



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

and

Applications by Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. and
Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. - Fort St. John/Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Divisions
for Approval of 2000 Revenue Requirements

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner) January 26, 2000
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 1, 1999, Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. ("PNG") and Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. – Fort St. John/Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Divisions ["PNG (N.E.)"] filed for approval 2000 Revenue Requirements Applications ("the Applications") to increase their rates on an interim and final basis, effective January 1, 2000, pursuant to Sections 91 and 58 of the Utilities Commission Act; and
- B. The Commission reviewed the Applications, was satisfied that approvals of interim rate increases were necessary effective January 1, 2000, and issued Orders No. G-137-99 and G-139-99; and
- C. Commission Order No. G-2-00 established a Pre-hearing Conference for January 21, 2000, to discuss various facets of the Applications together with a proposed regulatory timetable; and
- D. At the January 21, 2000 Pre-hearing Conference, the participants, including PNG, intervenors and Commission staff, identified issues and established a further regulatory timetable; and
- E. The Commission requires that a regulatory process to deal with the Applications be established.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. An Alternative Dispute Resolution process, with respect to the Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. Application, will commence at 9:00 a.m., Monday, February 28, 2000, in the Commission's Hearing Room in Vancouver, B.C.

2. An Alternative Dispute Resolution process, with respect to the Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. Application, will commence at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 8, 2000, in the George Dawson Inn, 11705-8th Street, Dawson Creek, B.C.
3. A Regulatory Timetable for the Applications is attached as Appendix A to this Order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of February 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair

Attachment

**Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. and
Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. –
Fort St. John/Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Divisions**

2000 Revenue Requirements

REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2000)
Filing of Revenue Requirement Information Requests to PNG	Friday, February 4
PNG to respond to Revenue Requirement Information Requests	Monday, February 21
Alternative Dispute Resolution process begins on PNG Revenue Requirements Application (Commission offices)	Monday, February 28
Alternative Dispute Resolution process begins on PNG (N.E.) Revenue Requirements Application (Dawson Creek)	Wednesday, March 8