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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 BC Gas Utility Ltd.
for Approval of a Standard Form Operating Agreement with the Village of Belcarra

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) February 15, 1996

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 1, 1996 BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of a Standard Form Operating Agreement ("the Agreement") dated November 15, 1995 with the Village of Belcarra ("the Village") pursuant to Section 51 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- B. The Agreement initiates a gas operating agreement between BC Gas and the Village for an open-ended term that allows the utility to construct and operate an underground gas distribution system within village boundaries; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Agreement and finds that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 51(4) of the Act, the Commission approves the November 15, 1995 Standard Form Operating Agreement between BC Gas and the Village, for an open-ended term, provided that such determination, approval and grant shall not restrict any regulatory power of the Commission.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of February, 1996.

BY ORDER

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chairperson