

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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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. to Register a Transfer of its Common Shares to Tricor Acquisition (STP) Inc.

BEFORE: L.A. Boychuk, Commissioner)
L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner) October 30, 2003

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On October 16, 2003, Tricor Acquisition (STP) Inc. ("Tricor") applied pursuant to Section 54 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") for an Order approving the acquisition of a reviewable interest in Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. ("PNG") and its subsidiary, Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. ("PNG(NE)") from Westcoast Energy Inc. ("Westcoast"); and
- B. Tricor is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tricor Pacific Capital, Inc., a private equity investment firm based in Vancouver; and
- C. On October 20, 2003, PNG applied pursuant to Section 54(5) of the Act for approval to register a transfer of its common shares to Tricor; and
- D. Commission Order No. G-71-03 approved the acquisition of a reviewable interest in PNG and its subsidiary, PNG(N.E.); and
- E. The Commission has considered the Application and supporting material and has determined that the users of the service will not be detrimentally affected.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission approves, pursuant to Section 54(5) of the Act, the registration of a transfer of the common shares of Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. to Tricor Acquisition (STP) Inc.

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DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 30th day of October 2003.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lori Ann Boychuk Commissioner