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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 Centra Gas Fort St. John Inc.
for Approval of Agreements and Amendments to Gas Supply Contracts
for the 1996/97 Gas Contract Year

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) December 12, 1996

O R D E R

WHEREAS:


- A. On November 27, 1996 Centra Gas Fort St. John Inc. ("Centra Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of gas supply contracts for the 1996/97 gas contract year with Progas Limited ("Progas") for seasonal and winter gas and with CanWest Gas Supply Inc. ("CanWest") for winter and summer seasonal and summer peaking gas for the Fort St. John Service Area; and
- B. The Commission has reviewed the Agreements and is satisfied that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 85.3 of the Utilities Commission Act and the Rules, the Commission approves the following Agreements for Centra Gas:

1. Gas supply contract with Progas dated November 1, 1996 which provides 3,000 GJ/d of winter seasonal gas and up to 5,000 GJ/d of three month winter gas for the 1996/97 gas year.
2. Gas supply contract with CanWest dated November 1, 1996 which provides 8,000 GJ/d of winter seasonal gas, 4,000 GJ/d of summer seasonal gas and 2,000 GJ/d of summer peaking gas for the 1996/97 gas year.
3. Centra Gas is directed to file by Thursday, December 19, 1996, a submission which identifies and justifies the rates that are appropriate for 1997 and request approval of a rate change if a change is required.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 12th day of December, 1996.

BY ORDER


Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson