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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER C-11-03**

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**IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473**

and

**An Application by Terasen Gas Inc.
for Approval to Further Extend the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
in the City of Prince George**

BEFORE: R.H. Hobbs, Chair) October 23, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Order No. G-39-80, approved for Inland Natural Gas Co. Ltd. (now Terasen Gas Inc. ("Terasen Gas")) a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for the provision of natural gas service in the City of Prince George ("the City") for a period of 21 years; and
- B. Previous Commission Orders have extended the expiry date of the CPCN and Schedules "A" and "B", the gas franchise agreements forming part of that CPCN, to October 31, 2003, pursuant to Section 45(7) of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- C. On October 15, 2003, Terasen Gas applied to the Commission for approval, and the City has agreed, to further extend the expiry date of the CPCN and Schedules "A" and "B" to June 30, 2004; and
- D. Terasen Gas has advised the Commission that the parties have settled on terms regarding a possible Lease-In Lease-Out arrangement and that the City requires additional time to communicate with the public and secure electoral support; and

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E. The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that a further extension to the expiry date of the CPCN and Schedules “A” and “B” is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission, pursuant to Section 45(7) of the Utilities Commission Act, approves for Terasen Gas a further extension to June 30, 2004 of the CPCN and Schedules “A” and “B” in the City of Prince George.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 4th day of November 2003.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Robert H. Hobbs
Chair