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VIA FACSIMILE

June 27, 2000

Mr. Robert H. Hobbs Director, Regulatory and Government Affairs West Kootenay Power Ltd. P.O. Box 130 Trail, B.C. V1R 4N7

Dear Mr. Hobbs:

Re: West Kootenay Power Ltd. System Risk Management Report

The Commission has reviewed the above report filed with the Commission on March 10, 2000 pursuant to Commission Order No. G-134-99. The Commission agrees that WKP should proceed to complete the committed projects according to the schedules outlined in the report.

In the report, WKP identified a shortfall of \$280,000/year for the next three years in its power purchase budget that is related to an initiative included in the report. The Commission will consider, in detail, the need for additional power purchases, and how to deal with the costs related to the additional purchases, when WKP applies to the Commission for the recovery of these funds.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

Robert J. Pellatt

RWR/mmc

cc: Mr. Russell Leslie

for the Interior Municipal Electrical Utilities Group

c/o The City of Nelson

Mr. John Hall

President and CEO

Princeton Light and Power Company, Limited