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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-57-96

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

and

Recovery of Commission Costs

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) June 7, 1996

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. Section 140 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") authorizes the British Columbia Utilities Commission ("the Commission") to recover its expenses arising in each fiscal year commencing April 1, out of the administration of the Act and to fix and collect levies from public utilities and other persons; and
- B. The recovery of expenses is based on the Commission's approved 1996/97 budget and is net of 1995/96 over-recoveries; and
- C. The levy will be based on a charge against each utility's total gross energy equivalent sales for the calendar year ending December 31, 1995 and will be billed by the Commission on a quarterly basis; and
- D. The Commission may adjust the fourth quarter fiscal year billing to utilities to reflect, amongst other matters, additional revenue received or, expenses incurred, during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. A levy, at the rate of \$0.00576106 per GJ equivalent of energy sold for the calendar year 1995, shall be paid by and collected from the public utilities (listed below), for the recovery of Commission expenses in the fiscal year commencing April 1, 1996.
- 2. The following public utilities shall be billed and shall pay to the Commission the levy fixed for the fiscal year commencing April 1, 1996 by quarterly installments:

Electric Utilities

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Princeton Light and Power Company, Limited
West Kootenay Power Ltd.
The Corporation of the City of Nelson
Hemlock Valley Electrical Services Limited
Yoho Power Ltd.
Yukon Electric Company Limited

Gas Utilities

BC Gas Utility Ltd.
Centra Gas British Columbia Inc.
Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd.
Squamish Gas Co. Ltd.

Steam Heat Utility

Central Heat Distribution Limited

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 11th day of June, 1996.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson