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

and

An Application by BC Gas Inc.

BEFORE:	L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson; and)	May 18, 1993
	F.C. Leighton, Commissioner)	

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 21, 1993 BC Gas Inc. ("BC Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of a March 22, 1993 Letter Agreement that provides for an amendment to the Natural Gas Storage Agreement with Unocal Canada Limited ("Unocal") for Aitken Creek storage ("the Application") pursuant to the amended Rules Respecting Energy Supply Contracts ("the Rules") and Section 85.3 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- B. The Application will provide BC Gas with an additional 27.1 TJ per day or 25 MMCF per day of supply from Aitken Creek storage effective November 1, 1993 through to March 31, 1998 plus a one-year extension to March 31, 1999; and
- C. The Application will provide BC Gas with an incremental amount of an energy supply resource with costs that are favourable compared to other alternatives and which will have benefits over the life of the arrangement.
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and is satisfied that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to the Rules and Section 85.3 of the Act, the Commission approves the following:

1. The March 22, 1993 Letter Agreement between BC Gas and Unocal amending the Natural Gas Storage Agreement dated June 1, 1990 and providing for an additional 27.1 TJ per day of supply from Aitken Creek.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 12^{66} day of May, 1993.

BY ORDER

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Lorna R. Barr Deputy Chairperson