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UTILITIES COMMISSION

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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 Northland Utilities (B.C.) Limited

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner) January 20, 1994

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 24, 1993 Northland Utilities (B.C.) Limited ("NUL") applied pursuant to the Commission's Rules Respecting Energy Supply Contracts ("the Rules") and Section 85.3 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") for approval of a Letter Agreement amending its gas sales arrangements with CanWest Gas Supply Inc. ("CanWest"); and
- B. The Letter Agreement establishes gas prices for NUL's Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Divisions for the gas contract year commencing November 1, 1993 for Residential, Commercial and Industrial customer gas supplies and for company use gas; and
- C. The Commission is satisfied that the Letter Agreement between NUL and CanWest should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 85.3 of the Act and the Rules thereunder, the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission approves for NUL the November 23, 1993 Letter Agreement with CanWest amending its gas sales arrangements to establish gas prices for NUL's Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Divisions commencing November 1, 1993 for Residential, Commercial and Industrial use customers and for company use gas.
2. The Letter Agreement is approved subject to the timely filing by NUL of formal amendments that, for the Tumbler Ridge Division, include a provision giving NUL priority access to gas production in the Grizzly area that is committed to CanWest, as required by Order No. E-7-93.

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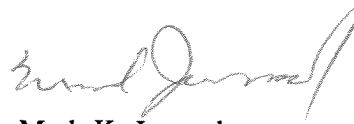
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3. NUL is to provide the Commission with a monthly progress report on activities to bring gas supply for Dawson Creek Division into compliance with the rolling four year requirement in the Rules.
4. NUL is to include consideration of gas supply alternatives, including storage and synergies with PNG supply, in its draft Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") and NUL is advised that approval of the Utility's strategy to unbundle its supply arrangements for 1994/95 will require demonstration, in the context of NUL's IRP process, that this change is in the public interest.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 31st day of January, 1994.

BY ORDER



Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson