

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION Order Number **G-104-01** 

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## 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 of Market Factor for Rate Schedules 7 and 14 for the 2001/02 Gas Contract Year

BEFORE:	<ul> <li>P. Ostergaard, Chair</li> <li>B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner</li> <li>R.D. Deane, Commissioner</li> <li>K.L. Hall, Commissioner</li> <li>N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner</li> <li>E.J. Rowbotham, Commissioner</li> </ul>	) ) ) )	October 4, 2001
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ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Order No. G-67-01, approved market based commodity rates for BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") for the 2001/02 gas contract year. Rates for the Daily Index Option under Rate Schedules 7 and 14 included a market factor of \$0.15/GJ; and
- B. On September 26, 2001, BC Gas requested Commission approval of a reduction in the market factor for Rate Schedules 7 and 14 for the 2001/02 gas contract year, to the greater of Cdn\$0.05 per gigajoule or cost, in order to reflect current market conditions; and
- C. The Commission has considered the application and is satisfied that the market factor should be changed.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for BC Gas for the 2001/02 gas contract year, a market factor equal to the greater of Cdn\$0.05 per gigajoule or cost, to be included in the Daily Index Option rate under Rate Schedule 7 and the Daily Index Option rate and the Monthly Index Option rate under Rate Schedule 14.
- 2. The Commission will accept for BC Gas, subject to timely filing, amended Gas Tariff Rate Schedules in accordance with this Order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this *ninth* day of October 2001.

## BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard Chair