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FEI OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF TRAIL AND FEI

EXHIBIT A-2

Mr. Doug Slater
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Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Application for Approval of an Operating Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Trail and FortisBC Energy Inc. – Regulatory Timetable and Public Notice

Dear Mr. Slater:

Further to your December 6, 2019 filings of the above-noted application, please find enclosed British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-4-20, establishing a regulatory timetable and public notice.

Sincerely,

Patrick Wruck

**Commission Secretary** 

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# ORDER NUMBER G-4-20

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Application for Approval of an Operating Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Trail and FortisBC Energy Inc.

#### **BEFORE:**

R. I. Mason, Panel Chair B. A. Magnan, Commissioner

on January 9, 2020

### **ORDER**

### WHEREAS:

- A. On December 6, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval of an operating agreement dated November 25, 2019, entered into between the Corporation of the City of Trail (Trail) and FEI (the FEI-Trail Operating Agreement or Application);
- B. FEI, through its predecessor company BC Gas Utility Ltd., and Trail entered into a franchise agreement dated May 3, 1999, approved by Order C-9-99, which expires January 20, 2020;
- C. FEI requests interim approval of the FEI-Trail Operating Agreement if a final determination by the BCUC is not made prior to a requested January 21, 2020 effective date; and
- D. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and considers that the following determinations are warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to sections 23(1)(g) and 89 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. Interim approval of the FEI-Trail Operating Agreement and the collection of operating fees, effective January 21, 2020, is granted until the Panel reaches a final determination on the Application.
- 2. A public hearing process and a regulatory timetable is established, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 3. FEI must publish, no later than Friday, January 31, 2020, on its website and in display-ad format, the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order. Publication should be in such appropriate news publications as may properly provide adequate notice to FEI customers in Trail.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

BY ORDER

R. I. Mason Commissioner

Attachment

# FortisBC Energy Inc. Application for Approval of an Operating Agreement Between the Corporation of the City of Trail and FortisBC Energy Inc.

# **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2020)
FEI notice to the City of Trail customers	Friday, January 31
Intervener registration deadline	Friday, February 14
Letters of comment deadline	Friday, February 14
Further process	to be determined



# We want to hear from you

# OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRAIL AND FORTISBC ENERGY INC.

On December 6, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for approval of a revised operating agreement with the City of Trail. The operating agreement between FortisBC Energy Inc. and the City of Trail outlines the terms of administering and operating gas distribution facilities within the City of Trail.

More information on the application can be found at <u>bcuc.com</u> on our "Current Proceedings" page. A hard copy of the application is also available for review at the BCUC's office and FEI's head office.

## **HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

- Submit a letter of comment
- Request intervener status

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

 Friday, February 14, 2020 – Deadline to register as an intervener or file a letter of comment with the BCUC.

For more information on 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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