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ORDER NUMBER G-99-21

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

and

Vancouver Airport Authority
Application for Approval of Interim Rates for the Resale of Natural Gas

BEFORE:

R. I. Mason, Panel Chair W. M. Everett, QC, Commissioner T. A. Loski, Commissioner

on March 30, 2021

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 25, 2021, pursuant to British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) Order G-85-21 and sections 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), the Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR) applied to the BCUC for approval of interim rates for the resale of natural gas to tenants at the Vancouver International Airport (Airport) (Application);
- B. On December 11, 2020, pursuant to section 88(3) of the UCA, YVR applied to the BCUC seeking approval for exemption from section 71 and Part 3 of the UCA except sections 25, 38, 41 and 42, in relation to YVR's resale of natural gas at the Airport (Exemption Application);
- C. By Order G-30-21 dated January 28, 2021, the BCUC initiated a public written proceeding for the review of the Exemption Application and established a regulatory timetable;
- D. By letter dated March 12, 2021, YVR filed a request to suspend the proceeding for three months (Suspension Request) in order to undertake additional analysis to understand the implications of potentially providing low-carbon fuels to its tenants. YVR states that such changes, if implemented, would likely require an amendment to the Application. In the Suspension Request, YVR proposes to provide an update to the BCUC regarding any necessary amendments to the Application by Friday, June 11, 2021;
- E. By Order G-85-21 dated March 18, 2021, the BCUC granted YVR's Suspension Request and adjourned the proceeding until June 11, 2021. The BCUC also directed YVR to file an application for interim rates for the resale of natural gas to tenants for approval; and
- F. The Panel has reviewed YVR's Application and considers the following determinations are warranted.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 59 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. The proposed rates as applied for by YVR as set out in the Application are approved on an interim, collectable and refundable basis, effective April 1, 2021.
- 2. YVR is directed to file interim tariff pages for endorsement by the BCUC within 15 days from the date of issuance of this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

30th

day of March 2021.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

R. I. Mason Commissioner