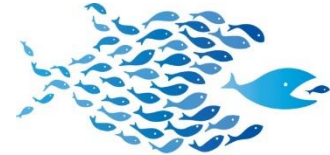


April 23, 2020

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Patrick Wruck
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BC Utilities Commission
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BCPIAC
Public Interest Advocacy Centre

Reply to: Leigha Worth
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Our File: 7400

Dear Mr. Wruck,

Re: Pacific Northern Gas (NE) Ltd. Application for Approval of the 2019 Franchise Agreement between Pacific Northern Gas (NE) Ltd. and the City of Fort St. John BCOAPO Information Requests No. 1

We represent the BC Old Age Pensioners' Organization, Active Support Against Poverty, Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC, Disability Alliance BC, and Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre, known collectively in regulatory processes as "BCOAPO et al." ("BCOAPO").

Enclosed please find the BCOAPO's Information Requests No. 1 with respect to the above-noted Application.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,
BC PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCACY CENTRE

Original on file signed by:

Leigha Worth
Executive Director | General Counsel

Encl.

REQUESTOR NAME: BCOAPO *et al.*
INFORMATION REQUEST ROUND NO: #1
TO: PNG N.E. Ltd. (PNG)
DATE: April 23, 2020
APPLICATION NAME: 2019 Franchise Agreement with the City of Fort St. John

1.0 Reference: General – Consequences of failure to receive BCUC Approval

1.1 Please outline the consequences on (i) PNG, (ii) City of Fort St. John, (iii) PNG's customers in Fort St. John, and (iv) PNG's ratepayers, in the event that the BCUC does not approve the instant application.

2.0 Reference: Exhibit B-1, Application and Exhibit B-3, BCUC IR 1.3.1, Removal of Provision for Municipal Right to Purchase

2.1 Has any municipality ever attempted to exercise its "right to purchase" from PNG in the past? If so, please provide full details.

2.2 Is PNG aware of any instances in BC that any municipality attempted to exercise the "right to purchase" from any other utility? If so, please provide full details.