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BY E-MAIL

March 9, 2009

Mark Bristoll President Natural Resource Gas Limited 39 Beech Street East P.O. Box 307 Aylmer ON N5H 2S1

Dear Mr. Bristoll:

Re: Natural Resource Gas Limited – QRAM Rate Application Notice of Written Hearing and Procedural Order No. 1 Board File No. EB-2009-0062

The Board has today issued its Notice of Written Hearing and Procedural Order No. 1 in the above matter.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

cc: Intervenors in EB-2008-0377
Mr. Patrick McMahon – Union Gas Limited
Mr. Scott Stoll - Integrated Grain Processors Co-operative Inc.
Mr. Jim Grey - Integrated Grain Processors Co-operative Inc.

Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'Énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2009-0062

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sched. B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Natural Resource Gas Limited for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution and transmission of gas as of April 1, 2009;

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

Natural Resource Gas Limited ("NRG") filed an application on March 3, 2009 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, and transmission of gas (the "Application"). The Application was made pursuant to NRG's approved Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") and has been given Board File No. EB-2009-0062.

NRG seeks the following, effective April 1, 2009:

- an order decreasing the reference price for use in determining amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA: Account No. 179-27) by \$0.032588 per m³ from the Board approved level of \$0.347919 per m³ to \$0.315331 per m³; and
- an order decreasing the gas supply charge by \$0.045354 per m³ from the Board approved level of \$0.359292 per m³ to \$0.313938 per m³ to prospectively clear balances in the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account (GPRA).

NRG has provided written evidence in support of the proposed changes contained in the Application. The Application and pre-filed evidence have been provided by NRG to all parties of record in NRG's most recent annual rates proceeding, EB-2005-0544.

The Board intends to proceed in this matter by way of a written hearing.

Parties that meet the Board's eligibility criteria contained in the Practice Direction on Cost Awards may submit costs with supporting rationale as to how their participation contributed to the Board's ability to decide on this matter.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. NRG shall immediately issue a copy of the Application and a copy of this Notice to all intervenors listed in Appendix A, if they have not already been served, and shall provide affidavit proof of all deliveries to the Board.
- Any party that objects to proceeding by way of a written hearing may make written comments to the Board for its consideration no later than 4:45 pm, Thursday, March 12, 2009. If any such objections are received by the Board, the Board may amend the deadlines below.
- 3. Parties to this proceeding wishing to make comments on the Application may do so by filing such submissions with the Board Secretary, and deliver it to the applicant and other intervenors no later than 4:45 pm, Friday, March 13, 2009.
- NRG shall reply to any comments received by filing such replies with the Board Secretary and serving a copy on all parties who make submissions no later than 4:45 pm, Tuesday, March 17, 2009.
- 5. All filings to the Board must quote file number EB-2009-0062, be made through the Board's web portal at <u>www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca</u>, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

6. All parties must also provide the Case Manager, Vincent Cooney, Vincent.Cooney@oeb.gov.on.ca, with an electronic copy of all comments and correspondence related to this case.

IMPORTANT: If you do not file any comments in response to this notice, the Board may proceed without your participation and you will not be entitled to any further notice of these proceedings.

ISSUED at Toronto March 09, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

APPENDIX "A" TO

NOTICE OF WRITTEN HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

BOARD FILE NO. EB-2009-0062

DATED March 09, 2009

EB-2009-0062 NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED QRAM APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

March 9, 2009

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| Intervenors | Reps and Address for Service |
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| 2. | Integrated Grain Processors Co-operative Inc. | Scott Stoll Aird & Berlis BCE Place, 181 Bay Street Suite 1800 Box 754 Toronto ON M5J 2T9 Tel: 416-865-4703 |
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