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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. to Amend the General Terms and Conditions Definition of Service Line

**BEFORE:** 

L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner P.E. Vivian, Commissioner

January 10, 2008

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. On July 31, 2007 Terasen Gas Inc. ("Terasen", "TGI") and Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc. ("TGVI") (collectively "the Companies") jointly filed an application ("System Extension Application") to amend the Terms and Conditions of each utility's Tariff with respect to charges for system extensions and customer attachment and connections for TGI and TGVI; and
- B. The Commission reviewed the Companies' System Extension Application by way of a written hearing, and on December 6, 2007, issued its Decision ("System Extension Decision"); and
- C. In the System Extension Decision the Commission directed Terasen to file with the Commission on an annual basis, within 90 days of calendar year end, a Main Extension Report; and
- D. TGI applied on November 2, 2007, for approval of a change to the General Terms and Conditions of its Tariff ("Application") to allow an alternative method of providing gas service to Vertical Subdivision developments ("Vertical Subdivisions"); and
- E. On December 10, 2007, the Commission sent a request for additional information to Terasen and Terasen responded to the Information Request on December 19, 2007; and

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F. The Commission has reviewed the Application and has determined that approval is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves the Application effective the date of this Order.
- 2. Terasen is directed include, in the Main Extension Report that Terasen was directed to file in the Commission's Main Extension Decision, the results of TGI's main extension tests to Vertical Subdivisions.
- 3. Terasen is also directed to confirm that it reflects, in the MX test inputs, the fact that larger developments may require several years before all units are occupied and normal consumption patterns established, and if Terasen does not already reflect that in its MX test inputs it is directed to do so.
- 4. Terasen is also directed to confirm that its tariff is clear that all gas passing through the meter is the responsibility of the customer, notwithstanding that the service line downstream of the meter is Terasen's, or if it cannot confirm it, Terasen should file for tariff amendments to ensure that the tariff is clear in that regard, within 30 days of the date of this Order.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008.

BY ORDER

Original signed by

L.F. Kelsey Commissioner