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FEI OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN ENDERBY AND FEI APPLICATION EXHIBIT A-3

Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Application for Approval of an Operating Agreement Between the Corporation of the City of Enderby and FortisBC Energy Inc. – Project No. 1599039 – Regulatory Timetable and Public Notice

Dear Mr. Slater:

Further to your August 29, 2019 application of the above-noted matter, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-228-19 establishing a regulatory timetable and public notice.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck Commission Secretary

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### ORDER NUMBER G-228-19

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 Enderby and FortisBC Energy Inc.

#### **BEFORE:**

R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on September 23, 2019

#### **ORDER**

### **WHEREAS:**

- A. On August 29, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval of an operating agreement dated August 16, 2019, entered into between the Corporation of the City of Enderby (City of Enderby) and FEI (FEI-Enderby Operating Agreement or Application);
- B. FEI (through its predecessor company BC Gas Utility Ltd.) and the City of Enderby entered into a franchise agreement dated June 16, 1998 and approved by BCUC Order C-10-98 dated June 25, 1998, which expired on September 5, 2019;
- C. FEI submits that the FEI-Enderby Operating Agreement is consistent with the approved terms of the Village of Keremeos Operating Agreement, and with recent changes directed by the BCUC in Order G-81-19 and later approved by Order G-99-19;
- D. In its Application, FEI requests interim approval of the FEI-Enderby Operating Agreement prior to the expiry of the existing agreement, pending the outcome of the proceeding;
- E. By Order G-215-19 dated September 9, 2019, the BCUC issued interim approval of the FEI-Enderby Operating Agreement;
- F. The Panel has considered the Application and considers that a public hearing process is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** under section 23(1)(g) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. A public hearing process and a regulatory timetable is established, as set out in Appendix A to this order.
- 2. FEI must publish, no later than Friday, October 11, 2019, on their 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 the City of Enderby.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

R. I. Mason Commissioner

Attachment

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

## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2019)
FEI notice to the City of Enderby's customers	Friday, October 11
Intervener registration and deadline for letters of comment	Friday, October 25
Further process	To be determined



# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

On August 29, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for approval of an operating agreement with the City of Enderby. The operating agreement between both parties outlines the terms of administering and operating gas distribution facilities within the City of Enderby.

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
- Register as an intervener

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday, October 25, 2019 – Deadline to register as an intervener or file a letter of comment with the BCUC.

For more information on how to participate, please visit our website (<u>www.bcuc.com/get-involved</u>) or contact us at the information below.

All submissions will be added to the public record and posted on the BCUC's website.

### **GET MORE INFORMATION**

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