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<b>FEI ADDITIONAL DSM EXPENDITURES FOR 2021-2022 RESIDENTIAL AND LOW INCOME EXHIBIT A-2</b>
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Ms. Diane Roy  
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**Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Application for Additional Demand Side Management Expenditures for 2021 and 2022 – Residential and Low Income – Project No. 1599228 – Regulatory Timetable**

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your July 2, 2021 filing of an Application for Additional Demand Side Management Expenditures for 2021 and 2022, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-217-21 establishing a regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

Patrick Wruck  
Commission Secretary

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Enclosure



**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-217-21**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.  
Application for Additional Demand Side Management Expenditures for 2021 to 2022 –  
Residential and Low Income

**BEFORE:**

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

on July 15, 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 (2019-22 DSM Plan) proceeding, approving, among other things, 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 July 2, 2021, FEI filed an application pursuant to section 44.2 of the *Utilities Commission Act* to update DSM forecasts and request changes to the approved expenditure budgets for the Residential and Low Income Program Areas for the final two years of the 2019-22 DSM Plan (the Application);
- C. In the Application, FEI requests acceptance of revised DSM expenditure budgets for 2021 of \$50.119 million for the Residential Program Area (compared to previously approved DSM expenditure budget of \$28.476 million) and \$10.323 million for the Low Income Program Area (compared to previously approved DSM expenditure budget of 6.984 million), resulting in an overall portfolio funding increase of \$24.982 million from \$35.640 million to \$60.442 million. The Application also requests revised 2022 DSM expenditure budgets of \$34.816 million for the Residential Program Area (compared to previously approved DSM expenditure budget of 31.383 million) and \$10.984 million for the Low Income Program Area (compared to previously approved DSM expenditure budget of 7.217 million), resulting in an overall portfolio incremental funding increase of \$7.200 million from \$38.600 million to \$45.800 million; and
- D. The BCUC has commenced a 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.
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: <https://www.bcuc.com/forms/letter-of-comment.aspx> and submitted online, by email to [commission.secretary@bcuc.com](mailto:commission.secretary@bcuc.com) or by mail to the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Suite 410, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3.
3. **DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

A. K. Fung, QC  
Commissioner

Attachment

Fortis BC Energy Inc.  
Application for Additional Demand Side Management Expenditures for 2021 to 2022 – Residential and  
Low Income

**REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

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Action	Date (2021)
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to FEI	Tuesday, July 27
FEI responses to BCUC IR No. 1	Tuesday, August 17
Deadline to submit Letters of Comment	Friday, August 20
Further Process	To be determined