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IN THE MATTER OF

and

the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

An Application for Participant Assistance Cost Award regarding the Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Mt. Hayes Liquefied Natural Gas Storage Project

BEFORE: R.H. Hobbs, Chair

R.J. Milbourne, Commissioner

A.J. Pullman, Commissioner

March 19, 2008

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 5, 2007, Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc. ("TGVI") filed with the Commission an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to construct and operate a LNG Storage Facility at Mt. Hayes in the Cowichan Valley Regional District in the vicinity of Ladysmith (the "LNG Storage Facility"), and the facilities required for the connection of the LNG Storage Facility to TGVI's gas transmission system (collectively, the "Project"); and
- B. On November 9, 2007, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre applied for a Participant Assistance/Cost Award ("PACA") on behalf of its client, the BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al.* ("BCOAPO") for participation in the proceeding to review the TGVI application; and
- C. By Order No. C-9-07 and Decision dated November 15, 2007, the Commission granted to TGVI a CPCN for the Project, subject to certain conditions; and
- D. By letter dated March 7, 2006, TGVI advised that the costs applied for by BCOAPO are not unreasonable; and

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E. The Commission has reviewed the BCOAPO application for PACA funding with regard to the criteria and rates set out in Commission Order No. G-72-07.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission awards funds to BCOAPO for its participation in the proceeding to review the TGVI application for a CPCN for the Project in the amount of \$14,876.75.
- 2. TGVI is to reimburse BCOAPO for the total amount awarded in a timely fashion.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19th day of March 2008.

BY ORDER

Original signed by

Robert H. Hobbs Chair