

FORTIS INC
Form SC 13G
February 14, 2018

UNITED STATES

securities and Exchange Commission

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No.)

FORTIS INC

(Name of Issuer)

COM

(Title of Class of Securities)

349553107

(CUSIP Number)

Dec 31, 2017

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing in this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act.

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

Bank Of Montreal

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)

3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Canada

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 25,700,240⁽¹⁾
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 25,700,240⁽¹⁾
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

25,705,740⁽¹⁾

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

6.1262%

12) Type of Reporting Person

HC

(1) Shares are held indirectly by the Reporting Person's subsidiaries, BMO Nesbitt Burns, Inc., BMO Harris Bank N.A., BMO Asset Management, Inc., and F&C Asset Management PLC

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CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

BANK OF MONTREAL

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)

3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Canada

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 4,827,396
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 4,827,396
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,827,396

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

1.1504%

12) Type of Reporting Person

HC

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

BMO NESBITT BURNS INC.

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)
3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Canada

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 13,419,080
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 13,419,080
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

13,419,080

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

3.198%

12) Type of Reporting Person

FI

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

BMO HARRIS BANK N.A.

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)

3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Delaware, United States

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 844
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 844
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

844

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0.0002%

12) Type of Reporting Person

BK

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

BMO ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)
3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Canada

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 7,452,920
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 7,452,920
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

7,452,920

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

1.7762%

12) Type of Reporting Person

IA

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

1) Name of Reporting Person

F&C ASSET MANAGEMENT

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b)
3) SEC Use Only

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Number of 5) Sole Voting Power:

Shares

Beneficially 5,500
6) Shared Voting Power:

Owned by

Each 7) Sole Dispositive Power:

Reporting

Person 5,500
8) Shared Dispositive Power:

With:

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

5,500
10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0.0013%

12) Type of Reporting Person

IA

SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No. 349553107

ITEM 1(a). Name of Issuer.

FORTIS INC

ITEM 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices.

Fortis, Inc.

Fortis Place, Suite 1100

5 Springdale Street

St. John's, NL A1B 3T2

ITEM 2(a). Names of Persons Filing.

BANK OF MONTREAL

BMO NESBITT BURNS INC.

BMO HARRIS BANK N.A.

BMO ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.

F&C ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC

ITEM 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence.

Bank of Montreal

1 First Canadian Place

Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5X 1A1

BMO Nesbitt Burns, Inc.

IBG Finance Dept.

FCP 7th Floor

Toronto, ON, Canada M5X 1H3

BMO Harris Bank N.A.

111 W Monroe Street

Floor 6E

Chicago, IL 60603

BMO Asset Management, Inc.

Royal Trust Tower

77 King Street West

Suite 4200

Toronto, ON, Canada M5K 1J5

F&C Asset Management PLC

Exchange House

Primrose Street

London, EC2A 2NY

United Kingdom

ITEM 2(c). Citizenship or Place of Organization.

BANK OF MONTREAL is organized under the laws of Canada

BMO NESBITT BURNS INC. is organized under the laws of the Canada

BMO HARRIS BANK N.A. is organized under the laws of the United States

BMO ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. is organized under the laws of Canada

F&C ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC is organized under the laws of the United Kingdom

ITEM 2(d). Title of Class of Securities.

COM

ITEM 2(e). CUSIP Number.

349553107

ITEM 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Sections 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
- (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c) Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) An investment adviser in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) A non-U.S. institution in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

ITEM 4. Ownership.

The information contained in Items 5 - 11 on the cover pages is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following .

ITEM 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Bank of Montreal is reporting on this Schedule 13G securities held through its subsidiaries, BMO Nesbitt Burns, Inc., BMO Harris Bank N.A., BMO Asset Management, Inc., and F&C Asset Management PLC as fiduciaries for certain employee benefit plans, trust and/or customer accounts. As a result, participants in the plans, trust beneficiaries and customers are entitled to receive, or have the power to direct the receipt of, dividends and proceeds from the sale of such securities. No such person is known to have such an interest relating to more than five percent of the class of subject securities.

ITEM 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Bank of Montreal is the ultimate parent company of BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc, a non-U.S. institution, BMO Harris Bank N.A., a bank as defined in section 3(a)6 of the Act and a U.S. institution, BMO Asset Management Inc., a non-US institution, and F&C Asset Management, a non-US institution.

ITEM 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable

ITEM 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable

ITEM 10. Certifications.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated as of the 14th day of February, 2018.

BANK OF MONTREAL

/s/ Barbara Muir

Barbara Muir

SVP, Deputy General Counsel

Corporate Affairs & Corporate

Secretary

BMO NESBITT BURNS INC.

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BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A.

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BMO ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.

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F&C ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC

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* Pursuant to Power of Attorney filed as Exhibit 2 to Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2014 by Reporting Persons named herein (File No. 005-59405), which is incorporated by reference.