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FEI - UPDATED DSM EXPENDITURES
2021 TO 2022 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. – Application for Updated Demand Side Management Expenditures for the period covering from 2021 to 2022 – Project No. 1599197 – Regulatory Timetable

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your March 19, 2021 filing of the Application for Updated Demand Side Management Expenditures for the period covering from 2021 to 2022, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-100-21 establishing a regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck Commission Secretary

/dg Enclosure

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## ORDER NUMBER G-100-21

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.

Application for Updated Demand Side Management Expenditures for the period covering from 2021 to 2022

#### **BEFORE:**

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

on March 31, 2021

#### **ORDER**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. By Order G-10-19 dated January 17, 2019, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) issued its decision in the FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) Application for Acceptance of 2019-2022 Demand Side Management (DSM) Expenditures Plan proceeding, approving, among other things, DSM expenditures of \$324.6 million for 2019 through 2022, and FEI's request that funding transfers follow the same process as was established in the FEI 2012 and 2013 Revenue Requirements and Natural Gas Rates Decision;
- B. On March 19, 2021, FEI filed an application pursuant to section 44.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* to update its DSM forecasts and request changes to the approved expenditure budgets for the Commercial, Industrial and Innovative Technologies Program Areas for the final two years of the 2019-22 DSM Plan (Application);
- C. In the Application, FEI requests acceptance of revised DSM expenditure budgets for 2021 of: \$20.735 million for the Commercial Program Area, \$7.913 million for the Industrial Program Area, \$5.064 million for the Innovative Technologies Program Area; and, revised 2022 DSM expenditure budgets of: \$19.800 million for the Commercial Program Area, \$8.462 million for the Industrial Program Area, \$11.871 million for the Innovative Technologies Program Area. The revised DSM expenditure budgets result in an overall portfolio incremental funding increase of \$2.290 million; and
- D. The BCUC has commenced review of the Application and considers that establishing a regulatory timetable is warranted.

### NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

1. A written hearing process is established for the review of the Application in accordance with the regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A of this order.

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2. FEI is to notify registered interveners in the 2019-2022 Demand Side Management Expenditures Plan proceeding and members of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Advisory Group of the opportunity to provide letters of comment on the Application in accordance with the regulatory timetable. Letters of comment must be in the Letter of Comment Form available on the BCUC's website at: <a href="https://www.bcuc.com/forms/letter-of-comment.aspx">https://www.bcuc.com/forms/letter-of-comment.aspx</a> and submitted by email to <a href="mailto:commission.secretary@bcuc.com">commission.secretary@bcuc.com</a> or by mail to the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Suite 410, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

E. B. Lockhart Commissioner

Attachment

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# FortisBC Energy Inc. Application for Updated Demand Side Management Expenditures for the period covering from 2021 to 2022

## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

| Action                                     | Date (2021)         |
|--|---------------------|
| BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to FEI | Friday, April 9     |
| FEI responses to BCUC IR No. 1             | Wednesday, April 21 |
| Deadline to submit Letters of comment      | Wednesday, April 28 |
| Further Process                            | To be determined    |