



BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

and

A Filing by BC Gas Utility Ltd.
of a Natural Gas Storage Agreement with Unocal Canada Limited

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair) March 30, 2000
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner)
K.L. Hall, Commissioner)

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 22, 2000, BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") filed with the Commission a letter agreement renewing a natural gas storage agreement with Unocal Canada Limited ("Unocal") for the 2000/2001 storage contract year; and
- B. The letter agreement renewing Storage Agreement GS-1083 between Unocal and BC Gas extends the existing Aitken Creek Natural Gas Storage Agreement, which expires on March 31, 2000, with an annual pricing redetermination, for a one-year term covering the period April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001; and
- C. The Commission has reviewed the filing and finds that the letter agreement renewing Storage Agreement GS-1083 is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 71 of the Utilities Commission Act and the Rules for Energy Supply Contracts, the Commission accepts for filing for BC Gas the letter agreement renewing the Natural Gas Storage Agreement GS-1083 with Unocal for the period April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001. The Commission will hold this letter agreement and ancillary documents in confidence.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 30th day of March 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair