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IN THE MATTER OF  
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application by BC Gas Utility Ltd.  
for Approval of a Performance Based Rate Plan to  
Determine Revenue Requirements for the Years 1998 - 2002

**BEFORE:** L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair )  
and Chair of the Division )  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner ) June 19, 1997  
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner )

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On February 5, 1997 BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") filed with the Commission its Performance Based Rate Plan and Revenue Requirements Application 1998 - 2002 (the "Application") for approval to set rates for the years ending December 31, 1998 to 2002 in accordance with requirements and rate adjustments as set out in the Performance Based Rate Plan ("PBR") submitted with the Application; and
- B. The Commission reviewed the Application and issued Order No. G-13-97 setting a Pre-Hearing Conference to commence on February 28, 1997. Following the pre-hearing conference, the Commission issued Order No. G-24-97 which included a Regulatory Agenda and Timetable, setting a second pre-hearing conference for April 24, 1997 and a public hearing, if required, to commence June 3, 1997. Subsequent to the second pre-hearing conference the Commission issued Order No. G-47-97 setting down a revised Regulatory Agenda and Timetable rescheduling the public hearing to June 23, 1997; and
- C. The ADR process commenced on June 2, 1997 and, as of June 17, 1997, has not yet been able to reach a settlement on the Application. As a result, the Commission views it as prudent at this time to delay the Public Hearing scheduled to commence June 23, 1997.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Public Hearing into the BC Gas Application for 1998-2002 Revenue Requirements, scheduled to commence at 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 23, 1997, as per Order No. G-47-97, is cancelled. The public hearing into the Application will be rescheduled by way of a future Order from the Commission.
2. BC Gas is to notify all Intervenors and Interested Parties that have previously registered as participants.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19th day of June, 1997.

BY ORDER

*Original Signed by:*

Kenneth L. Hall  
Commissioner