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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER** G-123-06

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

and

**An Application by Sun Peaks Utilities Co., Ltd.
for Approval of 2006/07 Revenue Requirements**

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner October 5, 2006
L.A. Zaozirny, Commissioner

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On September 26, 2006, Sun Peaks Utilities Co., Ltd. ("Sun Peaks") filed for approval of its 2006 Revenue Requirements Application to amend its rates on an interim and final basis, effective October 1, 2006, ("the Application") pursuant to Sections 58 and 89 of the Utilities Commission Act (the "Act"); and
- B. The Application proposes to increase the monthly basic charge by 20 percent and the delivery rates by \$0.36/GJ for all customer classes; and
- C. Sun Peaks incurred a loss of \$8,786 in F2006 and forecasts a loss of \$19,570 for F2007 if a rate increase is not approved; and
- D. The Commission finds that interim rates for 2006 and a written public hearing process are required to be established.

NOW THEREFORE the pursuant to Sections 58 and 89 of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for Sun Peaks an interim increase of 20 percent in the monthly basic charge and a \$0.36/GJ rate increase in the delivery charge for all customer classes, effective November 1, 2006, subject to refund with interest calculated for the refund period at the average prime rate of the principal bank with which Sun Peaks conducts its business.
- 2. Sun Peaks is to inform all customers of the interim rate increase and written public hearing process established by this Order by way of a customer notice to be reviewed by the Commission in advance of its release.
- 3. The Commission will accept, subject to timely filing by Sun Peaks, amended Propane Tariff Rate Schedules in accordance with the terms of this Order.

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4. The Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at Sun Peaks' office at 1280 Alpine Road, Sun Peaks, BC, V0E 5N0 and at the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6Z 2N3.
5. Intervenor and Interested Parties should inform the Commission in writing or register on-line via the Commission's website at <http://www.bcuc.com>, by Wednesday, November 1, 2006 of their intention to actively intervene in the proceeding, or become Interested Parties. Registered Intervenor will receive from Sun Peaks copies of the Application, all correspondence and filed documentation. Interested Parties will receive copies of all Orders issued.
6. Sun Peaks shall provide a copy of this Order, by facsimile if possible, to all Intervenor and Interested Parties no later than Friday, November 10, 2006.
7. A Regulatory Timetable for this proceeding will be established following the deadline for registration of Intervenor.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6th day of October 2006.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment



SUN PEAKS UTILITIES CO., LTD.
2006/07 Revenue Requirements Application

**NOTICE OF WRITTEN PUBLIC
HEARING PROCESS**

THE APPLICATION

On September 26, 2006 Sun Peaks Utilities Co., Ltd. ("Sun Peaks", the "Company") applied to the Commission for approval to increase the monthly basic charge by 20 percent and the delivery charge by \$0.36 per gigajoule on an interim and final basis for all customer classes connected to the propane grid system effective October 1, 2006 (the "Application"). The Commission approved an interim rate increase based on the application, effective November 1, 2006 by Commission Order No. G-123-06.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS

The Commission has established a Written Public Hearing Process for the review of the Sun Peaks Application.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE DOCUMENTS

The Application and supporting material will be made available for inspection at the Company's office at 1280 Alpine Road, Sun Peaks, B.C., V0E 5N0 and at the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6Z 2N3.

REGISTERING TO PARTICIPATE

Persons who wish to actively participate in the Sun Peaks proceeding should register as Intervenor with the Commission, in writing, by Wednesday, November 1, 2006. Intervenor will receive copies of the Application, all correspondence and filed documentation. A Regulatory Timetable for this proceeding will be established following the deadline for registration of Intervenor.

Persons not expecting to actively participate, but who have an interest in the Sun Peaks proceeding should register as Interested Parties with the Commission, in writing, by Wednesday, November 1, 2006. Interested Parties will receive a copy of the Application's Executive Summary and all Orders issued.

All submissions and/or correspondence received from active participants or the general public, relating to the application, will be placed on the public record and posted to the Commission's website.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Mr. Robert J. Pellatt, Commission Secretary as follows:

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