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UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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

and

**An Application by Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
2004 Revenue Requirements Application**

and

Application to Recapitalize PNG under an Income Trust Ownership Structure

BEFORE: L.A. Boychuk, Panel Chair)
and Commissioner)
R.J. Milbourne, Commissioner) February 20, 2004
N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 28, 2003, Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. ("PNG") filed for approval of its 2004 Revenue Requirements Application ("the Application") to amend its rates on an interim and final basis, effective January 1, 2004, pursuant to Sections 89 and 58 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act"); and
- B. The Application proposes to increase delivery rates to all customers, except Methanex Corporation, as a result of decreases in cost of service and decreased deliveries to most customer classes and also requests approval of a flow through decrease to Gas Supply Charges for 2004 based on November 26, 2003 forward natural gas prices and forecast propane prices; and
- C. By Order No. G-85-03 the Commission approved an interim rate increase in the delivery rates for all classes of customers, except Methanex Corporation, effective January 1, 2004 subject to refund with interest and scheduled a Pre-hearing Conference ("PHC") in Vancouver on January 16, 2004 to address procedural matters related to the Application; and

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- D. At the PHC, PNG provided an update on its proposed income trust application and by Order No. G-12-04 the Commission established a regulatory timetable and scheduled an oral public hearing to deal with the Application and the income trust application; and
- E. The responses to the Commission and Intervenor information requests and the update to the Application were not filed by PNG by the deadline of February 18, 2004; and
- F. The Commission has determined that an amendment to the regulatory timetable established by Order No. G-12-04 is required.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders that the Regulatory Timetable established by Commission Order No. G-12-04 is suspended and the Commission will issue a revised Regulatory Timetable for the review of the PNG Application and the income trust application in due course.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 20th day of February 2004.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lori Ann Boychuk
Panel Chair and Commissioner