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UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

and

An Application by Terasen Gas (Whistler) Inc. for Approval of a Propane Cost Increase to Rider A effective October 1, 2005

BEFORE: L.F. Kelsey, Commissioner September 15, 2005

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. Commission Order No. G-14-04 approved a Settlement Agreement for the 2004 and 2005 Revenue Requirements of Terasen Gas (Whistler) Inc. ("Terasen Whistler"); and
- B. The Settlement Agreement established a Propane Commodity Charge of \$13.855 per gigajoule for 2005, which includes a Commodity Cost of Propane of \$9.801 per gigajoule; and
- C. The Settlement Agreement stated that Terasen Whistler will continue to review the cost of propane quarterly, and will file applications for changes to Rider A as needed; and
- D. Commission Order No. G-29-05 approved an increase in Rider A to \$3.433 per gigajoule effective April 1, 2005; and
- E. On September 8, 2005, Terasen Whistler requested an increase in Rider A of \$1.037 per gigajoule to \$4.470 per gigajoule effective October 1, 2005. The proposed rate increase will increase the annual bill for a typical residential customer by approximately 5.7 percent; and
- F. The Commission concludes that the change to Terasen Whistler propane rates should be approved.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 61(4) of the Utilities Commission Act, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for Terasen Whistler an increase in Rider A to \$4.470 per gigajoule effective October 1, 2005.
- 2. Terasen Whistler is to file with the Commission a permanent Gas Tariff Rate Schedule in accordance with this Order and to notify all affected customers of the rate increase in a timely fashion.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 15th day of September 2005.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

L.F. Kelsey Commissioner