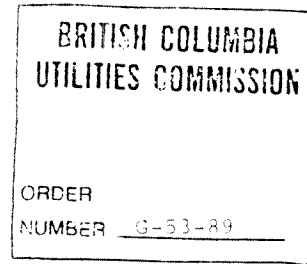




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BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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 Ltd.

BEFORE:	J.D.V. Newlands,	)	
	Deputy Chairman;	)	
	N. Martin,	)	October 26, 1989
	Commissioner; and	)	
	W.M. Swanson, Q.C.,	)	
	Commissioner	)	

O R D E R

WHEREAS Commission Decision and Order No. G-24-89 required West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") to undertake a rate design plan and file proposals with the Commission; and

WHEREAS WKP requested by letter dated October 11, 1989, a variance to Order No. G-24-89 by deferring a comprehensive rate design plan until such time as load profile information becomes available; and

WHEREAS the Commission has reviewed the request and has determined that clarification to the requirements for a rate design plan is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders WKP to comply with the following directives:

1. WKP is to establish a priority ranking of short-term, three to five-year, rate design objectives consistent with its short-term supply and demand strategies.
2. WKP is to identify anomalies, conflicts and other housekeeping matters that can be satisfactorily resolved without comprehensive load/market research.
3. WKP is to identify the key factors affecting supply and demand that require resolution before meaningful long-term rate design strategies, load research and market research can be done.

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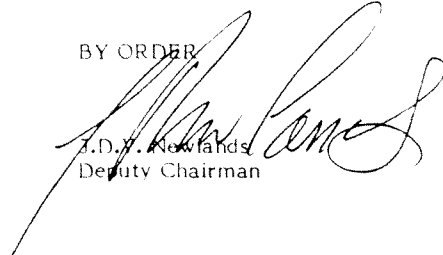
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4. By November 1990 WKP is to identify the earliest test year upon which a cost of service study could be prepared that reflects significant achievement of its supply and demand-side objectives, provide a relevant time-frame for such a study and to provide a range of estimates of revenue to cost ratio targets appropriate to each class of service in the long-term and the essential justification for each of those targets.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1989.

BY ORDER

  
J.D. Newlands  
Deputy Chairman

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