



SIXTH FLOOR, 900 HOWE STREET, BOX 250  
VANCOUVER, BC V6Z 2N3 CANADA  
web site: <http://www.bcuc.com>

**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER G-101-14**

TELEPHONE: (604) 660-4700  
BC TOLL FREE: 1-800-663-1385  
FACSIMILE: (604) 660-1102

IN THE MATTER OF  
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

FortisBC Energy Inc.  
Application for Amendments to FEI Rate Schedules 1B, 2B, and 3B  
Regarding Biomethane Blends Available, and  
for Approval of a New Biomethane Service Offering  
FEI Rate Schedule 5B – General Firm Biomethane Service  
Effective August 1, 2014

**BEFORE:** D.M. Morton, Commissioner  
H.G. Harowitz, Commissioner  
K.A. Keilty, Commissioner July 24, 2014  
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner  
I.F. MacPhail, Commissioner  
B.A. Magnan, Commissioner  
R.D. Revel, Commissioner

## **O R D E R**

### **WHEREAS:**

- A. On December 11, 2013, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued its Decision and accompanying Order G-210-13 in regard to the FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI) Biomethane Service Offering: Post Implementation Report and Application for Approval of the Continuation and Modification of the Biomethane Program on a Permanent Basis, approving the application with certain modifications;
- B. On June 20, 2014, FEI filed an Application for Amendments to FEI Rate Schedules 1B, 2B, and 3B Regarding Biomethane Blends Available and for Approval of a New Biomethane Service Offering, FEI Rate Schedule 5B (Application);
- C. In the Application, FEI seeks approval pursuant to sections 59 through 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* to:
  - i. amend the current Biomethane Service offering by increasing the available blends under Rate Schedules 1B, 2B and 3B from increments of 10 percent to increments of 5 percent, effective August 1, 2014; and

**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER**            G-101-14

2

- ii. establish a new FEI Rate Schedule 5B General Firm Biomethane Service for firm sales service to provide blends of biomethane to large volume commercial, institutional, multi-family or other customers with consumption of 5,000 gigajoules per year or greater, also to be effective August 1, 2014; and

D. The Commission reviewed and considered the Application and determines that the approvals sought in the Application are just, reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to sections 59–61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Commission orders as follows:

1. FortisBC Energy Inc. is to amend Rate Schedules 1B, 2B and 3B to increase the available biomethane blends available to increments of 5 percent, effective August 1, 2014.
2. FortisBC Energy Inc. is to establish a new Rate Schedule 5B General Firm Biomethane Service, effective August 1, 2014.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this            24<sup>th</sup>            day of July 2014.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

D.M. Morton  
Commissioner