



**ORDER NUMBER
G-169-20**

IN THE MATTER OF
the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd.
Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
To Implement Automated Meter Reading Infrastructure

BEFORE:

W. M. Everett, QC, Panel Chair
C. Brewer, Commissioner
R. I. Mason, Commissioner

on June 24, 2020

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On March 25, 2020, Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. (PNG(NE)) filed an application (Application) to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), pursuant to sections 45 and 46 of the *Utilities Commission Act*, for approval of net capital expenditures of approximately \$4.2 million to implement Automated Meter Reading (AMR) Infrastructure in its service areas (the AMR Project);
- B. On April 9, 2020, by Order G-86-20, the BCUC established a regulatory timetable for the initial review of the Application, which provided for, among other things, provision of public notice, a round of BCUC Information Requests (IR), PNG(NE) responses to IRs, and intervener registration.
- C. On May 26, 2020, PNG(NE) filed a letter, Exhibit B-5, to the BCUC stating PNG(NE) was not compliant with Directive 2 of Order G-86-20, to provide a copy of the Application to local municipalities and to interveners in the two most recent PNG(NE) proceedings.
- D. On May 28, 2020, by Order G-126-20, the BCUC amended the Regulatory Timetable to extend intervener registration and solicit submissions on further process.
- E. The Panel has reviewed the Application and the submissions on further process and considers an amendment to the Regulatory Timetable is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders an amended regulatory timetable is established, as set out in Appendix A to this order.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of June 2020.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

W. M. Everett, QC
Commissioner

Attachments

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REGULATORY TIMETABLE

Action	Date (2020)
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 2	Friday, July 3
Intervener IR No. 1	Tuesday, July 7
PNG responses to BCUC IR No. 2 and Intervener IR No. 1	Tuesday, July 21
PNG Final Argument	Tuesday, August 4
Intervener Final Argument	Tuesday, August 18
PNG Reply Argument	Tuesday, August 25