



BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER C-2-81

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission
Act, SBC 1980, c. 60

and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application of the
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
for a Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity

BEFORE: M. Taylor,)
Chairman;)
D. B. Kilpatrick,)
Commissioner; and) April 15, 1981
B. M. Sullivan,)
Commissioner.)

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS, the British Columbia Hydro and Power
Authority ("B. C. Hydro"), by letter dated January 26, 1981,
applied to the Honourable R. H. McClelland, Minister of
Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, for an exemption with
regard to a 12.8 kilometre, 36-inch diameter gas transmission
pipeline between its Roebuck and Tilbury stations located in
the municipalities of Surrey and Delta, all as further set
forth in the Application dated January 26, 1981; and

WHEREAS, the Honourable R. H. McClelland,
Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, by Order
dated March 10, 1981, ordered that the Application be dealt
with by the British Columbia Utilities Commission under
Part 3 of the Act as an Application for a Certificate of
Public Convenience and Necessity; and

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WHEREAS, the Commission has considered the Application dated January 26, 1981 and the additional information provided by B. C. Hydro in a letter dated March 26, 1981; and

WHEREAS, planning for the Roebuck/Tilbury loop has been evolving since 1974, and this project completes the paralleling of the transmission system from Huntingdon through to Fraser Gate Station which commenced in 1960; and

WHEREAS, the materials required to construct this loop were ordered prior to the proclamation of the Utilities Commission Act; and

WHEREAS, local residents have participated in public meetings which were held in June 1979 and June 1980; and

WHEREAS, B. C. Hydro has advised that without the looping its gas customers in Delta, Richmond and most of Metro Vancouver will be exposed to a higher than normal risk of unscheduled outages in the 1981/82 heating season; and

WHEREAS, the pipeline loop is required to increase the capacity of the line to serve the Lower Mainland independent of the supply of natural gas to Vancouver Island; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that installation of the prescribed pipeline is necessary for the public convenience and properly conserves the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission hereby orders that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be granted to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority to construct and operate 12.8 kilometres of "loop", all as further set forth in the Application dated January 26, 1981.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province
of British Columbia, this 15th day of April, 1981.

BY ORDER

M. Taylor
Chairman