



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

and

A Filing by Centra Gas British Columbia Inc.  
of Natural Gas Storage and Transportation Agreements

**BEFORE:** P. Ostergaard, Chair )  
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair ) April 1, 1998  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner )

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On March 24, 1998, Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. ("Centra Gas") filed with the Commission a Natural Gas Storage Agreement with Unocal Canada Inc. ("Unocal") and an amendment to its Transportation Agreement with Westcoast Energy Inc. ("WEI"); and
- B. The Unocal Natural Gas Storage Agreement provides for the acquisition of  $134.7 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$  of new capacity for a total of  $362.9 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$ , from the Aitken Creek Storage Facility, for the period April 1, 1998 to March 31, 2003; and
- C. The Transportation Agreement with WEI provides for the acquisition of  $160 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$  of WEI Zone 4 ("T South") transportation. The Transportation Agreement is for the period November 1, 1998 to October 31, 2010; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the filing and finds that the Natural Gas Storage and Transportation Agreements are in accordance with the Act.

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to Section 71 of the Utilities Commission Act and the Rules, the Commission accepts for filing the following Agreements for Centra Gas:

- 1. Natural Gas Storage Agreement with Unocal dated March 16, 1998 for the acquisition, from the Aitken Creek Storage Facility, of  $134.7 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$  of new capacity for a total  $362.9 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$  for the period April 1, 1998 to March 31, 2003.

2. December 1, 1997 Letter Agreement amending the Transportation Agreement between WEI and Centra Gas that provides for the acquisition of  $160 \times 10^3 \text{m}^3/\text{day}$  of T-South transportation for the period November 1, 1998 to October 31, 2010.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 4th day of May, 1998.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

Peter Ostergaard  
Chair