

Operational Changes: Hold to Authorize and Imbalance Return

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Based on the weather forecast and expectation of extended cold weather, effective Monday, February 3, a Hold to Authorize restriction will be in place across all service areas in the province. A Hold to Authorize restriction reduces the balancing tolerance to 5%. Imbalance Return remains at zero across all service areas. **These restrictions will remain in effect until further notice.**

Please be prepared to make the necessary arrangements on behalf of your customers to ensure you have sufficient supply to meet anticipated demand.

When Imbalance Return is reduced to zero combined with the Hold to Authorize restriction, Shippers are advised not use their inventory as a source of supply. If a Shipper or Group, as applicable, takes Unauthorized Overrun Gas (i.e., gas in excess of the authorized amount), then unauthorized overrun charges will apply as per the applicable Rate Schedule. Specifically, the first 5% will be charged at the Sumas Daily Price. Gas taken in excess of 5% will be charged the greater of CAD \$20.00 per gigajoule or the Sumas Daily Price times 1.5.

As a reminder, you may use your customer's SCP Peaking volumes (as applicable) as additional supply. Please refer to the emails from August 2024 for the volumes issued and use of this service for the 2024/25 gas year period.

We encourage everyone to monitor Environment Canada for updates.

FortisBC Energy will continue to monitor the forecast and will communicate any further operational changes, if and as needed.

FortisBC reserves the right to limit the use of imbalance return or otherwise curtail service. FortisBC continues to monitor the weather and operational conditions across its service regions and will provide as much advanced notice as possible in the event of changes.

Note this posting will be appended to the news flash section of our web site for your future reference: <https://www.fortisbc.com/NaturalGas/Business/TransportationServiceOption/TransportMarketersActivities/Pages/default.aspx>

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