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UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER
NUMBER G-69-97

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

and

An Application by BC Gas Utility Ltd.
for Approval of a Deferral Account for BC 21 Power Smart Program

BEFORE: K.L. Hall, Commissioner)
F.C. Leighton, Commissioner) June 25, 1997

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. The Commission, by Order No. G-87-94, approved for BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") a deferral account to capture costs associated with the its Phase I commitment of \$2,000,000 in the BC 21 Power Smart Program with a 5-year amortization period commencing January 1, 1995; and
- B. On June 3, 1997 BC Gas applied to the Commission for approval of a deferral account to capture up to \$302,000 of costs associated with its Phase II participation in the BC 21 Power Smart Program with a 5-year amortization period commencing January 1, 1998; and
- C. The Commission has considered the application and is satisfied that its approval is required.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission approves for BC Gas a deferral account that will capture costs up to \$302,000 associated with its participation in Phase II of the BC 21 Power Smart Program. The deferred costs are to be amortized over a 5-year period and recovered in rates commencing January 1, 1998.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 9th day of July, 1997.

BY ORDER

Kenneth L. Hall
Commissioner