



**ORDER NUMBER
E-2-16**

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

and

FortisBC Inc.
Filing of Energy Supply Contracts with Powerex Corporation

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Commissioner
H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner
K. A. Keilty, Commissioner
R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on February 25, 2016

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Order G-61-12 dated May 25, 2012, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) approved Rules for Energy Supply Contracts for Electricity (Rules). The Rules are intended to facilitate the Commission's review of energy supply contracts for electricity and proposed energy supply contracts for electricity under section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act*;
- B. By Letter L-18-15 dated April 16, 2015, the Commission accepted the FortisBC Inc. (FBC) 2015/2016 Annual Electric Contracting Plan (AECF);
- C. By Order E-10-15 dated April 27, 2015, the Commission accepted FBC's Capacity and Energy Purchase and Sale Agreement (CEPSA) that outlines FBC sales to and purchases of capacity and energy from Powerex Corporation;
- D. On February 2, 2016, pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, FBC filed with the Commission Energy Supply Contracts for the purchase of wholesale market energy between FBC and Powerex Corporation (the Application);
- E. The Energy Supply Contracts were executed on December 10, 2015, December 16, 2015 and December 18, 2015 (the Agreements), and were made pursuant to the CEPSA;
- F. FBC requests that the information in the Application and the Agreements be kept confidential due to its commercially sensitive nature. FBC provided notice of its filing and a redacted version of the Agreements to interveners in its most recent annual review of rates application; and
- G. The Commission reviewed the filing and is satisfied that the Agreements are consistent with the AECF, are in the public interest, and that the information in the filing and associated documents should be kept confidential.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* the British Columbia Utilities Commission accepts the Agreements executed on December 10, 2015, December 16, 2015 and December 18, 2015 between FortisBC Inc. and Powerex Corporation. The Commission will keep the Application and the Agreements confidential due to their commercially sensitive nature.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of February 2016.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton
Commissioner