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October 7, 2022

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

Attention: Ms. Sara Hardgrave, Acting Commission Secretary

Dear Ms. Hardgrave:

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)

2022 Long Term Gas Resource Plan (LTGRP) ~ Project No. 1599324

FEI Request to Amend the Regulatory Timetable

FEI writes to request an amendment to the regulatory timetable established by British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) Order G-222-22 for the above-referenced proceeding.

FEI respectfully requests an extension to the time for FEI to file its responses to the first round of information requests (IRs), which are currently due on November 3, 2022. FEI is unable to respond by the current date due to a number of factors, including the number of IRs received and the number of active interveners in this proceeding that have issued IRs.² In addition, the same key FEI internal resources and external legal counsel in this proceeding are also directly involved in a number of the other ongoing BCUC proceedings. The most significant resourcing issue is that some of FEI's resources for this proceeding are witnesses and support staff preparing for the upcoming Generic Cost of Capital (GCOC) hearing scheduled from November 7 to 10. Further, subsequent to the GCOC hearing, several key resources are out of the country and unavailable for several weeks.

FEI considers that the LTGRP is of significant importance to the future of the gas utility in the current environment of decarbonization and electrification, and that it is important that FEI have sufficient time to adequately prepare responses to the IRs in this proceeding. Given the considerations noted above, FEI is requesting an extension until December 22, 2022 to respond to the first round of IRs. FEI submits that no intervener would be prejudiced by the requested extension.

¹ Over 1,100 information requests.

² 12 interveners issued IRs.



At this time, the only other procedural date that is set for this proceeding is a procedural conference on December 5, 2022. Subject to any scheduling requirements or other considerations of the BCUC, FEI proposes that the procedural conference be rescheduled to January 31, 2023, which is approximately one month after the first round IR responses are filed.

FEI, therefore, proposes the following amended regulatory timetable.

Action	Date (2022)
FEI Responses to BCUC and Intervener IR No. 1	Thursday, December 22
Action	Date (2023)
Procedural Conference	Tuesday, January 31
Further Process	To be determined

If further information is required, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

Original signed:

Diane Roy

cc (email only): Registered Interveners