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UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER F-4-96

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

and

An Application by a Participant in the
Centra Gas Fort St. John Inc. 1996/97 Revenue Requirements
and Rate Design Application
and
Participant Cost Awards - Order No. G-117-93

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson; and) June 12, 1996
F.C. Leighton, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 19, 1996 the Commission, by the Phase I Decision and Order No. G-60-96, approved the revenue requirements portion of Centra Gas Fort St. John Inc.'s ("Centra Gas") 1996/97 Revenue Requirements and Rate Design Application ("the Application"). The revenue requirements portion of the Application was handled by way of Negotiated Settlement - Alternative Dispute Resolution process and was outlined in the Negotiated Settlement document dated April 29, 1996; and
- B. A registered intervenor, Mr. Craig Haukedal, on April 25, 1996 submitted costs associated with his participation in the negotiated settlement and requested compensation pursuant to the Participant Funding and Cost Awards guidelines set out in Order No. G-117-93; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the expenses associated with the Application and finds that compensation is required; and
- D. The Commission has awarded \$634.50 based on a rate of \$175 per day for 2 days of preparation, 1 day for the settlement meeting and one-half day for review of the draft settlement plus out-of-pocket costs of \$22. While the Commission finds that Mr. Haukedal provided some contribution to the settlement negotiations, it is noted that Mr. Haukedal was unable to obtain the support of any group in the Centra Gas service area for his offer to represent their interests.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission, pursuant to Section 133.1(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, orders Centra Gas to compensate Mr. Haukedal \$634.50 for his participation in the negotiated settlement of the revenue requirements portion of the Application.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19th day of June 1996.

BY ORDER



Lorna R. Barr,
Deputy Chairperson