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FEI RS 46 TARIFF CHANGE APPLICATION
EXHIBIT A-4

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Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Application for Approval of Tariff Changes to Rate Schedule 46 – Liquefied Natural Gas Sales, Dispensing and Transportation Service on a Permanent Basis, Effective April 1, 2019 and May 1, 2019 – Final Order

Dear Mr. Slater:

Further to your March 21, 2019 filing, please find enclosed British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-140-19.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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Enclosure



ORDER NUMBER
G-140-19

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for Approval of Tariff Amendments to Rate Schedule 46
Liquefied Natural Gas Sales, Dispensing and Transportation Service on a
Permanent Basis, Effective April 1, 2019 and May 1, 2019

BEFORE:

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on June 24, 2019

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 21, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) submitted an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) seeking approval, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), for tariff changes to Rate Schedule 46 (RS 46) on a permanent basis effective April 1, 2019 (March 2019 Application);
- B. By BCUC Order G-211-13 dated December 12, 2013, RS 46 was approved in accordance with Order in Council (OIC) 557, B.C. Regulation 245/2013, deposited November 28, 2013, issuing Direction No. 5 to the BCUC, as amended by OIC 749, B.C. Regulation 265/2014, and further amended by OIC 162, B.C. Regulation 115/2017;
- C. By Order G-233-18 dated December 7, 2018, the BCUC approved temporary tariff changes to Section 5.2 (Curtailed of Dispensing Service) and Section 5.4 (Title Transfer) of the RS 46 tariff, effective until March 31, 2019, as follows:
 - Amendments to Section 5.2 to provide relief to curtailed customers from their take or pay obligations to the extent that such customers are curtailed or use alternative fuel;
 - Amendments to Section 5.2(b) which allow customers to voluntarily agree to be curtailed in whole or in part; and
 - Amendments to Section 5.4 to accommodate transfer of title of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to ensure FEI is able to contract additional LNG supply from third parties;
- D. On April 17, 2019, FEI submitted a subsequent application with the BCUC seeking approval, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 and 89 of the UCA, for amendments to the RS 46 tariff and FEI General Terms and Conditions on an interim and permanent basis, respectively, effective May 1, 2019 (April 2019 Application);

- E. In the interest of regulatory efficiency, by Order G-95-19, dated April 30, 2019, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for the review of both March 2019 and April 2019 Applications which included FEI's notice to all RS 46 customers, one round of BCUC information requests (IR), FEI's response to BCUC IR No. 1, letters of comment by RS 46 customers, FEI's response to letter of comments and further process to be determined;
- F. By May 23, 2019, Ledcor Forest Products Partnership (Ledcor), Seaspan Ferries Corporation (Seaspan) and British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. (BC Ferries) provided letters of comment;
- G. In their letters of comment, neither Ledcor, Seaspan Ferries nor BC Ferries objected to FEI's request to make permanent the temporary changes to RS 46 contemplated in the March 2019 Application;
- H. On May 30, 2019, FEI provided response to letters of comment, making no further submissions on the approvals sought in the March 2019 Application; and
- I. The BCUC has reviewed the March 2019 Application and filed letters of comment and makes the following determination.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the BCUC orders that the tariff pages attached as Appendix B to the March 2019 Application are accepted for filing, effective April 1, 2019.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of June 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan
Commissioner