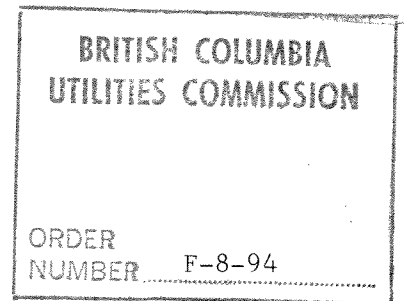




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AN ORDER IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission  
Act, S.B.C, 1980, c 60, as amended

and

Applications by Participants to  
the Joint Rate of Return on Common Equity and Capital Structure Hearing  
and  
Participant Funding Awards - Order No. G-117-93

**BEFORE:** M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson, )  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner; and ) September 6, 1994  
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner )

**WHEREAS:**


- A. On April 5, 1994, a public hearing commenced at Vancouver, B.C. into the appropriate rate of return on common equity and capital structure for BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas"), Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. ("PNG") and West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") ("the ROE hearing"); and
- B. On June 10, 1994, the Commission issued Order No. G-35-94 concurrent with Reasons for Decision; and
- C. On July 4, 1994, PNG requested that the Commission, pursuant to Section 114 of the Utilities Commission Act, reconsider and vary Order No. G-35-94; and
- D. On July 19, 1994, the Commission invited interested parties to provide written views on the Application for Reconsideration; and
- E. Such submissions were made to the Commission, including submissions prepared by Dr. William Waters on behalf of a group of Wholesale customers; and
- F. On August 18, 1994, Counsel for the Wholesale Customers requested that the costs associated with the submissions prepared by Dr. Waters be paid by Pacific Northern Gas, Ltd.; and
- G. The Panel discussed the claim having regard to the criteria and rates set out in Order No. G-117-93.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

The request for participant funding on behalf of the group of Wholesale Customers is denied.

Dated at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1994.

BY ORDER

  
Dr. Mark K. Jaccard  
Chairperson