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UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

and

An Application by West Kootenay Power Ltd.
for Amendments to and Extension of
Rate Schedule 90 - Energy Management Service

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson; and)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner) July 17, 1996

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 28, 1996 West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") applied for an extension to the termination date from June 30, 1996 to June 30, 1998 for Rate Schedule 90 - Energy Management Services Tariff; and
- B. The Application contained a number of changes including housekeeping tariff modifications, the removal of the vendor's rebate for energy efficient motors, a financing option to provide assistance to customers for energy conservation measures and the use by WKP of the Total Resource Cost Test for individual projects; and
- C. The proposed Financial Incentives Option of the Application would allow WKP to guarantee a customer's loan with a commercial bank for Power Smart projects for a one percent premium on the financed interest rate; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval of the amendments and extension of the termination date for Rate Schedule 90, except for the financial incentives option, are necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for WKP, amendments to and the extension of the termination date for Rate Schedule 90 to June 30, 1998, as filed, except for the BC 21 Power Smart Program's termination date which is extended to March 31, 1997.
- 2. The Financial Incentive option in the Terms and Conditions to Rate Schedule 90 is not approved due to the potential adverse financial impact on the utility and its customers.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of July, 1996.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chairperson