

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 BC Gas Utility Ltd. for Approval of an Agreement with Labatt's Breweries of B.C. Ltd. as a Rate Schedule 14 Tariff Supplement

BEFORE:	P. Ostergaard, Chair)	
	P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)	
	R.D. Deane, Commissioner)	December 5, 2002
	N.F. Nicholls, Commissioner)	

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Commission Order No. G-32-02 dated April 25, 2002, the Commission approved for BC Gas Utility Ltd. ("BC Gas") Rate Schedule 14, effective November 1, 2002; and
- B. Rate Schedule 14 provides firm term and spot gas commodity sales under several market-based gas commodity pricing options, and includes an exclusivity provision requiring the customer to purchase all gas supply under Rate Schedule 14; and
- C. On November 29, 2002, BC Gas requested Commission approval of an agreement with Labatt's Breweries of B.C. Ltd. ("Labatt's") dated November 20, 2002 for the purchase of 211 GJ/d of gas at a fixed price for the period April through October 2003 (the "Agreement"). The Agreement waives the exclusivity provision in Rate Schedule 14, but requires the customer to take or pay for the fixed price quantity each day; and
- D. BC Gas has confirmed that the pricing option under the Agreement will be equivalent to the provisions of the Firm Supply Winter Fixed Price option under Rate Schedule 14; and
- E. The Commission has considered the Application and is satisfied that the Agreement should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission approves for BC Gas the Agreement as a Rate Schedule 14 Tariff Supplement effective April 1 to October 31, 2003. Pricing under the Tariff Supplement will be equivalent to the provisions of the Firm Supply – Winter Fixed Price option under Rate Schedule 14.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 10th day of December 2002.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

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Peter Ostergaard Chair