

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Order

Number **G-83-96**

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

and

an Application by Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. for approval of a Decrease in Natural Gas Rates

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and

L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) August 22, 1996

ORDER

WHEREAS:

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- A. On August 21, 1996 Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. ("Centra Gas") filed with the Commission for approval, amendments to Gas Tariff Rate Schedules and rates for natural gas distribution service to retail customers located on Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast served pursuant to the Special Direction and under the terms of the Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Act; and
- B. Pursuant to the Special Direction, Centra Gas surveyed competitive fuel oil markets on Vancouver Island and reported that a change in rates charged to Pioneer Customers including Competitive Range Rates (CRR) and Apartment/Multi-Family Dwelling Rates (ACR-1), under its Closed Rate Schedules, requires a decrease effective August 1, 1996; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval to amend rates for natural gas service to Pioneer Competitive Range Rates (CRR) and Apartment/Multi-Family Dwelling Rates (ACR-1) Customers, is necessary and in the public interest.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders Centra Gas as follows:

1. The Commission approves and accepts for filing for Centra Gas, rates for natural gas distribution service to Pioneer Customers effective August 1, 1996 as follows:

Seventh Revision of Page 1
Ninth Revision of Page 2
Eighth Revision of Page 3
Eighth Revision of Page 4
Sixth Revision of Page 5
Small General Service Rate No. 1 (SGS-1) (Closed)
Large General Service Rate No. 1 (LGS-1) (Closed)
Large General Service Rate No. 2 (LGS-2) (Closed)
Large General Service Rate No. 3 (LGS-3) (Closed)

Eighth Revision of Page 6 - Competitive Range Rate (CRR)

Fourteenth Revision of Page 7 - Apartment/Multi-Family Dwelling Rate (ACR) (Closed)

Centra Gas is to inform all affected customers of the changes to natural gas rates effective August 1, 1996.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27th day of August, 1996.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard Chairperson