



**ORDER NUMBER  
G-39-19**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.  
2017 Long Term Gas Resource Plan

**BEFORE:**

K. A. Keilty, Commissioner/Panel Chair  
A. K. Fung, QC, Commissioner  
R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on February 25, 2019

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On December 14, 2017, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed its 2017 Long Term Gas Resource Plan (LTGRP) pursuant to section 44.1 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, for acceptance by the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC). FEI is not seeking approval of any particular elements identified within the LTGRP;
- B. By Order G-33-18 dated February 7, 2018, the BCUC established a written hearing process to review the LTGRP;
- C. BC Sustainable Energy Association and Sierra Club BC (BCSEA), British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) and Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia (CEC) registered as interveners;
- D. The BCUC and interveners submitted two rounds of information requests (IRs) to FEI on the LTGRP, to which FEI provided responses;
- E. On August 9, 2018, BCSEA filed intervenor evidence. The BCUC, FEI and CEC submitted IRs on the intervenor evidence;
- F. On October 11, 2018, FEI filed rebuttal evidence to BCSEA's evidence. The BCUC and interveners submitted IRs on FEI's rebuttal evidence;
- G. On November 22, 2018, FEI filed its final argument. On December 6, 2018, BCSEA and CEC filed final arguments, and on December 20, 2018, FEI filed its reply argument; and
- H. The BCUC has reviewed the LTGRP and the evidence submitted in the proceeding and considers that acceptance of the LTGRP is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** for the reasons set out in the Decision accompanying this order:

1. The BCUC accepts the FEI 2017 LTGRP as being in the public interest, pursuant to subsection 44.1(6) of the *Utilities Commission Act*.
2. The BCUC directs FEI to comply with all determinations and directives as set out in the Decision.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

BY ORDER

*Original Signed by:*

K. A. Keilty  
Commissioner