

**BRITISH COLUMBIA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER  
NUMBER F-16-09**

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

and

Applications for Participant Assistance/Cost Awards  
regarding the  
Terasen Gas Inc. and Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc.  
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs Application

**BEFORE:** A.W.K. Anderson, Commissioner April 30, 2009  
A.A. Rhodes, Commissioner

**O R D E R**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. On May 28, 2008 Terasen Gas Inc. and Terasen Gas (Vancouver Island) Inc. (collectively "Terasen") filed an application for approval of various concepts and expenditures in support of an expanded energy efficiency and conservation ("EEC") strategy, and to capitalize incremental EEC expenditures by charging the expenditures to a regulatory asset deferral account and amortising the balance over 20 years (the "Application"); and
- B. By Order G-102-08 dated June 19, 2008, the Commission issued a Preliminary Regulatory Timetable which included two rounds of Commission Information Requests and one round of Intervenor Information Requests, and requested comments from all parties on further process for reviewing the Application; and
- C. By Order G-130-08 dated September 18, 2008 the Commission established a Written Hearing Process and Regulatory Timetable for its review of the Application; and
- D. The Written Hearing Process concluded on December 5, 2008 with the filing of Terasen's reply submission; and
- E. On April 27, 2009 the Commission Issued Order G-36-09 and its Decision with respect to the Terasen Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs Application; and
- F. On December 19, 2008, the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre filed its application for a Participant Assistance/Cost Award ("PACA") on behalf of its client the BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization *et al.* with respect to its participation in the Terasen proceeding; and
- G. By letter dated January 14, 2009 the B.C. Sustainable Energy Association and the Sierra Club of BC (collectively "BCSEA") filed its application for a PACA cost award with respect to its participation in the Terasen proceeding; and

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- H. By letter dated February 4, 2009, the Commercial Energy Consumers Association of British Columbia ("CEC") filed its application for a PACA cost award with respect to its participation in the Terasen proceeding; and
- I. By letter dated February 18, 2009, Terasen advised the Commission that it did not find the PACA applications unreasonable; and
- J. The Commission has reviewed the applications for cost award with regard to the criteria and rates set out in Order G-72-07.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 118(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act* the Commission awards funds to the following participants:

	<b>COST AWARD</b>
BCOAPO	\$ 9,326.63
BCSEA	36,640.87
CEC	10,446.17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$56,413.67</b>

Terasen is to reimburse the Applicants in a timely manner.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2009.

BY ORDER

*Original signed by:*

A.W.K. Anderson  
Commissioner