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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

and

A Filing by Centra Gas Whistler Inc.
of 2000/2001 Propane Supply Contract Terms
with Link Petroleum Services Ltd.

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner) March 9, 2000
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 16, 2000, Centra Gas Whistler Inc. ("Centra Whistler") filed with the Commission a draft Propane Supply Agreement ("the draft Agreement") with Link Petroleum Services Ltd. ("Link Petroleum") for the supply of propane to the utility grid system at Whistler, B.C., pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Section 71 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- B. The draft Agreement, dated February 10, 2000, covers the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001, and provides for an administration fee for Link Petroleum. An incentive is provided to improve on the commodity cost and a disincentive on trucking costs; and
- C. Rail freight is equal to actual freight rates. During the contract year truck transportation is fixed; and
- D. The draft Agreement is for a forecast annual volume of 26,000m³ for the year 2000, with the option of fixed pricing for all or part of the volume; and
- E. The Commission has reviewed the draft Agreement and supporting material and is satisfied that it is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission accepts for filing for Centra Whistler the draft Propane Supply Agreement with Link Petroleum, commencing April 1, 2000, for the supply of propane to the Whistler propane grid system, subject to Centra Whistler filing a fully-executed copy of the Agreement in a timely fashion.
- 2. The Commission accepts Centra Whistler's request to maintain the Agreement as confidential.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16th day of March 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chair