

# ORDER NUMBER C-5-16

# IN THE MATTER OF the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Superior Propane a division of Superior Plus Limited Partnership Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Seascapes Development Gaseous Propane Grid

### **BEFORE:**

D. M. Morton, Commissioner H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner M. Kresivo, Commissioner R. D. Revel, Commissioner

on December 15, 2016

## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

#### WHEREAS:

- A. Superior Propane is a division of Superior Plus Limited Partnership which is a subsidiary of Superior Plus Corporation (Superior Propane);
- B. Following a public proceeding, on November 28, 2016, by Order G-172-16, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) approved the Superior Propane gaseous propane tariff and permanent rates for the Seascapes Development (Seascapes) pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA);
- C. On August 7, 2015, by Order G-133-15, the Commission determined that Superior Propane meets the definition of a public utility under section 1 of the UCA for its gaseous propane grid operations at the Seascapes Development, located in West Vancouver, British Columbia;
- D. Superior Propane's Seascapes gaseous propane grid was installed and operating after September 11, 1980, and is currently providing gaseous propane to customers at Seascapes;
- E. Section 45 of the UCA requires that, after September 11, 1980, a person must not begin the construction or operation of a public utility plant or system, or an extension of either, without first obtaining from the Commission a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN);
- F. Section 46(2) of the UCA states that the Commission has discretion whether to hold a hearing; and
- G. Based on submissions and evidence filed in the above public proceedings, the Commission determines that a CPCN for Superior Propane's Seascapes gaseous propane grid is required and that granting a CPCN is in the public interest.

**NOW THEREFORE** pursuant to sections 82, 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the British Columbia Utilities Commission grants a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Superior Propane, a division of Superior Plus Limited Partnership, for the Seascapes Development gaseous propane grid.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2016.

BY ORDER Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner