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**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
NUMBER G-136-12**

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

and

**An Application by Stargas Utilities Ltd.
to Alter Rates**

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner
R.D. Revel, Commissioner
September 27, 2012

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. By Order C-4-00 dated March 30, 2000, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (the Commission) approved a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Stargas Utilities Ltd. (Stargas) to operate a natural gas distribution system at the resort community of Silver Star;
- B. On August 17, 2012, Stargas applied for Commission approval to decrease the residential and both classes of commercial commodity rates by \$1.51 per GJ and increase the residential and both classes of commercial delivery rates by \$0.53 per GJ, for an aggregate decrease to residential and both classes of commercial rates of \$0.98 per GJ, effective November 1, 2012 (the Application);
- C. The Application requests approval to include the amortization of the accumulated unpaid dividends on Stargas' preferred shares and the estimated cost of short-term borrowing in the revenue requirement, which both contribute to the requested delivery rate increase of \$0.53 per GJ;
- D. Commission Order G-119-12 established a written hearing process for the review of the Application and directed that a Regulatory Timetable be established following the deadline for registration of Intervenor and Interested Parties;
- E. No Intervenor or Interested Parties registered with the Commission by the September 24, 2012 deadline set by Order G-119-12;
- F. The Commission has determined that a Regulatory Timetable is warranted.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to sections 60 and 61 of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission establishes a Regulatory Timetable, attached as Appendix A, for review of the Application.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27th of September 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey
Commissioner

Attachment

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

ACTION	DATE (2012)
Commission Information Request Issued to Stargas	Friday, October 5, 2012
Stargas Response to Commission Information Request	Friday, October 12, 2012
Final Submissions from Stargas	Friday, October 19, 2012