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**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER C-14-05**

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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 Operating Agreement  
with the District of Hudson's Hope

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner June 30, 2005

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On June 23, 2005, Terasen Gas Inc. ("Terasen Gas") applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission ("the Commission") for approval of an extension to the Operating Agreement ("the Application") with the District of Hudson's Hope ("the District"); and
- B. The Operating Agreement expired June 30, 2001; and
- C. The Commission approved extensions to the original Operating Agreement by Order No. C-11-01 to June 30, 2002; by Order No. C-13-03 to June 30, 2004; by Order No. C-12-05 to June 30, 2005; and
- D. The Application requests an extension of the Operating Agreement until June 30, 2006 or sixty days after the Commission's approval of a new operating agreement between Terasen Gas and the District, whichever is earlier; and
- E. Terasen Gas requests approval to continue the condition contained in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity that Terasen Gas shall pay annually to the District, 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

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F. The Commission has reviewed the Application and considers that approval is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Commission, pursuant to Section 45 of the Utilities Commission Act, approves the extension of the Operating Agreement from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 or sixty days after the Commission's approval of a new Operating Agreement between Terasen Gas and the District of Hudson's Hope, whichever is earlier.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 5th of July 2005.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

L.F. Kelsey  
Commissioner