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IN THE MATTER OF the Pipeline Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 364

and

An Application by Trans Mountain Enterprises of British Columbia Limited for Approval of Revised 1997 Tolls on its Jet Fuel Pipeline

BEFORE: K.L. Hall, Commissioner) December 18, 1997 P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 20, 1997, Trans Mountain Enterprises of British Columbia Limited ("TME") applied to the Commission, pursuant to Section 44 of the Pipeline Act ("the Act"), for approval of a 10.8 percent increase in its Tolls on the Jet Fuel Pipeline, effective October 1, 1997 ("the Application"); and
- B. The Application is required as a result of a 3.9 percent drop in throughput for 1997, and an increase in the cost of service of \$179,000 resulting in a decrease in the rate of return on equity that exceeds the 2 percent trigger mechanism approved by Order No. P-2-94; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that a decision on TME's 1997 tolls is required.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 44 of the Act, TME's application to increase tolls on the Jet Fuel Pipeline by 10.8 percent effective October 1, 1997 is approved.
- 2. The Commission approves for TME the collection of carrying charges on the toll increase at its short-term debt rate.
- 3. TME is to provide all Shippers on the Jet Fuel Pipeline with a copy of this Order and approved Tolls.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of December, 1997.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Kenneth L. Hall Commissioner