

BRITISH COLUMBIA
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ORDER

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

and

An Application for Participant Assistance/Cost Award in the Application by Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. 2014 Revenue Requirements Application

BEFORE: D.A. Cote, Panel Chair/Commissioner

C.A. Brown, Commissioner

September 11, 2014

C. van Wermeskerken, Commissioner

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On November 29, 2013, Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (PNG) filed its 2014 Revenue Requirements Application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA) seeking, among other things, Commission approval to increase delivery rates (2014 RRA);
- B. British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization (BCOAPO) registered as an Intervener in the proceeding;
- C. By Order G-31-14, dated March 12, 2014, the Commission established a Negotiated Settlement Process for the review of the 2014 RRA, and by Letter L-20-14 dated May 20, 2014, the Commission issued an Amended Regulatory Timetable;
- D. On July 7, 2014, BCOAPO filed an application for Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) for the 2014 RRA in the amount of \$11,175.15 (BCOAPO PACA Application);
- E. By Order G-87-14 dated July 9, 2014, the Commission approved the Negotiated Settlement Agreement;
- F. On August 22, 2014, PNG advised the Commission that it has no comments on the BCOAPO PACA Application;
- G. The Commission has reviewed the BCOAPO PACA Application with regard to the criteria and rates set out in the PACA Guidelines in Commission Order G-72-07 and finds the requested amount reasonable.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 118(1) of the *Utilities Commission Act*, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. A Participant Assistance/Cost Award in the requested amount of \$11,175.15 is awarded to the British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization with respect to its participation in the Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. 2014 Revenue Requirements Application proceeding.
- 2. Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. is directed to reimburse British Columbia Old Age Pensioners' Organization for the amount awarded in a timely manner.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 11th day of September 2014.

BY ORDER

Original Signed By:

D.A. Cote
Panel Chair/Commissioner