

**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER G-11-09**

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IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application by FortisBC Inc.
for Approval of 2009-2010 Capital Expenditure Plan
and Review of 2009 System Development Plan Update

BEFORE: A.W.K. Anderson, Panel Chair
A.A. Rhodes, Commissioner
February 27, 2009

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 27, 2008 FortisBC Inc. ("FortisBC") filed its 2009-2010 Capital Expenditure Plan ("2009-2010 CEP") and 2009 System Development Plan ("SDP") Update and applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the "Commission") for approval of the 2009-2010 CEP (the "Application"); and
- B. In the Application, FortisBC requested approval of its proposed capital expenditures for a two-year period as it did for its 2007/08 Capital Plan. The 2009-2010 CEP totals, as amended in the Reply Argument, approximately \$178.4 million for 2009 and \$180.7 million for 2010; and
- C. In the 2009 SDP, FortisBC's expenditures in the 2009-2010 timeframe increased from \$150.3 million as originally scheduled, to \$251.1 million in the 2009 SDP Update; and
- D. By Order G-109-08 the Commission established a Written Hearing Process and Regulatory Timetable for its review of the Application and also ordered that a Workshop be held in Kelowna, BC on August 12, 2008, with adequate notice to the public to be published in newspapers in the FortisBC service area; and
- E. The Written Hearing concluded with the Reply Argument of FortisBC dated and filed on September 29, 2008; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the evidence and submissions of FortisBC and Registered Intervenors.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission approves the 2009-2010 CEP, as amended during the course of the proceeding, subject to specific determinations and directions as set out in the Decision issued concurrently with this Order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27th day of February 2009.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A.W.K. Anderson
Panel Chair and Commissioner