

GENERAL ORDER 2025-0048-02
Section 49 *Energy Resource Activities Act*

Issued to:

Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
750-888 Dunsmuir Street
Vancouver, BC V6C 3K4

Attention: Kyle Keith, Vice President, Operations and Engineering

Order:

Pursuant to section 49(1)(e)(i) & (ii) of the *Energy Resource Activities Act* (the Act), I, Robert Workman, order that Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. (PNG) must:

1. On or before September 30, 2025, re-establish depth of cover for the pipeline in accordance with CSA Z662:23 Oil and Gas Pipeline Systems, clause 4.11 at BGC Site# 837 located on pipeline project 1422 segment 60.

Conditions:

A. This order shall remain in effect until amended or terminated in whole or in part by the BC Energy Regulator.

Reasons:

I make this order for the following reasons:

- i. PNG is the permit holder for pipeline project 1422 segment 60.
- ii. Pipeline project 1422 transports natural gas. The operating pressure of the pipeline is currently restricted to 4,061 kPa.
- iii. BGC Site# 837 is described in the BGC Engineering Inc. report entitled “Pipeline Network-Wide Compilation of Geohazard Assessments” dated March 17, 2025, BGC project #0149030. This report identifies geotechnical and hydrotechnical risks to pipelines operated by PNG including pipeline project 1422.
- iv. At BGC Site #837 along pipeline project 1422 segment 60, approximately nine meters of the pipeline is suspended in the flow of the Kitimat River.

- v. Pipeline project 1422 segment 60 is at risk of damage or failure due to hydrotechnical risks, such as vibration caused by water flow and damage from impact with debris washed downstream.
- vi. The Kitimat River is a salmon spawning river. It is also accessed by the public for various recreational activities.
- vii. I am in the opinion that this order is necessary to mitigate a risk to public safety and protect the environment.

Review or Appeal

PNG may request a review of this order under section 70 of the Act or appeal this order under section 72 of the Act. Both a review and an appeal of the order cannot be commenced simultaneously.

A request for review may be sent to: determinationreviews@bc-er.ca.

Alternatively, a notice of appeal may be sent to the Energy Resource Appeal Tribunal info@bcerat.ca or mailed to:

Energy Resource Appeal Tribunal
PO Box 4925 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

Information regarding the process for appeals may be found at www.bcerat.ca



Robert Workman
Manager, Enforcement
BC Energy Regulator

DATED AT Fort St. John, in the Province of British Columbia, this 21st day of May 2025.