BCUC and Intervener IR2	Thursday, January 14
FEI Responses to BCUC and Intervener IR2	Thursday, February 11
FEI Written Final Argument	Thursday, March 4
Intervener Written Final Argument	Thursday, March 18
FEI Written Reply Argument	Thursday, April 1

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In order to meet the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's schedule for the demolition of the Pattullo Bridge, FEI plans to initiate the detailed design and procurement for the first phases of the Project in the first quarter of 2021. Therefore, FEI respectfully requests a decision from the BCUC as soon as practicable.

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed:

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cc (email only): Registered Parties