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CAPABILITIES PROJECT EXHIBIT A-2

Ms. Diane Roy Vice President, Regulatory Affairs FortisBC Energy Inc. 16705 Fraser Highway Surrey, BC V4N 0E8 gas.regulatory.affairs@fortisbc.com

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Coastal Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project – Project No. 1599185 – Regulatory Timetable and Public Notice

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your February 11, 2021 filing of the Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Coastal Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-74-21 establishing the regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck Commission Secretary

/jb Enclosure

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# ORDER NUMBER G-74-21

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

for the Coastal Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project

#### **BEFORE:**

A.K. Fung, QC, Panel Chair D. M. Morton, Commissioner E. B. Lockhart, Commissioner

on March 11, 2021

#### **ORDER**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On February 11, 2021, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed an application (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) for FEI's Coastal Transmission System (CTS) Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities (TIMC) Project (CTS TIMC Project);
- B. The CTS TIMC Project includes the following:
  - Required pipeline alterations including replacement of heavy wall segments and alterations to related facilities that are necessary to ready the 11 susceptible CTS pipelines for electromagnetic acoustic transducer (EMAT) in-line inspection (ILI); and
  - 2. Installation of a pressure regulating station (PRS) on a single segment of one of the pipelines where EMAT ILI is not possible;
- C. In the Application, FEI also requests approval, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, to recover the balance of costs in the TIMC Development Cost deferral account associated with the development of the Application, estimated at \$13.2 million, by amortizing the December 31, 2021 actual balance of these costs over three years commencing in 2022; and
- D. The BCUC has commenced review of the Application and considers that the establishment of a public hearing is warranted.

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#### **NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. A public hearing process is established for the review of the Application in accordance with the regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. FEI must publish the Public Notice, attached as Appendix B to this order, in print/display-ad format in appropriate news publications, such as but not limited to, local and community newspapers to provide adequate notice to those parties who may have an interest in or be affected by the Application, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than April 8, 2021.
- 3. As soon as practicable, FEI must publish notice of this Application on its website and social media platforms, but not later than April 8, 2021. It must also publish weekly reminder notices on each platform until the conclusion of the intervener registration period on April 29, 2021.
- 4. FEI must provide an electronic copy of the Application and this order by no later than April 8, 2021 to all parties who participated in the FEI Annual Review for 2020 and 2021 Rates proceeding.
- 5. Parties who wish to actively participate in this proceeding must complete a Request to Intervene Form, available on the BCUC's website at <a href="https://www.bcuc.com/get-involved/get-involved-proceeding.html">https://www.bcuc.com/get-involved/get-involved-proceeding.html</a> by April 29, 2021 as established in the Regulatory Timetable, and in accordance with the BCUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure attached to Order G-15-19.

<b>DATED</b> at the City of Vancouver.	in the Province of British Columbia, t	this 11th da	v of March 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A.K. Fung, QC Commissioner

Attachment

Regulatory Timetable 2 of 2

# FortisBC Energy Inc.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Coastal Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project

# **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2021)	
FEI to provide Public Notice	Thursday, April 8	
Intervener registration deadline	Thursday, April 29	
FEI Workshop*	Thursday, May 13	
Further Process	To Be Determined	

<sup>\*</sup> To be held virtually commencing at 1 p.m. Active participation in the workshop, which will be transcribed, will be limited to the BCUC and registered interveners; however, any party may follow the live broadcast. Further details regarding the workshop will be issued in due course.



# We want to hear from you

# FORTISBC ENERGY INC.'S APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE COASTAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM TRANSMISSION INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT CAPABILITIES PROJECT

On February 11, 2021, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed its Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Coastal Transmission System (CTS) Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities (TIMC) Project (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission. The purpose of the project is to enable FEI to detect cracking threats on its CTS pipelines. The Application consists of alterations to CTS pipelines in the Lower Mainland area. The estimated total cost of the project in as-spent dollars is \$137.8 million, which includes an Allowance for Funds Used During Construction.

### **HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

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

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Thursday, April 29, 2021 Deadline to register as an intervener with the BCUC
- 2. Thursday, May 13, 2021 FEI Workshop

For more information about the Application, please visit the <u>Proceeding Webpage</u> on bcuc.com under "Regulatory Activities – Current Proceedings". To learn more about getting involved, please visit our website (<u>www.bcuc.com/get-involved</u>) or contact us at the information below.

#### **GET MORE INFORMATION**

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