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British Columbia Utilities Commission
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street
Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Re: FortisBC Inc. (FBC) 2019-2022 Demand Side Management Expenditures Plan Application

Dear Mr. Wruck,

The City of Nelson supports FBC's application to the BC Utilities Commission for Demand Side Management Expenditures from 2019 through 2022.

The City of Nelson and its municipal electric utility, Nelson Hydro, has a goal in its Sustainability Plan, the Path to 2040 includes that we encourage members of the community to reduce GHG emissions and energy use through the EcoSave Energy Retrofits Program. This program was developed out of the city's community energy and emissions action plan, which is part of the overall sustainability action plan. FBC's Demand Side Management Expenditures from 2019 through 2022 will help support the achievement of these goals.

The Demand Side Management Expenditures Plan application includes:

- Commercial, institutional and residential rebate programs and offers that will enhance energy conservation/efficiency uptake that support EcoSave Program, which enables residents to have an energy assessment at a reduced cost, the rebates provided by FortisBC help with the uptake in this program.
- Rebates and educational/training support for Step Code implementation. This will help our community to learn and adopt these options for building more efficient buildings.
- Increased direct installation of energy efficiency appliances/measures for low-income households to reduce the costs of operating a home and address overall affordability.
- Rebates and support that will help to reduce energy corporately.

FBC is committed to promoting electricity energy efficiency and City of Nelson/Nelson Hydro looks forward to the 2019-2022 application's acceptance. I personally have been involved with FortisBC through the EcoSave Program since 2012, and I strongly value the programs, expertise

from staff and the continued collaboration we experience in delivering energy efficiency to our community with FortisBC.

Sincerely,

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