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ORDER NUMBER G-127-22

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

and

Vancouver Airport Fuel Facilities Corporation
Complaint Regarding Jet Fuel Line Abandonment of Service

BEFORE:

D. M. Morton, Panel Chair

on May 13, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By letter dated April 30, 2021, PKM Canada (Jet Fuel) Inc. (PKMJF) informed the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) that the company's approximately 41 kilometre long pipeline used to transport aviation turbine fuel (jet fuel) from the Westridge Marine Terminal in Burnaby to the Vancouver International Airport (the Jet Fuel Line, or JFL) had been shutdown effective immediately;
- B. By letter dated May 14, 2021, PKMJF informed the BCUC of its intention to permanently discontinue service on the JFL;
- C. By letter dated May 14, 2021, the Vancouver Airport Fuel Facilities Corporation filed a complaint with the BCUC regarding the current abandonment of service of the JFL and PKMJF's intention to permanently abandon service;
- D. By Order G-154-21, dated May 20, 2021, the BCUC issued Directive 2, as follows: "PKMJF is directed to return the JFL to service, with all necessary safety measures and regulatory approvals in place, as soon as possible, but by no later than 30 days from the issuance of this order unless PKMJF can provide evidence satisfactory to the BCUC that it is unable to do so.";
- E. The return to service deadline established in Directive 2 was varied and extended by Orders G-188-21, G-233-21, G-261-21, G-322-21, G-10-22, and G-70-22, dated June 18, 2021, July 30, 2021, September 3, 2021, November 8, 2021, January 14, 2022, and March 10, 2022, respectively. The current return to service deadline is May 16, 2022;
- F. By letter dated April 12, 2022, PKMJF informed the BCUC that on-site work at the final integrity dig site had been paused due to the presence of migratory birds protected by the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994*;
- G. By letter dated May 12, 2022, PKMJF requested that the BCUC provide relief from the return to service deadline imposed by Order G-70-22. In its letter, PKMJF provides reasons and refers to evidence submitted as to why an extension of the deadline to return the JFL to service until June 30, 2022 is required;

- H. Execution of the return to service plan by PKMJF is ongoing; and
- I. The BCUC has reviewed the evidence and submissions filed to date and is satisfied that an extension to the return to service deadline is warranted.

NOW THEREFORE the BCUC orders that the return to service deadline in Directive 2 of Order G-154-21 and varied by Orders G-188-21, G-233-21, G-261-21, G-322-21, G-10-22, and G-70-22 is varied further and extended until June 30, 2022.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of May 2022.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner