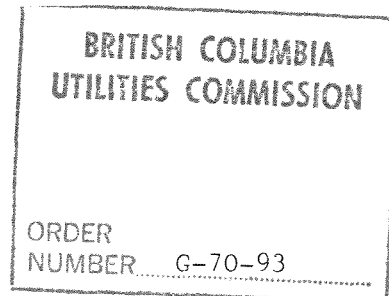




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AN ORDER IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission
Act, S.B.C. 1980, c. 60, as amended

and

An Application by BC Gas Utility Ltd.

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson; and) August 20, 1993
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 10, 1993 BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas Utility") applied, pursuant to Section 67(4) of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"), to recover a 0.5 percent increase in the Provincial Corporation Income Tax Rate that became effective on July 1, 1993 and a 0.8 cent per litre increase in the Motor Fuel Tax Rate that became effective on April 1, 1993; and
- B. BC Gas Utility applied for Commission approval to record the costs from July 1 to December 31, 1993 in a deferral account with such amounts collected to be amortized in 1994; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission Orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 67(4) of the Act, the Commission approves the Application of BC Gas Utility for the recording in a deferral account effective July 1 to December 31, 1993, the 0.5 percent increase in the Provincial Corporation Income Tax Rate and a 0.8 cent per litre increase in the Motor Fuel Tax Rate .
- 2. The amounts set aside in the deferral account accumulated to December 31, 1993 are to be recovered from customers and amortized over the 12 month period ending December 31, 1994.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 8th day of September, 1993.

BY ORDER

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chairperson