



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

and

An Application by West Kootenay Power Ltd.
for Approval to Restructure its Street Lighting Rate Schedules

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair)
P.G. Bradley, Commissioner) January 13, 1999
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 6, 1998, West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") applied to the Commission for approval to restructure its Street Lighting Rate Schedule 50 which would provide for cost-based unbundling of the rate into energy, maintenance and capital components; and
- B. Following the filing WKP met with certain customers, specifically the City of Kelowna, to discuss the rates for street lighting; and
- C. On December 1, 1998, WKP filed proposed revisions to Rate Schedule 50 – Street Lighting Service and Rate Schedule 51 – Outdoor Lighting and asked the Commission to set down the Application for a written hearing process; and
- D. On December 10, 1998, the Commission issued Order No. G-106-98 establishing a written hearing process; and
- E. On December 29, 1998, the City of Kelowna wrote the Commission asking that the proposed Street Lighting rates be made interim and that WKP be asked to refund a portion of the charges that WKP had billed with respect to the provision of street lighting maintenance but which the City had held in arrears; and
- F. The Commission considered the request.

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NOW THEREFORE the Commission directs as follows:

1. Pending completion of the proceedings directed by Commission Order No. G-106-98, WKP is to continue serving the City of Kelowna with street lighting service under the terms and conditions of the approved Tariff, Street Lighting Rate Schedule 50.
2. WKP is to proceed with the necessary maintenance on the City of Kelowna street lights to bring them to good working order no later than April 30, 1999.
3. WKP is to forego collecting any interest or penalties on the amount with respect to past maintenance which the City has held in arrears up to February 1, 1999.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 14th day of January 1999.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair