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

Dear Mr. Wruck:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI or the Company)

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Approval of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (Application)

FEI Submission on Further Process

FEI writes to provide its submissions on further process in accordance with the regulatory timetable established by the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) in Order G-204-21, and amended by Order G-323-21 with respect to the above referenced Application.

FEI notes that the evidentiary record thus far includes:

- FEI's Application, which was detailed and comprehensive, including supporting financial and risk analyses of the Project and independent studies reviewing the latest scientific evidence of potential health effects of EMF and the potential impact of FEI's chosen technology;
- Supplementary Information (Exhibit B-2) providing a summary of the process and results for FEI's Request for Proposals (RFP) for the AMI network; and
- The responses of FEI to approximately 825 information requests (IRs) from the BCUC and interveners. The information requests and responses were comprehensive and covered all areas of the Application.

FEI notes that certain interveners took the opportunity to introduce their own comments and materials (including various papers and articles) through the information request process. Although the purpose of IRs, as noted by the BCUC in its letter dated September 28, 2021 (Exhibit A-15), is not to enable the author of the IR to introduce evidence, FEI provided extensive responses in the interests of a transparent and fulsome adjudication of the issues. FEI also notes that certain of the assertions relied on by these interveners has already been tested through the hearing process in, and found lacking by, the Panel in its Decision and Order C-7-13 on FortisBC Inc.'s (FBC) AMI Project CPCN Application.

In FEI's view, the evidence so far has not raised any material issues with the Application. Given the breadth of evidence provided by FEI so far, FEI submits that a second round of IRs then

proceeding straight to written argument provides a sufficient evidentiary record upon which the BCUC can render a decision. Should the Panel agree, FEI proposes the following regulatory timetable, in consideration of the vacation schedule in December, and the regulatory timetables established in other ongoing regulatory review processes which FEI and interveners are involved in.

ACTION		DATE (2021)
BCUC and Intervener IR No. 2 to FEI		Wednesday, December 15
ACTION		DATE (2022)
FEI Response to IR No. 2		Thursday, February 3
FEI Written Final Submission		Tuesday, March 1
Intervener Written Final Submission		Monday, March 28
FEI Written Reply Submission		Tuesday, April 26

Should the Panel consider that there is a need for intervener evidence in the process, FEI proposes the following regulatory timetable in consideration of regulatory timetables established in other ongoing regulatory review processes which FEI and interveners are involved in.

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BCUC, FEI and Intervener IRs on Intervener Evidence		Friday, March 18
Responses to IRs on Intervener Evidence		Monday, April 18
FEI Rebuttal Evidence		Monday, May 23
FEI Written Final Submission		Tuesday, June 28
Intervener Written Final Submission		Monday, July 25
FEI Written Reply Submission		Monday, August 15

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed:

Diane Roy

cc (email only): Registered Intervenors