

BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Order Number A-24-12

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

and

An Application by Access Gas Services Inc. for Renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence under the Customer Choice Program

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner B.A. Magnan, Commissioner R.D. Revel, Commissioner

October 18, 2012

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. On August 31, 2012, Access Gas Services Inc. (Access Gas), applied to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) for renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence. The Application for renewal of its Licence to Market Natural Gas (Application) included the payment of the \$1,000 Application Fee and a \$250,000 proof of security, pursuant to Sections 2 and 4 respectively, of the Licence Requirements;
- B. The Commission has reviewed Access Gas' Application and relying upon the information and representations made by Access Gas finds that renewal of its Gas Marketer Licence, subject to conditions, is warranted.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to section 71.1(6) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission issues to Access Gas a Gas Marketer Licence for the period of November 1, 2012 to October 31, 2013.
- 2. This licence is subject to the following conditions:
  - a. Access Gas will carry out the undertakings as provided in its Application for a Gas Marketer Licence and as set out in the Rules for Gas Marketers established by Order A-11-11.
  - b. Access Gas will comply with the Code of Conduct for Gas Marketers and Rate Schedule 36 of FortisBC Energy Inc. Access Gas shall ensure that its employees, salespersons or other representatives of its products and services comply with the standards required of a Gas Marketer

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as set out in the Code of Conduct for Gas Marketers and Access Gas shall be responsible for any non-compliance of its employees, salespersons or other representatives of its products and services.

- c. Access Gas will maintain a \$250,000 performance security in full force and effect for the duration of the Licence.
- d. Access Gas will file with the Commission, pursuant to item 10.0 of the Rules for Gas Marketers, the following information:
  - i. Unaudited quarterly financial statements, no later than 45 days after the end of each quarter;
  - ii. The most recent version of the documents submitted to satisfy Section 7, Financial Qualifications, of the Licence Requirements; and
  - iii. The most recent version of the documents submitted under Sections (8), (9), (10), (11) and (12) of the Licence Requirements, for the Commission's comment and approval, prior to commercial distribution and/or use.
- e. The Commission may, at any time and without prior notice to Access Gas, amend or impose new terms and conditions on, suspend, or cancel the Gas Marketer Licence for reasons the Commission, in its sole discretion, deems and considers sufficient.
- f. The Gas Marketer Licence and all copies of it shall remain the property of the Commission. Access Gas will return these documents for thwith upon written request from the Commission.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012.

BY ORDER

Original Signed by:

L.F. Kelsey Commissioner

Attachment

	SPITISH COLUMB	LICENCE NO. A-24-12
GAS MARKETER LICENCE		
ACCESS GAS SERVICES INC.		
is granted a licence for the purpose of providing advice to, or acting on behalf of, a low volume consumer <sup>(1)</sup> purchasing gas directly in the Province of British Columbia subject to the terms and conditions contained in Commission Order A-24-12, which are set out in the reverse of the Licence.		
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Original Signed by:		
L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner		
ISSUED: November 1, 2012		
EXPIRES: October 31, 2013		
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