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AN ORDER IN THE MATTER OF the Public Utilities Act Revised Statutes, 1986, c. 143, as amended

and

A Joint Application by Yukon Energy Corporation and The Yukon Electrical Company Limited

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B. Morris, Chair; and

R. Laking, Vice-Chair; and

January 12, 1996

G. Duncan, Member

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WHEREAS:

- A. On November 17, 1995 Yukon Energy Corporation and Yukon Electrical Company Limited ("YEC/YECL, the Companies") filed with the Board, pursuant to the Public Utilities Act ("the Act") and Order-In-Council 1995/90, an Application requesting an Order granting new rates, effective with consumption January 1, 1996 with a further increase on January 1, 1997.
- В. The General Rate Application also proposes changes in rate design, initially on an interim refundable basis, with average increases of 18 percent to the Industrial class, 4 percent to the government Residential class, 12 percent decreases to the General Service non-government classes, and 23 percent decreases to Street Light rates and Rate Riders for other new mines; and
- C. The Application also proposes to establish a Rate Stabilization Fund, amend the Electrical Service Regulations and withdraw previous reporting requirements; and
- D. The Board reviewed the Application, and set down the matter for public hearing to commence March 18, 1996; and
- E. The Board requested Interested Parties to make written submissions to the Board, with copies to the Applicants, on the request by YEC/YECL for approval of the rates on an interim refundable basis by December 15, 1995. Further, the Board requested the Companies to reply to the submissions by December 22, 1995; and
- F. The Board has reviewed the written submissions of the Interested Parties and the Companies with respect to the matter of interim rates.

NOW THEREFORE the Board orders as follows:

1. The request for approval of the rates on an interim refundable basis is denied. The Board finds that the rate changes contemplated are of sufficient magnitude and have such a varied effect on the different classes of customers that they should not be approved without a complete review of the evidence.

DATED at the City of Whitehorse, in the Yukon Territory, this

/ 2 day of January, 1996.

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BY ORDER

Brian Morris

Chair