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**British Columbia
 Utilities Commission**

Request to Intervene

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a Request to Intervene form must be received by the Commission by the deadline included in the proceeding's regulatory timetable. Please provide a completed form to the Commission Secretary at commission.secretary@bcuc.com. If email is unavailable, forms may be mailed to the Commission Secretary at the address above.

Proceeding name Date

Intervener contact information

Name

Organization

City Province

Email Phone number

Also representing (if applicable)

Representative contact information

Name

Organization

City Province

Email Phone number

Additional information

Please state your reasons for intervening in this proceeding.

I am currently a FortisBC net metering customer and wish to address the issue of the net metering billing practice used by FortisBC to credit me for my production against my consumption.

Please state how you are directly or sufficiently affected by the Commission's decision in this matter; or describe your experience, information, or expertise relevant to this matter that would contribute to the Commission's decision making.

What follows is an excerpt of my letter to FortisBC outlining my particular complaint:

"Pursuant to our phone conversation on April 21st, 2016, I am sending you my official complaint about Fortis BC's billing practices for net metering customers. As I stated in my phone call, I wish to have my April 18th Fortis Electricity bill (and subsequent bills) re-billed on a net load basis (i.e. consumption minus generation and then applying the two tiers). This billing adjustment has already been made for another Fortis BC customer in the net metering program, Barbara Fischer. Ms. Fischer made the same complaint last year to both FortisBC and to the British Columbia Utilities Commission, and BCUC instructed Fortis to re-bill her account. I feel it is only fair for every net metering customer to be treated the same way.

I feel that the current interpretation Fortis BC is making with respect to "net billing" penalizes net metering customers who make every effort to stay within the first tier rate. For example, on my April 18 bill (attached) Fortis delivered 1,733 kWh and received 397 kWh. Subtract 397 from 1,733 and the net equals 1,336, which is well under the threshold of 1,600 kWh. Instead, by not calculating consumption minus generation and applying the two tiers, Fortis charged us the second tier for 133 kWh, and then credited me the amount I produced."

Please list the key issues you intend to address in the proceeding.

Billing practices and interpretation of Section 4

For administrative purposes only

Do you intend to participate fully, including attendance at hearings and submission of evidence or information requests, if applicable?

Yes

Do you intend to request PACA funding? This does not impact your ability to participate.

No

Have you or your organization web-registered as an intervener or interested party in the past 12 months?

No