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BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-111-96

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

and

An Application by Squamish Gas Co. Ltd.
for Approval of Natural Gas Rate Increase

BEFORE: M.K. Jaccard, Chairperson; and)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson) November 21, 1996

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 20, 1996 Squamish Gas Co. Ltd. ("Squamish Gas") filed for Commission approval, amendments to Gas Tariff Rate Schedules and rates for natural gas distribution service to retail customers located in its service area pursuant to the Special Direction and under the terms of the Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Act; and
- B. Pursuant to the Special Direction, Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. ("Centra Gas") surveyed competitive fuel oil markets on Vancouver Island and reported that a change in rates charged to Pioneer Customers, under its Closed Rate Schedules, required an increase effective December 1, 1996. By agreement, the Squamish Gas rates are identical to those of Centra Gas customers on Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the Application and finds that approval to amend rates for natural gas service to Squamish Gas customers is necessary and in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders Squamish Gas as follows:

1. The Commission approves and accepts for filing for Squamish Gas, rates for natural gas service effective December 1, 1996 as follows:

Eighteenth Revision of Sheet No. 10	-	Small General Service Rate No. 1 (SGS-1)
Tenth Revision of Sheet No. 11	-	Small General Service Rate No. 2 (SGS-2)
Eighth Revision of Sheet No. 12	-	Large General Service Rate No. 1 (LGS-1)

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Eighth Revision of Sheet No. 13	-	Large General Service Rate No. 2 (LGS-2)
Eighth Revision of Sheet No. 14	-	Large General Service Rate No. 3 (LGS-3)
Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 15	-	Competitive Range Rate (CRR)
Eleventh Revision of Sheet No. 16	-	Apartment/Multi-Family Dwelling Rate (ACR-1)

2. Squamish Gas is to inform all affected customers of the changes to natural gas rates effective December 1, 1996.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of November 1996.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Dr. Mark K. Jaccard
Chairperson