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## ORDER NUMBER G-247-19

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for Approval of Receipt Point Fuel Percentages
Effective November 1, 2019

## **BEFORE:**

B. A. Magnan, Commissioner R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on October 15, 2019

## **ORDER**

## **WHEREAS:**

- A. On August 26, 2019, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) an application to decrease the Receipt Point Fuel Percentage at Station 2 from 5.3 percent to 4.6 percent and maintain the current AECO Receipt Point Fuel Percentage at 1.3 percent, effective November 1, 2019 (Application);
- B. FEI's Rate Schedule 36 Commodity Unbundling Service sets out the terms and conditions for marketers participating in the Customer Choice program (Marketers). Article X of Rate Schedule 36 states that FEI reserves the right to adjust the particular Receipt Point Fuel Percentage effective any Entry Date prior to November 1<sup>st</sup> provided FEI first obtains BCUC approval of such change;
- C. In accordance with Article X in FEI's Rate Schedule 36, FEI is required to seek BCUC approval of any changes in the Receipt Point Fuel Percentages and to provide notice to Marketers at least 30 days in advance of the effective date of such change;
- D. Pursuant to BCUC Order G-25-04 and under the Essential Services Model, all Commodity Providers participating in the Commodity Unbundling Service are to provide the Receipt Point Fuel Requirement (Fuel Gas) in-kind to FEI in its role as midstream resource manager;
- E. The quantity of Fuel Gas to be provided at each Receipt Point is based on the Receipt Point Fuel Percentages as determined by FEI. FEI must submit a report on Receipt Point Fuel Gas consumption and collection and request any changes by September 1 of each year as set out in BCUC Letter L-49-08;
- F. On October 7, 2019, FEI filed an updated forecast balance of Fuel Gas Percentages for the 2018/19 Gas Year;

G. The BCUC reviewed the Application and the updated information filed on October 7, 2019 and views that a decrease to the Receipt Point Fuel Percentage at Station 2 is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 63 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders the following:

- 1. The BCUC approves a decrease to the Receipt Point Fuel Percentage at the Station 2 Receipt Point from 5.3 to 4.6 percent and approves an unchanged Receipt Point Fuel Percentage of 1.3 percent at AECO Receipt Point, effective November 1, 2019.
- 2. FEI is directed to submit a new application to amend the Receipt Point Fuel Percentages based on the most current information available within 20 calendar days from the date of this order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

B. A. Magnan Commissioner