



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

An Application by West Kootenay Power Ltd.
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for an Upgrade and Life Extension to its South Slocan Unit 1 Generating Plant

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair) January 27, 2000

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 23, 1999, West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") applied, pursuant to Section 45 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"), for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for an Upgrade and Life Extension to its South Slocan Unit 1 generating plant located on the Kootenay River between Castlegar and Nelson, B.C.; and
- B. The project is estimated to cost \$9,990,000 and will replace 72 year old components that will extend the plant's life for a further 40 years and increase the utility system's reliability; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the costs, timing and justification for the Upgrade and Life Extension project and finds that it should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 45 of the Act, a CPCN is granted to WKP to proceed with an Upgrade and Life Extension to the South Slocan Unit 1 generating plant for a total estimated cost of \$9,990,000.
- 2. WKP is to file with the Commission a project report and cost summary upon completion of the project.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 3rd day of February 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair