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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-26-98

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

and

An Application by West Kootenay Power Ltd.
for Approval of Electric Tariff Rate Schedules for its
Rate Design and New Service Options

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair) March 12, 1998
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On January 29, 1998 the Commission, by Order No. G-15-98, issued its Reasons for Decision on West Kootenay Power Ltd.'s ("WKP") Rate Design and New Service Options Application; and
- B. On March 6, 1998, WKP submitted its Electric Tariff Rate Schedules for approval in accordance with the Order except for the Large General Service ("LGS") tariff. WKP requested a variance to the Order for the LGS class to change the customer charge from \$1500 to \$500 to decrease the rate impact on the smallest customers; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and finds that approval is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves the request by WKP to vary Order No. G-15-98, to allow for a customer charge to LGS customers of \$500 per month effective February 1, 1998.
- 2. The Commission approves for WKP the Electric Tariff Rate Schedules as filed, effective February 1, 1998 for the General Service, Large General Service and Wholesale customer classes, and effective March 1, 1998 for the Residential and Outdoor Lighting class customers.

3. WKP is to inform all customers of the changes to the rates resulting from the Rate Design and New Service Options Application by way of a customer notice.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19th day of March, 1998.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair