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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER F-1-04**

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

**and**

**An Application for a Participant Assistance Cost Award  
Regarding the Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc.  
2003 Annual Review**

**BEFORE:** R.H. Hobbs, Chair )  
L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner ) February 17, 2004  
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**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On November 12, 2003, Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc. ("TGVI") (formerly Centra Gas British Columbia Inc.) filed its Annual Review material and an Application in accordance with the 2003-2005 Negotiated Settlement as approved by Commission Order No. G-2-03. The Settlement required that an Annual Review be held in November of each year to review TGVI's performance for that year and its proposed activities for the upcoming year; and
- B. The Commission, by Order No. G-81-03, approved for TGVI the actual 2002 revenue requirements and customer rates for 2004, pursuant to TGVI's 2003-2005 Negotiated Settlement and pursuant to Sections 23, 60 and 61 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- C. On December 19, 2003, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre ("BCPIAC"), representing the British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization et al. ("BCOAPO"), applied for a Participant Assistance Cost Award for its participation in the TGVI Application and 2003 Annual Review; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the application for a participant assistance cost award with regard to the criteria and rates set out in Commission Order No. G-23-01.

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

1. Pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Act, the Commission awards funds to the BCPIAC on behalf of BCOAPO for its participation in the TGVI 2003 Annual Review proceeding in the amount of \$2,856.70.
2. TGVI is directed to reimburse BCPIAC on behalf of BCOAPO for the total amount awarded in a timely fashion.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2004.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

Robert H. Hobbs  
Chair