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MALE NO.

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

and

A Filing by Unocal Canada Limited of a Firm Natural Gas Storage Agreement as a Rate for the Aitken Creek Storage Facility

**BEFORE:** L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner

L.A. Zaozirny, Commissioner October 26, 2006

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Letter No. L-47-06 dated August 25, 2006, advised Unocal Canada Limited ("Unocal") that it had concluded that Unocal, as owner and/or operator of the Aitken Creek Storage Facility, falls within the definition of a public utility under the Utilities Commission Act (the "Act"); and
- B. By Order No. G-107-06 dated September 8, 2006, pursuant to Sections 45, 46, 90 and 91 of the Act the Commission granted Unocal a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity on an interim basis for the operation of the Aitken Creek Storage Facility as it currently exists, and accepted for filing pursuant to Sections 59, 61, 90 and 91 of the Act, five Gas Storage Agreements and the General Terms and Conditions for Firm Natural Gas Storage; and
- C. On October 19, 2006, Unocal applied (the "Application") to the Commission for an order accepting for filing under Section 61(1) of the Act an unexecuted Firm Natural Gas Storage Agreement dated October 5, 2006 between Unocal and Westcoast Energy Inc. ("Westcoast"); and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and concludes that an order is necessary so that Unocal is in compliance with the Act.

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## **NOW THEREFORE** the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Sections 59, 61, 90 and 91 of the Act, the Commission accepts for filing on an interim basis effective November 1, 2006, a Firm Natural Gas Storage Agreement dated October 5, 2006 between Unocal and Westcoast, subject to the filing of the fully executed agreement in a timely fashion.
- 2. Unocal will provide a copy of this Order to Westcoast.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

 $27^{th}$ 

day of October 2006.

BY ORDER

Original signed by

L. F. Kelsey Commissioner