

BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Order

Number **G-86-96**

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

and

an Application by Squamish Gas Co. Ltd. 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 22, 1996 Squamish Gas Co. Ltd. ("Squamish Gas") filed with the Commission for approval, amendments to Gas Tariff Rate Schedules and rates for natural gas distribution service to retail customers located in its service area 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, Squamish Gas surveyed competitive fuel oil markets 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 Squamish Gas as follows:

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

Seventeenth Revision of Sheet No. 10
Ninth Revision of Sheet No. 11
Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 12
Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 13
Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 14
Sixth Revision of Sheet No. 15
Tenth Revision of Sheet No. 16

- Small General Service Rate No. 1 (SGS-1)
- Large General Service Rate No. 1 (LGS-1)
- Large General Service Rate No. 2 (LGS-2)
- Large General Service Rate No. 3 (LGS-3)
- Competitive Range Rate (CRR)
- Retail Market Pricing for Apartment/Multi-Family Dwelling (ACR-1)

2. Squamish 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