

EB-2007-0734

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 October 1, 2007.

NOTICE OF WRITTEN HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

Natural Resource Gas Limited ("NRG") filed an application on September 11, 2007 with the Ontario Energy 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 was made pursuant to NRG's approved Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") and has been given Board File No. EB-2007-0734. The applicant seeks the following, effective October 1, 2007:

- an order reducing the reference price for use in determining amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA: Account No. 179-27) by \$0.017522 per m³ from the Board approved level of \$0.344251 per m³ to \$0.326729 per m³;
- the discontinuance of the collection of the gas commodity recovery charge approved by the Board in RP-2004-0167/EB-2004-0413;
- an order reducing the gas supply charge by \$0.025317 per m³ from the Board approved level of \$0.352125 per m³ to \$0.326808 per m³ to prospectively clear balances in the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account (GPRA) and to discontinue the collection of the gas commodity recovery charge approved by the Board in RP-2004-0167/EB-2004-0413.

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 RP-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 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.
- 2. 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, Wednesday, September 19, 2007. 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 (6 hard copies plus an electronic copy by e-mail) and serving a copy on NRG on no later than 4:45 pm, Friday, September 21, 2007.
- 4. NRG shall reply to any comments received by filing such replies with the Board Secretary (6 hard copies plus an electronic copy by e-mail) and serving a copy on all parties who make submissions no later than 4:45 pm, Tuesday, September 25, 2007.
- 5. All parties must also provide the Case Manager, Turgut Hassan,

 <u>Turgut.Hassan@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>, 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 September 18, 2007

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Peter H. O'Dell Assistant Board Secretary

APPEDIX "A" EB-2007-0734 Notice of Written Hearing and Procedural O4der No. 1 Dated: September 18, 2007

EB-2005-0544 NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED TEST YEAR 2007

LIST OF APPLICANT AND INTERVENORS

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