

VIA E-MAIL

August 2, 2016

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319
27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2016-0186 UNION GAS – Panhandle Replacement Project

REQUEST & SUPPORT

I am writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application. The Application requests pre-approval of the cost consequences associated with all facilities associated with the proposed Panhandle Replacement Project. The project and associated rate impacts have effect on the members of the FRPO.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board with regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

ISSUES & INVOLVEMENT

We understand that the proposed application would facilitate additional volumes of gas sourced from Dawn to flow to the Panhandle Pipelines in southwestern Ontario. The proposal further requests accelerated depreciation and novel cost allocation and ratemaking. The application requests implementation these changes just prior to the end of an incentive ratemaking period. We are concerned the evaluation of the alternatives considered and the ratemaking changes being proposed.

As such, FRPO respectfully requests involvement in all facets of this proceeding. While it is difficult to determine completely until after interrogatory responses, the complexity and breadth of issues would suggest that an oral hearing would be most effective. FRPO will collaborate with intervenors of similar interest and act in a responsible manner consistent the Board's Practice Directions.

REPRESENTATION

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,



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