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Mr. Gary Newcombe
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Dear Mr. Newcombe:

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES (DERS) – SOUTH
GAS COST FLOW-THROUGH RATE (GCFR)
MONTH OF JULY 2004**

The Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (the Board) is in receipt of the letter from DERS, a Business Unit of Direct Energy Marketing Limited, dated June 24, 2004, as amended on June 25, 2004, requesting a proposed GCFR of \$6.403 per gigajoule (GJ), for customers served in the ATCO Gas South (AGS) service territory during the month of July 2004.

The Board has reviewed the request, and accepts that the above noted GCFR was determined in accordance with the directions previously issued to gas utilities subject to the Board's jurisdiction in Decision 2001-75, dated October 30, 2001, and more specifically to AGS in Decision 2002-034, dated March 21, 2002 and to DERS in Decision 2003-106, dated December 18, 2003. Consequently, the Board acknowledges that, as set out in DERS's Rider "F" for the ATCO Gas South Service Territory, the GCFR of \$6.403/GJ is appropriate to be applied to all energy sold to customers served under Rates G1, G3 and G5 for customers served by ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. - South for the period July 1, 2004 to July 31, 2004.

As directed in Decision 2001-75, a 30-day review period is provided for parties to raise any concerns with a gas cost recovery rate. As DERS is the Default Supply Provider for ATCO Gas, the 30-day review period would be similarly applicable to DERS's GCFR.

Yours truly,



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