

BRITISH COLUMBIA 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

A Rate Application by Hemlock Valley Electrical Services Limited and Applications for Participant Funding

BEFORE:

M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)

K.L. Hall, Commissioner

March 18, 1994

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 18, 1993 legislative approval was given to participant funding with changes to Section 133 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") to allow for the payment of participant costs; and
- B. On December 8, 1993 the Commission issued Order No. G-117-93 setting out its Policy on Participant Funding and Cost Awards to participants to its hearings pursuant to Section 133.1 of the Act; and
- C. On January 21, 1994 the Commission advised participants to its hearings held after April 1, 1993, that applications for cost awards must be made to the Commission by January 28, 1994; and
- D. On August 3, 1993 Hemlock Valley Electrical Services Limited ("HVES") applied for Commission approval of a general interim increase in rates of \$0.0194 per kW.h to all customers effective September 1, 1993; and
- E. On March 18, 1994 the Commission reviewed the HVES Application, submissions from customers and replies thereto, and issued its Reasons for Decision attached as Appendix A to Order No. G-11-94; and
- F. The Commission, in its March 18, 1994 Decision, allowed the costs of the HVES Town Hall Meeting and the costs of a consultant hired by the Hemlock Valley Homeowners'Association ("HVHA") to be paid by the Commission pursuant to Section 133.1(2) of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission will reimburse HVES in the amount of \$7,938 representing the costs of conducting a Town Hall meeting.
- 2. The Commission will reimburse Mr. J.D.V. Newlands in the amount of \$5,827 representing consultant fees incurred on behalf of the HVHA.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of April, 1994.

BY ORDER

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard

Chairperson