



BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-48-00

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IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, S.B.C. 1980, c.60, as amended

and

An Application by BC Gas Utility Ltd.
for Approval of a One Year Extension to the 1998-2000
Performance Based Rate Settlement to Determine
Revenue Requirements for 2001

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner) May 4, 2000
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 10, 2000, BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") applied to the Commission for approval to establish revenue requirements and rates for 2001 through a one-year extension of its 1998-2000 Performance Based Rate Settlement (the "Application"), pursuant to Sections 58 and 61 of the Utilities Commission Act. Included with the Application were a number of stakeholder endorsements to the proposal and reasons to justify an abbreviated review process; and
- B. The Commission, by Order No. G-30-00, required BC Gas to publish a Notice in newspapers throughout its service area advising the public about the proposed one-year extension to its 1998-2000 Performance Based Rate Settlement; and
- C. The Commission did not receive any submissions by the deadline established in the Order and Public Notice; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and evidence before it and finds that the extension should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for BC Gas its Application to extend, by one year, the 1998-2000 Performance Based Rate Settlement to determine its Revenue Requirements for 2001.
- 2. The Commission requires BC Gas to hold an Annual Review in November 2000 for its 2001 Revenue Requirements.
- 3. BC Gas is to provide a copy of this Order to intervenors and interested parties to its 1999 Annual Review.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 9th day of May 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair