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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 21, 1996
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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.
- 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. The Board conducted a Negotiated Settlement Meeting on January 26, 1996 at which time Board staff offered, and the participants agreed to attend, a Board-sanctioned Information Workshop on March 4 and 5, 1996, to preceed an attempt at a negotiated settlement if the parties are in agreement at that time.

NOW THEREFORE the Board orders as follows:

- 1. A series of Information Workshops will be held on March 4 and 5, 1996, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room of the Yukon Inn, Whitehorse, Yukon.
- 2. The agenda for the workshop is as follows:

Day 1 (March 4, 1996)

- 9:00 Return on Equity:
 - Generic non-risk Utility
 - Location-specific Risk Factors
 - Automatic Adjustment Mechanism
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 Rate Design:
 - FACOS
 - Revenue/Cost Ratios
 - Rate Riders
 - Runout Rates
 - Residential Bill Relief
 - Rates for Home-based Businesses
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:30 Rate Design (continued)
- 3:00 Coffee Break
- 3:15 Rate Stabilization Fund:
 - Creation, Maintenance and Ceiling
 - Average Water Conditions
- 5:00 End of Day 1

Day 2 (March 5, 1996)

- 9:00 System Operations:
 - Forecasting and Generation Dispatching
 - Druce/Acres Reports
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 Druce/Acres Reports (continued)
- 11:30 Conservation and DSM
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:30 Revenue Requirements:
 - Results and Forecasting of 1995, 1996 and 1997 Operations
 - Review of Capital Expenditures
 - Electric Service Regulations
 - Performance Indicators
- 3:00 Coffee Break

- 3:15 Revenue Requirements (continued)
- 5:00 End of Day 2

DATED at the City of Whitehorse, in the Yukon Territory, this 2 / day of February, 1996.

BY ORDER

Brian Morris Chair

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