



IN THE MATTER OF  
the Pipeline Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 364

and

An Application by Plateau Pipe Line Ltd.  
for Approval of 2000 and 2001 Tolls and Suspension of Service

**BEFORE:** P. Ostergaard, Chair )  
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner ) June 26, 2001  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner )

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On December 29, 2000 Plateau Pipe Line Ltd. ("Plateau") filed an Application for permanent tolls effective September 7, 2000 and January 1, 2001 in accordance with Order No. P-10-00. The Application, as revised on March 23, 2001, requested shipper volume commitments and approval of suspension of service if commitments were not forthcoming at the requested volumes and tolls. The Application also addressed the incentive tolls from January 1, 2000 to September 6, 2000 and the sharing adjustments pursuant to the Incentive Tolling Agreement approved by Order No. P-3-00 ("the Application"); and
- B. The Application requested that the interim tolls approved by Order No. P-6-00 and in effect from September 7, 2000 of \$4.16/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries to Prince George and \$6.40/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries to Kamloops increase on a permanent basis to \$12.50/m<sup>3</sup> effective September 7, 2000 to December 31, 2001 for both delivery points, subject to shipper commitments of 5,500 m<sup>3</sup>/d for ten years; and
- C. If the pipeline is only to stay open from Taylor to Prince George, the Application requested permanent tolls of \$18.64/m<sup>3</sup> from September 7 to December 31, 2000 and \$15.39/m<sup>3</sup> for 2001 if Husky would commit to 1,600 m<sup>3</sup>/d for five years. The system south of Prince George would be suspended; and
- D. If commitments from Husky or Kamloops shippers failed to materialize, the Application requested the suspension of the entire pipeline; and
- E. Commission Order No. P-1-01 amended the Regulatory Timetable for the review of the Application to provide additional time for the filing of evidence, issuing information requests and responses and rescheduled the public hearing to April 2, 2001 in response to a request by Plateau and letters of comment from Registered Intervenors; and
- F. The Commission has considered the Application and the evidence adduced thereon, as set forth in the Decision issued concurrently with this Order.

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

- 1. Permanent rates are approved effective September 7, 2000 to December 31, 2000 of \$4.42/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries from Taylor to Prince George and \$6.81/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries from Taylor to Kamloops.

2. Permanent rates are approved effective January 1, 2001 of \$4.27/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries from Taylor to Prince George and \$6.56/m<sup>3</sup> for deliveries from Taylor to Kamloops.
3. The request to require shipper commitments is denied.
4. The Application for suspension of service on the Western System is denied.
5. Plateau is to file permanent tariff sheets that are in accordance with the Commission's Decision.
6. Plateau and its parent company, Pembina Pipeline Corporation, are to comply with all directions contained in the Commission's Decision.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2001.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

Peter Ostergaard  
Chair