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April 27, 2009

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319
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RE: Request to Participate - EB-2009-0052 and EB-2009-0101 – Union Gas Ltd. Rates

Further to the notices issued by the Board on April 22, 2009, the Federation of Rental-Housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) respectfully requests that it be granted intervenor status as an interested party in the above-noted proceedings.

FRPO requests a determination in its eligibility for a cost award in this process and offers the following information in support of its request.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 250,000 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 in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board.

In EB-2009-0052, the Board has adopted the intervenor list of EB-2008-0220 and provided opportunity for application of those not involved in last year's proceeding to contact the Board for inclusion and a determination of costs prompting this letter. FRPO was not a party to that proceeding but has subsequently been an active and approved intervenor in both generic and utility-specific proceedings. While not a party to the 2008 proceeding, FRPO's members will be impacted by the decision in this matter. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request intervenor status in this proceeding.

In the same vein, the Board issued a Notice of Application for EB-2009-0101 for resolution of matters pertaining to the Earnings Sharing Mechanism for Union Gas. In the Notice, the Board adopted the same EB-2008-0220 intervenor list. However, the Board did indicate a means for previously uninvolved parties to apply for status. For the reasons stated above, FRPO would respectfully request being added to the intervenor list and a determination of costs at the appropriate time as deemed by the Board.

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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Information



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