



**ORDER NUMBER
G-251-21**

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for the Coastal Transmission System Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities Project

BEFORE:

A. K. Fung, QC, Panel Chair
C. M. Brewer, Commissioner
D. M. Morton, Commissioner

on August 25, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 11, 2021, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed an application (Application) with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) for FEI's Coastal Transmission System (CTS) Transmission Integrity Management Capabilities (TIMC) Project (CTS TIMC Project);
- B. The CTS TIMC Project includes the following:
 - 1. Required pipeline alterations including replacement of heavy wall segments and alterations to related facilities that are necessary to ready the 11 susceptible CTS pipelines for electro-magnetic acoustic transducer (EMAT) in-line inspection (ILI); and
 - 2. Installation of a pressure regulating station (PRS) on a single segment of one of the pipelines where EMAT ILI is not possible;
- C. FEI also requests approval, pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the UCA, to recover the balance of costs in the TIMC Development Cost deferral account associated with the development of the Application, estimated at \$13.2 million, by amortizing the December 31, 2021 actual balance of these costs over three years;
- D. By Order G-74-21 dated March 11, 2021, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for review of the Application;

- E. On May 13, 2021, by Exhibit A-6, the BCUC notified parties that Dynamic Risk Assessment Systems Inc. (Dynamic Risk) has been retained to produce an independent expert report for the evidentiary record in the proceeding;
- F. On May 13, 2021, FEI hosted a transcribed virtual workshop with participation by the BCUC, Dynamic Risk and registered interveners;
- G. By Order G-149-21 dated May 17, 2021, the BCUC established a further regulatory timetable which included, among other things, a round of BCUC and intervener information requests (IRs) to FEI, a round of BCUC, FEI and intervener IRs to Dynamic Risk and submissions on further process; and
- H. The BCUC has reviewed the evidence and submissions and considers a further regulatory timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC establishes the further regulatory timetable as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 25th day of August 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

A. K. Fung, QC
Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2021)
BCUC and Intervener IR2 to FEI	Tuesday, September 14
FEI Responses to IR2	Tuesday, September 28
FEI Final Argument	Tuesday, October 5
Intervener Final Argument	Tuesday, October 19
FEI Reply Argument	Tuesday, October 26