



PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission
Act, S.B.C. 1980, c. 60, as amended

and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

BEFORE: M. Taylor,)
Chairman;)
J.D.V. Newlands,)
Deputy Chairman;)
D.B. Kilpatrick,) April 24, 1987
Commissioner; and)
N. Martin,)
Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
("B.C. Hydro") applied April 7, 1987 for approval in principle by
the Commission permitting B.C. Hydro establish a "Gas Rate
Stability Deferral Account" the purpose of which is to minimize
random increases and decreases in Gas Tariff Rate Schedules; and

WHEREAS the Commission has considered the
Application.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission hereby orders British
Columbia Hydro and Power Authority as follows:

1. The April 7, 1987 Application is denied at this time
but will be considered at the public hearing of your
Revenue Requirements Application.
2. B.C. Hydro is to amend its Gas Tariff Rate Schedules
effective May 1, 1987 to reflect an appropriate
reduction in gas customer rates resulting from the
reduction effective April 1, 1987 of Demand Charges
from Westcoast Transmission Company, Limited
("Westcoast").
3. B.C. Hydro is to immediately establish a Deferral
Account for the purpose of recording, for the period
April 1 through 30, 1987, the effect of the
reduction in Demand Charges referred to in clause 2
above.

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4. In view of the anticipated July 1, 1987 filing by B.C. Hydro of its Revenue Requirements Application the Commission is satisfied that the required adjustments to B.C. Hydro's gas customer accounts together with disposition of the Deferral Account may be appropriately determined during the public hearing of the Application.
5. An appropriate notice of explanation is to accompany all customer bills containing the new gas rates.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of
British Columbia, this 27th day of April, 1987.

BY ORDER



Chairman