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IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application for Participant Assistance Cost Award by
the British Columbia Interest Advocacy Centre for the
Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. 1997 Revenue Requirement Application and Negotiated Settlement

BEFORE: L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair)
and Acting Chair) May 1, 1997
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Order No. G-21-97, approved for Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. ("PNG") its 1997 Revenue Requirements by way of a Negotiated Settlement Agreement; and
- B. On February 24, 1997 the British Columbia Public Interest Advocacy Centre ("BCPIAC") applied for a participant assistance cost award for its participation at the PNG proceedings; and
- C. The Commission has determined that BCPIAC's participation in the PNG 1997 Revenue Requirements Application negotiated settlement requires reimbursement in accordance with Commission approved guidelines; and
- D. The Commission has discussed the claim having regard to the criteria and rates as set out in Order No. G-103-96.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 118(1) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission awards funds to BCPIAC in the amount of \$14,108.74.
- 2. PNG is directed to reimburse BCPIAC in the total amount awarded in a timely fashion.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15th day of May, 1997.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Lorna R. Barr
Deputy Chair and
Acting Chair