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ORDER NUMBER E-13-25

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

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.
Section 71 Filing of 2026 to 2030 Storage Agreement Between
FortisBC Energy Inc. and Aitken Creek Gas Storage Ltd.

BEFORE:

E. A. Brown, Commissioner B. A. Magnan, Commissioner R. E. Murphy, Commissioner W. E. Royle, Commissioner

on October 30, 2025

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 22, 2025, pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) an executed copy of the Aitken Creek Gas Storage Agreement (Agreement) negotiated between FEI and Aitken Creek Gas Storage Ltd. (Aitken Creek) for the period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2030 (Filing);
- B. The Filing states that the Agreement was made pursuant to the terms of a Master Service Agreement between Aitken Creek and FEI dated June 17, 2024;
- C. The Filing contains a Master Service Agreement that outlines the general terms of the Agreement and a Transaction Confirmation that outlines the specific terms and conditions of the Agreement, including start and end dates, storage and injection quantities, and annual and monthly storage demand charges;
- D. By Order G-130-06, dated October 27, 2006, the BCUC established the Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts (Rules). Appendix A of Order G-130-06 contains the Rules, which are intended to facilitate the BCUC's review of natural gas energy supply contracts;
- E. By Letter L-7-25 dated May 29, 2025, the BCUC accepted FEI's Annual Contracting Plan for the 2025/2026 gas year commencing November 1, 2025 and ending October 31, 2026;
- F. On October 27, 2025, in response to BCUC staff questions, FEI filed with the BCUC a newly executed revised Transaction Confirmation (Revised Transaction Confirmation) to correct the reference to the execution date of the Master Service Agreement, which now reads as June 17, 2024, and the units of the Monthly Storage Demand Charge, which now reads as \$;

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- G. FEI requests that the Filing and associated documents remain confidential in perpetuity due to their commercially sensitive nature; and
- H. The BCUC has reviewed the Filing and considers the following determinations are warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the Rules, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The Agreement between FEI and Aitken Creek, including the Master Service Agreement and Revised Transaction Confirmation, is accepted as filed.
- 2. The Filing will be kept confidential unless the BCUC determines otherwise.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 30th day of October 2025.

BY ORDER

Electronically signed by Wendy Royle

W. E. Royle Commissioner

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