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# ORDER NUMBER F-9-23

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

and

## FortisBC Inc.

Application for Approval of a Deferral Account for Electric Vehicle Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding Participant Assistance/Cost Award Application

#### **BEFORE:**

E.B. Lockhart, Panel Chair A.K. Fung, KC, Commissioner

On March 13, 2023

#### **ORDER**

### **WHEREAS:**

- A. On May 13, 2022, FortisBC Inc. (FBC) filed an Application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for the approval of a new non-rate base deferral account (Electric Vehicle (EV) Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account) for the EV Workplace and Fleet Charging Funding Program (Program) pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Application);
- B. By Orders G-152-22, G-261-22, and G-340-22, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable that included intervener registration, one round of BCUC and intervener information requests (IR), written final arguments and written reply argument, one round of Panel IRs, intervener written submissions on Panel IRs, and FBC written reply;
- C. The following interveners registered in the proceeding:
  - B.C. Sustainable Energy Association and Vancouver Electric Vehicle Association (BCSEA-VEVA);
  - The Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia (the CEC);
  - Donald Flintoff (Flintoff); and
  - Gary Guthrie (Guthrie).
- D. By Order G-11-23 issued on January 20, 2023 with Reasons for Decision issued on March 10, 2023, the BCUC approved the EV Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account, effective January 20, 2023, among other items as outlined in the Reasons for Decision;
- E. The following participants filed Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) applications with the BCUC with respect to their participation in the proceeding:

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| Date   | Participant | Application |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| December 16, 2022 and revised February 1, 2023 | Flintoff    | \$4,662.00  |
| January 3, 2023                                | BCSEA-VEVA  | \$9,080.40  |
| January 23, 2023 and revised January 24, 2023  | the CEC     | \$14,327.65 |

- F. By letter dated February 14, 2023, FBC provided its comments on the PACA applications, stating that it has no further comment in respect of the PACA applications if the BCUC is satisfied that the participants have met the eligibility requirements, the funding days claimed are appropriate, and the level of participation has met the BCUC's criteria and requirements; and
- G. The BCUC has reviewed the PACA applications in accordance with the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines attached to BCUC Order G-97-17 and makes the following determinations.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 118(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

1. Funding is awarded to the following interveners in the listed amounts for their participation in FBC EV Fleet and Workplace Charging Funding Account proceeding:

| Participant | Award       |
|-------------|-------------|
| Flintoff    | \$4,662.00  |
| BCSEA-VEVA  | \$9,080.40  |
| the CEC     | \$14,327.65 |

2. FBC is directed to reimburse the above-noted participants for the awarded amounts in a timely manner.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of March 2023.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

E.B. Lockhart Commissioner

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