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UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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# AN ORDER IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, S.B.C. 1980, c. 60, as amended

and

An Application by The Corporation of the City of Nelson

**BEFORE:** 

M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and

K.L. Hall, Commissioner

January 6, 1994

### ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. The Corporation of the City of Nelson ("the City") applied on March 12, 1993 for Commission approval to assume the ownership and maintenance costs of a private distribution line from the City's transmission line to the top of Elephant Mountain near Nelson, B.C.; and
- B. The private distribution line is owned by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation ("CBC") for the purpose of operating its television antenna; and
- C. The City has agreed to assume the ownership of the line and to charge customers taking service by way of an estimated annual maintenance charge plus energy charges at rates approved by the City's filed electric tariff; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval of the annual maintenance charge is necessary and in the public interest.

### NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

1. The Commission approves for the City the acquisition of the private distribution line serving Elephant Mountain and the charging of an annual maintenance cost to customers connected to the line as follows:

CBC \$1,000 Ministry of Highways \$500 BC Tel \$1,500 City of Nelson \$500 B.C. Forest Service \$500

2. The City will invoice customers on July 1st of each year for the estimated annual maintenance cost commencing January 1, 1993.

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3. The City will provide the Commission by March 31st of the year following with an annual report on the actual maintenance costs incurred for the line commencing with the year beginning January 1, 1993. The Commission will monitor expenditures to ensure that actual maintenance costs are approximately equal to the estimated costs over five years of \$20,000.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13 th day of January, 1994.

BY ORDER

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard Chairperson

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