



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

An Application by West Kootenay Power Ltd.
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
for a Head Gate Rebuild at Unit No. 2 of its South Slokan Generating Plant

BEFORE: P. Ostergaard, Chair)
L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair)
B.L. Clemenhagen, Commissioner) June 8, 2000
N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner)

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 28, 2000, West Kootenay Power Ltd. ("WKP") applied, pursuant to Section 45 of the Utilities Commission Act ("the Act") for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for a Head Gate Rebuild for Unit No. 2 at its South Slokan Generating Plant ("the Project"); and
- B. The Project is intended to replace the Head Gate Rebuild for South Slokan Unit No. 1 that was included in WKP's Five-Year Capital Plan 2000-2004; and
- C. The Project is estimated to cost \$950,000 and will be done in conjunction with the Upgrade and Life Extension approved by Order No. C-12-00; and
- D. WKP proposed a cost collar incentive mechanism that would limit project costs, excluding the entitlement replacement cost, that would enter rate base to between 90 and 110 percent of the \$765,000 estimate for such costs; and
- E. The Commission has reviewed the costs, timing and justification for the Project and finds that it should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 45 of the Act, a CPCN is issued to WKP for a Head Gate Rebuild for Unit No. 2 at the South Slokan Generating Plant.
- 2. The Commission declines to approve the cost collar incentive mechanism as proposed by WKP.
- 3. WKP is to file with the Commission a project report and cost summary upon completion of the Project.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15th day of June 2000.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard
Chair