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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER C-13-04**

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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 of an Extension to the Gas Franchise Agreement  
with the District of Chetwynd**

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner  
K.L. Hall, Commissioner December 23, 2004

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On October 18 , 2004, Terasen Gas Inc. ("Terasen Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of an extension to the gas Franchise Agreement ("the Application") with the District of Chetwynd ("the District");  
and
- B. The gas Franchise Agreement has a 21-year term that expired on June 30, 2001; and
- C. The Commission has approved extensions to the gas Franchise Agreement by Order No. C-5-01 to June 30, 2002; by Order No. C-8-02 to June 30, 2003; and by Order No. C-5-03 to June 30, 2004; and
- D. The Application requests a one-year extension of the gas Franchise Agreement to June 30, 2005; and
- E. Terasen Gas requests approval to continue the condition in the CPCN to pay the District of Chetwynd, an annual franchise fee equivalent to 3 percent of the gross annual revenues of Terasen Gas derived from sales of natural gas within the area encompassed by the terms of the Operating Agreement; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the Application and considers that approval is warranted.

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**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission, pursuant to Section 45 of the Utilities Commission Act, approves the extension of the gas Franchise Agreement from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2005.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

L.F. Kelsey  
Commissioner