

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION ORDER G-97-91 NUMBER

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

and

IN THE MATTER OF Filings by BC Gas Inc.

BEFORE:

J.G. McIntyre, Chairman; J.D.V. Newlands, Deputy Chairman; and K.L. Hall, Commissioner

October 10, 1991

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 24 and 25, 1991 BC Gas Inc. ("BC Gas") filed with the Lieutenant Governor in Council a proposal for the disposition of certain deferral account balances and a new schedule of rates effective October 1, 1991, pursuant to Sections 9 and 10 of Order in Council No. 953/89; and
- B. On September 30, 1991 the Ministry of Energy, Mines an Petroleum Resources advised BC Gas that the matter would fall under the jurisdiction of the Commission effective October 1, 1991; and
- C. On October 4, 1991 BC Gas filed with the Commission a proposal to freeze the deferral accounts as at September 30, 1991, to amortize such deferral account balances commencing January 1, 1992 over a 12 month period and to set up a new deferral account for the Inland Division to collect a negative rider of \$0.057 per GJ effective October 1, 1991; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the filings and finds that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission Orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves the setting up of a deferral account for the credit balance of approximately \$525,500 effective October 1, 1991, pursuant to Order in Council No. 953/89.
- 2. The Commission approves the setting up of a new deferral account for the BC Gas-Inland Division to collect the negative rider of \$0.057 per GJ commencing October 1, 1991.
- 3. Interest should be accrued on the deferral accounts referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, at the average short-term borrowing rate of BC Gas. Disposition of the deferral account balances will be by way of a future Commission Order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this / 7¹¹ day of October, 1991.

BY ORDER J.D.V. Newlands

Deputy Chairman

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