

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
West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited

BEFORE: J.G. McIntyre,)
Chairman;)
J.D.V. Newlands;)
Deputy Chairman; and) June 2, 1988
N. Martin;)
Commissioner)

ORDER

WHEREAS on January 28, 1988 West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited ("WKPL") applied for Commission approval and acceptance for filing amendments to Electric Tariff BCUC No. 1 for cancellation of Area III Rates; and

WHEREAS Area III Rates were originally designed in 1956 to provide WKPL with additional revenue to cover the cost of providing service to sparsely populated areas such as Creston, North Slokan Valley and other remote extensions in its service territory; and

WHEREAS Area III boundaries have not been recently updated which has lead to an inconsistent application of rates to some customers; and

WHEREAS the Commission by letter dated April 5, 1988 required WKPL to comply with certain directives pertaining to the proposed cancellation of Area III Rates; and

WHEREAS approximately 1,600 WKPL customers are currently served under Area III Rates and two customers subsequently wrote to the Commission to express their concerns; and

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WHEREAS the amendments will transfer those customers now taking service under Area III Rates: Rate Schedule 5 - Residential Service, Rate Schedule 22 - Small General Service and Rate Schedule and 23 - General Service, to Area I Rates; and

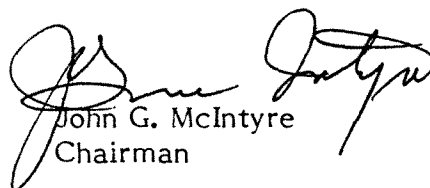
WHEREAS the Commission has considered the Application and customer concerns, and is satisfied that the cancellation of Area III Rates properly preserves the public interest:

NOW THEREFORE the Commission hereby approves and accepts for filing effective June 1, 1988 the cancellation of Area III Rates and amendments to Electric Tariff BCUC No 1 for West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited as follows:

1. Seventh Revision of Index 1
First Revision of Original Sheets B, 72, 73 and 74
Sixth Revision of Original Sheets 16, 22, 23, 24 and 25.
2. An appropriate notice of explanation of the cancellation of Area III Rates is to be provided to affected customers.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 7th day of June 1988.

BY ORDER


John G. McIntyre
Chairman