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

and

An Application for a Participant Funding Cost Award
by the Consumers' Association of Canada (B.C. Branch)
for the Written Hearing into Retail Markets Downstream of the Utility Meter

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chairperson)
and Acting Chair; and) April 17, 1997
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 8, 1997 The British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre, on behalf of its client the Consumers' Association of Canada (B.C. Branch), ["CAC (B.C.)"] filed an application for a participant funding cost award in the amount of \$7,491.44 to cover costs associated with its participation in the written hearing into Retail Markets Downstream of the Utility Meter ("RMDM"); and
- B. On April 7, 1997 the Commission issued its Guidelines into RMDM following receipt of written comments on the issues; and
- C. The Commission has determined that CAC (B.C.)'s costs associated with its preparation and participation in the written proceeding require reimbursement in accordance with Commission approved guidelines; and
- D. The Commission has discussed the claim having regard to the criteria and rates set out in Order No. G-103-96.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 133.1(2) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission awards funds to CAC (B.C.) in the amount of \$6,854.04 for its preparation and participation in the RMDM written proceeding. The Commission has disallowed \$637.40 for workshop transcripts.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of April, 1997.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chairperson
and Acting Chair

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