

BRITISH COLUMBIA
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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 Regarding the Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. 2013 Revenue Requirements Application

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

C.A. Brown, Commissioner

September 30, 2013

C. van Wermeskerken, Commissioner

## ORDER

## WHEREAS:

- A. On November 30, 2012, Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (PNG) filed its 2013 Revenue Requirements Application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission), pursuant to sections 58 to 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* (Act) seeking, among other things, approval to increase delivery rates (2013 RRA). British Columbia Pensioners' and Seniors' Organization et al. (BCPSO) and Peace River Regional District (PRRD) registered as Interveners in the proceeding;
- B. By Order G-42-13 dated March 20, 2013, the Commission established a Written Public Hearing and a Further Amended Regulatory Timetable for the review of the 2013 RRA;
- C. On May 30, 2013 BCPSO filed an application for Participant Assistance/Cost Award (PACA) for the 2013 RRA in the amount of \$10,380.13 (BCPSO PACA Application);
- D. By Order G-114-13 dated August 1, 2013, the Commission issued its Decision on the 2013 RRA pursuant to sections 59 to 61 of the Act;
- E. By letter dated September 13, 2013, PNG advised the Commission that it reviewed the BCPSO PACA Application and considered it to be reasonable; and
- F. The Commission has reviewed the BCPSO 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 Assistant Cost Award in the requested amount of \$10,380.13 is awarded to the British Columbia Pensioners' and Seniors' Organization et al., with respect to its participation in the Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. 2013 Revenue Requirements Application proceeding.
- 2. Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. is directed to reimburse British Columbia Pensioners' and Seniors' Organization et al. for the amount awarded in a timely manner.

**DATED** at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this

day of September 2013.

BY ORDER

Original signed by

D.A. Cote Commissioner