### DECISION

### Dispute Codes OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNDC, FF

### **Introduction**

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlord for an Order of Possession, a monetary order and an order to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim. Despite having been served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail on March 26, 2010, the tenants did not participate in the conference call hearing.

## Issues(s) to be Decided

Is the landlord entitled to an Order of Possession for unpaid rent or utilities? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent or utilities? Is the landlord entitled to a monetary order for money owed or compensation for damage or loss under the *Act,* regulation or tenancy agreement? Is the landlord entitled to retain the security deposit in partial satisfaction of the claim?

### **Background and Evidence**

The landlord's agent testified that the company applicant took over the property on February 1, 2010 and the tenants were already there, and he is not aware of the date that the tenancy began. He further testified that no security deposit was received for these tenants from the previous company nor from the tenants.

Rent in the amount of \$1,200.00 is payable in advance on the first day of each month. The tenants failed to pay rent in the month of February, 2010 and on February 2, 2010 the landlord served the tenants with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenants further failed to pay rent in the month of March, 2010 and another notice to end tenancy was served on the tenants on March 9, 2010. The tenants have not paid any rent for the months of February, March, April and May, 2010.

### <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the landlord's testimony I find that the tenants were served with a notice to end tenancy for non-payment of rent. The tenants have not paid the outstanding rent and have not applied for dispute resolution to dispute the notice and are therefore conclusively presumed to have accepted that the tenancy ended on the effective date of the notice.

As for the monetary order, I find that the landlord has established a claim for \$4,800.00 in unpaid rent. The landlord is also entitled to recovery of the \$50.00 filing fee.

# **Conclusion**

Based on the above facts I find that the landlord is entitled to an Order of Possession. The tenants must be served with the Order of Possession. Should the tenants fail to comply with the order, the order may be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia and enforced as an order of that Court.

As for the monetary order, I grant the landlord an order under section 67 for the balance due of \$4,850.00. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: May 12, 2010.

**Dispute Resolution Officer**