



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 to Revise General Terms and Conditions of the Fort Nelson Gas Service Area

**BEFORE:** P. Ostergaard, Chair )  
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair ) April 20, 2000  
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner )  
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner )

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. The Commission, by Order No. G-45-93, approved for BC Gas Inc., presently known as BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas"), a restructuring of its utility assets which included a common gas tariff with separate rates for the Inland, Columbia and Lower Mainland Divisions. A separate gas tariff and rate schedules were maintained for the Fort Nelson service area; and
- B. On April 18, 2000, BC Gas applied to the Commission for approval to bring the Fort Nelson service area General Terms and Conditions of Service into the common gas tariff for the other BC Gas service areas; and
- C. BC Gas notified its customers by mail and newspaper, held a public information meeting, and received a letter from the Town of Fort Nelson and the Northern Rockies Regional District confirming that they did not oppose the application to consolidate the gas tariff terms and conditions of service. BC Gas confirmed that it had provided the Town of Fort Nelson with satisfactory responses to its information requests; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that it should be approved.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for BC Gas its application to revise its General Terms and Conditions to accommodate the establishment of common general terms and conditions for the Fort Nelson service area and the other service areas of BC Gas, effective April 25, 2000.

2. The Commission approves the replacement of the General Terms and Conditions of Gas Tariff, BCUC No. 1 for Fort Nelson Gas Ltd., effective April 25, 2000.
3. BC Gas is to advise all customers in the Fort Nelson service area of the changes to the General Terms and Conditions of Service approved effective April 25, 2000.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this      1<sup>st</sup>      day of May 2000.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

Lorna R. Barr  
Deputy Chair