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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

BEFORE: B. Morris, Chair)
R. Laking, Vice-Chair) February 5, 1996
G. Duncan

ORDER 1996-3

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.
- B. 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 Lights 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, caused a Notice of Public Hearing to be published with a schedule of dates for each stage of the proceedings and set down the matter for public hearing to commence March 18, 1996.
- E. Registered Intervenors and Interested Parties seeking additional information were invited to submit Information Requests by January 12, 1996. The Board ordered that responses to these Information Requests be completed by January 26, 1996..
- F. YEC/YECL responded to a number of Information Requests on January 22, 1996 and as a result of the responses received, the Utilities Consumers' Group filed a Notice of Motion with the Board on January 25, 1996 pursuant to the Yukon Utilities Board Rules of Practice. That Notice of Motion asked the Board to rule on the adequacy of the responses received on January 22, 1996.
- G. The YEC/YECL response to the Notice of Motion was received on February 1, 1996.
- H. By letter dated February 2, 1996 the Utilities Consumers' Group withdrew its request for answers to interrogatories UCG-YEC/YECL-1-3, -7, -12, -28, -31, -42, -54, -59, -66 and -71.

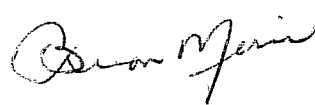
NOW THEREFORE the Board orders as follows:

- 1. Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-5 The answer given by the Companies is adequate and requires no further response.

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| 2. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-6 | At the hearing the Companies must supply a panel of witnesses that will support their application. While it may be that workshops and negotiations may eliminate some of the issues in the application, the Companies are to provide the names of their panel in support of the entire application by February 26, 1996. |
| 3. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-61 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 4. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-63 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 5. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-67 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 6. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-68 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 7. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-69 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 8. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-70 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 9. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-24 | The answer is sufficient and requires no further response. |
| 10. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-102 | The Companies are required to provide a copy of the memo and the report identified in the Information Request. |
| 11. | Information Request UCG-YEC/YECL-1-103 | The Companies are required to provide a copy of the letter identified in the Information Request. |

DATED at the City of Whitehorse, in the Yukon Territory, this 6 day of February, 1996.

BY ORDER



Brian Morris
Chair