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Sent via email Letter L-5-19

Mr. Doug Slater
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Fortis BC Energy Inc.
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Re: FortisBC Energy – Mainland and Vancouver Island Service Area – 2019 First Quarter Gas Cost Report

Dear Mr. Slater:

On March 6, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) its 2019 First Quarter Gas Cost Report for the Mainland and Vancouver Island service area (Report), which includes details regarding the Commodity Cost Reconciliation Account and Midstream Cost Reconciliation Account.

The BCUC notes that the Commodity Cost Recovery Charge for the Mainland and Vancouver Island service area was last changed effective January 1, 2018, when it decreased by \$0.501 per gigajoule from \$2.050 per gigajoule to \$1.549 per gigajoule via Order G-173-17.

The BCUC reviewed the Report within the context of the quarterly gas costs review and rate setting mechanism guidelines pursuant to Letters L-5-01, L-40-11 and L-15-16. The BCUC acknowledges receipt of the Report and accepts FEI's recommendation that the Commodity Cost Recovery Charge for the Mainland and Vancouver Island service area remain unchanged at \$1.549 per gigajoule effective April 1, 2019.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:* 

Patrick Wruck Commission Secretary

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