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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 to Recover Actual Deferral Account Costs of the Agency, Billing and Collections - Transportation Service Project

BEFORE:
P. Ostergaard, Chair
R.D. Deane, Commissioner
K.L. Hall, Commissioner

April 11, 2002

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Orders No. G-46-01 and G-97-01, approved for BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") deferral account treatment in recording costs associated with the Requirements Definition Phase of the Agency, Billing and Collections Transportation ("ABC-T") Service project up to \$418,000; and
- B. On October 23, 2001 the Commission by Letter No. L-36-01 advised BC Gas, Intervenors and Interested Parties to the ABC-T project, that the project should not proceed any further until such time as licensing and enforcement mechanisms are in place through amendments to the Utilities Commission Act; and
- C. On April 2, 2002, BC Gas advised the Commission that total actual costs spent on the ABC-T project recorded in the deferral account were \$106,328 and applied to the Commission to recover those costs in customer rates over a period of two years commencing in 2003; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that recovery of actual ABC-T costs in the deferral account should be approved.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission approves for BC Gas the recovery of \$106,328 of actual deferral account costs incurred for the ABC-T project over an amortization period of two years commencing in 2003.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2002.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard Chair