

Tribunal File No. CT-98/2

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPETITION ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c.C-34, as amended, and the Competition Tribunal Rules, SOR/94-290, as amended (the "Rules");

AND IN THE MATTER OF an inquiry pursuant to subsection 10(1)(b) of the *Competition Act* relating to the proposed acquisition of ICG Propane Inc. by Superior Propane Inc.;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by the Commissioner of Competition for orders pursuant to s.92 and other provisions of the *Competition Act* consequential thereto.

BETWEEN:

THE COMMISSIONER OF COMPETITION

Applicant

- and -

SUPERIOR PROPANE INC. and ICG PROPANE INC.

Respondents

AFFIDAVIT OF DONALD G. McFETRIDGE

- I, DONALD G. McFETRIDGE, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, Professor of Economics, MAKE OATH AND SAY:
- I am a Professor of Economics at Carleton University, and have consulted and written extensively on various economic aspects of mergers which are reviewable pursuant to Part VIII of the <u>Competition Act</u>. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A" is a copy of my resumé.

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- 2. I have been retained by the Respondents to perform the tradeoff analysis required by s.96 of the <u>Competition Act</u> which requires that any substantial lessening of competition caused by the merger be balanced against any efficiencies generated by the merger which would not likely have been achieved otherwise.
- 3. I have participated in numerous meetings and discussions with Professor Carlton and his colleagues concerning the methodology and analyses employed, and the econometric testing of the available data conducted in the preparation of his expert's report, dated August 17, 1999. I agree that the methodology he used, his analyses and his conclusions are reasonable. As Professor Carlton did not find evidence of a substantial lessening of competition, and as I understand from counsel to the Respondents that the Bureau has not yet provided any quantification of a substantial lessening of competition, by econometric evidence or otherwise, I have so far not been called upon to provide any report which does such a s.96 tradeoff analysis.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, this ay of August, 1999

DONALD G. McFETRIDGE

Commissioner for taking Affidavits, etc.

JANET ELIZABETH BLAIR, a Commissioner, etc., Province of Ontario, while a student-et-law, Expires May 31, 2002.

This is Exhibit "A" referred to in the Affidavit of DONALD G. MCFETRIDGE, sworn before me this (day of August, 1999.

A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

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DONALD G. MCFETRIDGE

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Donald G. McFetridge is a Professor in the Department of Economics at Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. He is a former holder of the T.D. MacDonald Chair in Industrial Economics at the Competition Burcau in Ottawa and former Chair of the Economics and Law Committee of the National Competition Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association. Professor McFetridge also served as Research Coordinator on the Economics of Industrial Structure for the Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada.

Professor McFetridge has been teaching and writing in the fields of industrial economics and competition policy for twenty-five years. His research has been published in The Canadian Bar Review, The Canadian Business Law Journal, The Antitrust Bulletin, The Journal of Law and Economics, The Journal of Industrial Economics and many other economics and business journals. He is also a member of the editorial board of The Canadian Competition Record.

Professor Mel'etridge has advised both the Competition Bureau and numerous Canadian and international companies on such competition matters as horizontal restraints, predatory pricing, abuse of dominance and mergers. He has been retained in more than forty merger cases and has considerable experience in product and geographic market definition, measurement of entry barriers, estimation of price effects of mergers, collection and presentation of efficiencies evidence and trade-off analysis. He has appeared as an expert witness before the Competition Tribunal on two occasions and before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal on two occasions.

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DONALD G. MCFETRIDGE CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

B.Comm.	University of Saskatchewan	1967
M.A.	University of Toronto	1968
M.Sc.	London School of Economics	
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Ph.D.	University of Toronto	1972

Positions Held

Chair, Department of Economics, Carleton University, 1994-98

Member, Editorial Board, Canadian Competition Record 1990-

Chair, Economics and Law Committee, National Competition Law Section, Canadian Bar Association, 1995-97.

T. D. MacDonald Chair in Industrial Economics, Bureau of Competition Policy. Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada, 1992-3

Research Coordinator, Economics of Industrial Structure, Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada, Ottawa, 1986.

Selected Publications on Industrial Organization, Competition Policy and Intellectual Property

"Efficiency Defences" in A Framework for the Design and Implementation of Competition Law and Policy (Paris and Washington D.C.; Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the World Bank, 1999) pp.124-40

"Competition Policy and Cooperative Innovation" in Richard J. Braudo and Jeffrey G.MacIntosh eds. Competitive Industrial Development in the Age of Information (London, Routledge, 1999) pp.179-98

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