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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 Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
for Acceptance of an Energy Management Services Agreement with FortisBC Energy Inc.

BEFORE: D.M. Morton, Commissioner July 26, 2012

O R D E R

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 5, 2012, Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (PNG) filed with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) an Energy Management Services Agreement (EMS Agreement) with FortisBC Energy Inc. (FortisBC) for energy management services from May 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 (the Filing);
- B. Under the current energy management services agreement, which expires April 30, 2012, FortisBC provided gas price risk management services to PNG;
- C. PNG ceased its gas price risk management program in 2011 and, in early 2012, PNG and FortisBC entered into a new energy management services agreement given the cessation of the gas price risk management services and other changes since the original energy services management agreement was entered into in May 2003;
- D. PNG initially requested that the Filing and the EMS Agreement be held confidential but later withdrew that request;
- E. The Commission has reviewed the Filing and subsequent email correspondence and is satisfied that the April 5, 2012 EMS Agreement is in the public interest and that it is not necessary to hold the EMS Agreement or the Filing confidential.

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to Section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the Commission's Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts, the Commission accepts for filing the April 5, 2012 Energy Management Services Agreement between Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. and FortisBC Energy Inc. The EMS Agreement and the information in the Filing will not be held confidential.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of July 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D.M. Morton
Commissioner