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VIA EMAIL

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Ms. Janet P. Kennedy Vice-President, Regulatory Affairs & Gas Supply Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. 1185 West Georgia Street Suite 950 Vancouver, BC V6E 4E6

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

Re: Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd

Second Quarter 2016 Report on Gas Supply Costs for

Fort St. John/Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge Service Areas

On June 7, 2016, Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. [PNG (N.E.)] filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) its Second Quarter 2016 Report on gas supply costs and Gas Cost Variance Account (GCVA) balances, which contained information for its Fort St. John/Dawson Creek (FSJ/DC) and Tumbler Ridge (TR) service areas (Report).

The Commission, by Letters L-5-01 and L-40-11, set out a guideline trigger mechanism and rate change methodology (Guidelines) that have generally been adopted by natural gas and propane utilities including PNG (N.E.).

The Commission notes that Order G-198-15 established the current gas commodity rates, GCVA commodity rate rider, and Company Use GCVA gas cost rates and rate rider for both FSJ/DC and TR.

The Commission reviewed the Report taking into account the Guidelines and accepts PNG (N.E.)'s recommendations that no changes to the gas commodity rates and gas cost rate riders are required for FSJ/DC and TR. The rates established under the above noted order will remain unchanged effective July 1, 2016.

Yours truly,

Signed by L. Sharpe for:

Laurel Ross

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cc: Mr. Verlon G. Otto

Director, Regulatory Affairs Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.