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UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
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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 Bypass Rate for West Fraser Mills Ltd.

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair) July 30, 1998

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On July 9, 1998, BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of a bypass rate to its customer, West Fraser Mills Ltd. ("West Fraser"), for its WestPine MDF Plant in Quesnel, B.C., effective with consumption on and after November 1, 1996; and
- B. On July 16, 1998, BC Gas provided the calculation sheets supporting the bypass rate, that resulted from negotiations with West Fraser, and which were based on the standard bypass model similar to that used for other customers and West Fraser's bypass alternative; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Application and is satisfied that approval is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for BC Gas the May 1, 1998 Bypass Transportation Agreement for Rate Schedule 22 with West Fraser for its WestPine MDF Plant, effective November 1, 1996.
- 2. The Commission will accept, subject to timely filing by BC Gas in Tariff Supplement format, a fully executed copy of the Bypass Transportation Agreement with West Fraser.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th day of August, 1998.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chair