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FEI RS 46 APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT RATES EXHIBIT A-2
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Ms. Diane Roy
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs
FortisBC Energy Inc.
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Re: FortisBC Energy Inc. – Rate Schedule 46 – Liquefied Natural Gas Sales, Dispensing, Liquefied Natural Gas Transportation Services and Transportation Service (RS 46) – Application for Permanent Rates and Revised Tariff Pages effective January 1, 2021 – Project No. 1599184 – Regulatory Timetable

Dear Ms. Roy:

Further to your January 26, 2021 filing of the above-noted application, enclosed please find British Columbia Utilities Commission Order G-86-21 establishing the regulatory timetable.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Ian Jarvis on behalf of:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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Enclosure



ORDER NUMBER
G-86-21

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for Permanent Rates and Revised Tariff Pages – Rate
Schedule 46 – Liquefied Natural Gas Sales, Dispensing, Liquefied Natural Gas
Transportation Services and Transportation Service, effective January 1, 2021

BEFORE:

R. I. Mason, Panel Chair
T. A. Loski, Commissioner

on March 19, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 26, 2021, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) seeking approval for certain charges in Rate Schedule 46 (RS 46) Table of Charges for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Transportation Service, the Table of Charges for LNG Service, and the Table of Charges for Transportation Service (collectively, the Tables of Charges), in addition to several housekeeping changes, on a permanent basis effective January 1, 2021 (Application);
- B. On December 12, 2013, the BCUC issued Order G-211-13 approving RS 46, in accordance with Order in Council (OIC) 557, British Columbia (B.C.) Regulation 245/2013, deposited November 28, 2013, issuing Direction No. 5 to the BCUC, and effective December 12, 2013;
- C. On December 24, 2014, the BCUC issued Order G-207-14, effective January 1, 2015, approving amendments to RS 46 pursuant to an amendment to Direction No. 5, in accordance with OIC 749, B.C. Regulation 265/2014, and deposited December 22, 2014;
- D. On May 4, 2017, the BCUC issued Order G-65-17, effective May 4, 2017, approving further amendments to RS 46 pursuant to an amendment to Direction No. 5, in accordance with section 5 (1.2) of OIC 162, B.C. Regulation 115/2017, and deposited March 22, 2017;
- E. On March 4, 2020, the BCUC issued Order G-46-20, approving amendments, including revised rates, housekeeping changes, and tariff pages to RS 46, effective January 1, 2020;

- F. On December 15, 2020, the BCUC issued Order G-332-20, approving existing rates, on an interim basis, for the LNG Tanker Charges per Day or Partial Day, the LNG Facility Charge, the Electricity Surcharge, and the LNG Spot Charge in FEI's RS 46 Tables of Charges, effective January 1, 2021;
- G. The BCUC has determined that permanent approval of the revised rates as described in the RS 46 Tables of Charges is warranted; and
- H. The BCUC has determined that a written comment process is warranted for the review of the proposed housekeeping amendments and the British Columbia Consumer Price Index (BC CPI) changes as described in the Application.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders as follows:

1. Pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, the proposed revised rates as applied for by FEI as described in the RS 46 Tables of Charges are approved on a permanent basis, effective January 1, 2021.
2. The variance between the interim rates and the permanent rates is to be recovered by FEI from RS 46 LNG customers, with interest at the average prime rate of FEI's principal bank for its most recent year.
3. A public written comment process on the proposed housekeeping amendments and BC CPI changes is established in accordance with the Regulatory Timetable attached as Appendix A to this order.
4. FEI must provide notice of the Application and a copy of this order, electronically where possible, to all RS 46 customers by Tuesday, March 30, 2021.
5. Any party wishing to provide comments on the proposed housekeeping amendments and BC CPI changes as described in the Application should provide its submission to the BCUC in writing, with a copy to FEI, by Thursday, April 8, 2021. Letters of comment must be submitted in the Letter of Comment Form available on the BCUC's website at <https://www.bcuc.com/forms/letter-of-comment.aspx>.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19th day of March 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

R. I. Mason
Commissioner

Attachment

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for Permanent Rates and Revised Tariff Pages – Rate
Schedule 46 – Liquefied Natural Gas Sales, Dispensing, Liquefied Natural Gas
Transportation Services and Transportation Service, effective January 1, 2021

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2021)
FEI notice to all Rate Schedule 46 customers	Tuesday, March 30
Deadline to submit Letters of Comment	Thursday, April 8
Further process	To be determined