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BRITISH COLUMBIA UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

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

and

Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. Section 71 Filing of 2015/2016 Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts

BEFORE: L. F. Kelsey, Commissioner

C. A. Brown, Commissioner H. G. Harowitz, Commissioner K. A. Keilty, Commissioner D. M. Morton, Commissioner

November 19, 2015

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. By Letter L-29-15 dated July 23, 2015, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) accepted the Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (PNG) Annual Gas Contracting Plan dated June 2015 (2015 ACP), which covered the period of November 2015 to October 2016 (2015/2016 Gas Year). The 2015 ACP describes PNG's plan to meet the natural gas requirements for all of PNG's service areas, including PNG-West (west of Summit Lake) and Pacific Northern Gas (N.E.) Ltd. [PNG(N.E.)], for the 2015/2016 Gas Year. PNG (N.E.) includes Fort St. John, Dawson Creek and Tumbler Ridge;
- B. On October 29, 2015, pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the Commission's Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts, PNG filed executed natural gas supply contracts for the 2015/2016 Gas Year (Application);
- C. PNG requests that the details of the filing be kept confidential for the reasons of commercial sensitivity and submits that disclosure of this information may adversely affect PNG's ability to secure the most competitively priced gas supply arrangements in the future; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the natural gas supply contracts, shown in Appendix A of this order, and is satisfied they are appropriate considering market conditions at the time they were negotiated, consistent with PNG's 2015 ACP, and in the public interest.

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NOW THEREFORE pursuant to section 71 of the *Utilities Commission Act* and the British Columbia Utilities Commission's Rules for Natural Gas Energy Supply Contracts, the Commission accepts for filing the natural gas contracts shown in Appendix A to this order and will hold the details of the Application and related filings confidential as requested by Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. as they contain commercially sensitive information.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 20th day of November 2015.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

D. M. Morton Commissioner

Attachment

Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. Application for 2015/2016 Natural Gas Supply Contracts

ltem	Term	Gas Supplier	Delivery Point	Volume (GJ/day)	Transaction Date
1	Nov15 - Oct16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	1,500	September 14, 2015
2	Nov15 - Mar16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	5,000	September 14, 2015
3	Nov15 - Mar16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	5,500	October 22, 2015
4	Apr16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	6,000	September 30, 2015
5	Jun16 - Aug16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	5,000	September 30, 2015
6	Oct16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Station 2	6,000	September 30, 2015
7	Dec15 - Feb16	Tenaska Marketing Canada	Station 2	13,000	October 23, 2015
8	Nov15 - Mar16	Shell Energy North America (Canada) Inc.	Station 2	5,000	September 10, 2015
9	Nov15 - Mar16	Encana Corporation	Station 2	7,000	October 9, 2015
10	Dec15 - Feb16	Progress Energy Canada Ltd.	Station 2	14,805	October 9, 2015
11	Nov15 – Oct16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Stoddart Outlet	2,500	June 4, 2015
12	Nov15 onward	Penn West Petroleum	Dawson Creek	250	October 17, 2011
13	Nov15 - Oct16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Pine River Field	2,700	June 5, 2015
14	Nov15 - Oct16	Encana Corporation	Ft. Nelson	100	September 17, 2015
15	Nov15 - Oct16	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	Younger Plant	25,000	June 4, 2015