



**ORDER NUMBER**  
**G-41-24**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.  
2024 Permanent Delivery Rates

**BEFORE:**

E. A. Brown, Panel Chair

on February 16, 2024

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On February 9, 2024, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed for approval with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) to make the existing interim delivery rates permanent, effective January 1, 2024 (Application);
- B. On December 7, 2023, by Decision and Order G-334-23 regarding the FEI 2024 Annual Review of Delivery Rates, the BCUC approved, among other things, FEI to increase delivery rates by 8.00 percent on an interim and refundable/recoverable basis, effective January 1, 2024, pending the outcome of the FEI 2024–2027 Demand Side Management (DSM) Expenditures Plan Application;
- C. On February 2, 2024, by Decision and Order G-31-24 regarding the FEI 2024–2027 DSM Expenditures Plan, the BCUC, among other things, accepted FEI’s DSM expenditure schedule for the period of 2024 to 2027;
- D. In the Application, FEI advises that Decision and Order G-31-24 has no impact on FEI’s approved revenue deficiency in 2024, and thus no impact to the existing 8.00 percent delivery rate increase for 2024;
- E. In the Application, FEI also addresses Decision and Order G-361-23 dated December 22, 2023, regarding the Okanagan Capacity Upgrade Project and Decision and Order C-1-24 dated January 15, 2024, regarding the Interior Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project. Both of these decisions, among other things, directed transfers of costs from non-rate base to rate base deferral accounts, commencing January 1, 2024. This results in an increase to FEI’s 2024 revenue deficiency of approximately \$0.112 million;
- F. FEI proposes to capture the \$0.112 million incremental revenue deficiency in the existing 2023 and 2024 Revenue Deficiency deferral account and requests to make permanent the 8.00 percent delivery rate increase currently approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024; and

G. The BCUC has reviewed the Application and determines that the following orders are warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders as follows:

1. FEI is approved to make the current interim delivery rates approved by Decision and Order G-334-23 permanent, effective January 1, 2024.
2. FEI is approved to record the incremental revenue deficiency of approximately \$0.112 million in the 2023 and 2024 Revenue Deficiency deferral account.
3. FEI is directed to file with the BCUC revised tariff pages reflecting permanent rates for endorsement within 15 days of the date of this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

E. A. Brown  
Commissioner