MANITOBA) Order No. 18/01) THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) February 2, 2001

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman M. Girouard, Member

APPROVAL OF INTERIM PRIMARY GAS SALES RATES TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR ALL GAS CONSUMED ON AND AFTER FEBRUARY 1, 2001, PURSUANT TO BOARD ORDER 15/01

On February 1, 2001, The Manitoba Public Utilities Board ("the Board") issued Order 15/01 in which it ordered Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. ("Centra") to file rate schedules for Board approval reflecting 50% of the difference between the updated 12-month forward price strip of \$9.251 per Gigajoule and the Primary Gas Rate set in the previous quarter, and the recovery of the December 31, 2000 Primary Gas purchase gas variance account. On February 1, 2001 Centra filed the required information. The Board has reviewed this material and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of Order 15/01. The Board will therefore approve the rate schedules as filed by Centra.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- The Schedule of rates attached to this Order as Appendix "A" BE AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED.
- This Interim Order will be in effect until confirmed or otherwise by a further Order of the Board.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

<u>"G. D. FORREST"</u> Chairman

<u>"G. O. BARRON"</u> Secretary

> Certified a true copy of Order No. 18/01 issued by The Public Utilities Board

Secretary