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Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2010-0055 Union Gas. 2011 DSM Plan – OSEA Late Intervention
Request**

The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) is requesting that the Board grant a late intervention request in the above noted application and requests cost eligibility for its proposed participation.

We are advised that Ms. Joanne Clarke of Union Gas' regulatory department confirmed to OSEA that they could apply for late intervention and make the enclosed request. OSEA participated in the DSM Guidelines proceeding EB-2008-0346 and would like the opportunity to participate in this proceeding on the same basis.

We understand that the deadline for interrogatories has passed and we would not be seeking any accommodation in that regard, but propose to provide submissions on Union's application and interrogatory responses by August 4, 2010.

Further to our cost eligibility submission request for EB2-2008-0346, we would like to provide additional clarification on OSEA's mandate and membership¹ and establish that OSEA does represent a public interest issue with respect to the issues in the above noted proceedings.

¹ A more detailed listing of OSEA's board of directors, mandate and members is attached.



The organization was established to promote the vision of assisting Ontario to transition to 100% sustainable energy. The Board in previous decisions has noted that OSEA's mandate is to promote renewable energy and community sustainability. To clarify, renewable energy and energy efficiency are the twin pillars of sustainable energy and so OSEA has a dual mandate in two different but complementary technical areas that both support the overall goal of community sustainability. We ask that the Board recognize the other part of OSEA's mandate (energy efficiency) in determining that OSEA indeed represents a public interest issue with respect to the issues in the above noted proceeding.

The *Green Energy and Green Economy Act* (Ontario) (the "GEGEA") has helped to forward the objectives of sustainable energy and with the passing of the GEGEA, sustainable energy has now become a part of the public interest.

OSEA has demonstrated its commitment to this public interest issue through its broad advocacy and capacity building roles and can play a meaningful role in the above noted proceedings as it has done in the past.

In conclusion, the GEGEA resulted in a broadened set of objectives for the Board² to include areas that fall under the ambit of sustainable energy. For this reason, we feel that OSEA does indeed represent a public interest issue with respect to the issues in the above noted proceeding and we respectfully request cost award eligibility on behalf of OSEA.

We look forward to receiving your response.

Yours truly,

Cherie Brant

cc: OSEA

² Schedule D to the GEGEA amended the objectives of the Board in the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 to include the promotion of conservation of electricity and demand management, the facilitation of investments to implement a smart grid and the promotion of the use and generation of electricity from renewable energy sources.



OSEA BACKGROUND AND MANDATE INFORMATION

- ♦ OSEA's Vision: Every Ontarian is a conserver and generator of sustainable energy either through a household or through a local community owned business, contributing to the transition to 100% sustainable energy.
- ♦ OSEA's Mission: To serve the community power sector including households, farms, First Nations, co-operatives and collaborative businesses, local distribution companies, municipalities, other institutions and non-community power partners: through advocacy, public outreach and capacity building.
- ♦ As a facilitator of the sustainable energy sector and community power, OSEA develops resources, tools and best practices to enable individual residents, and community power proponents to become generators and conservers of clean, green, sustainable energy. In this way, OSEA can also be viewed as representing direct interests of consumers who will use revenues from generating electricity to reduce their energy bills.
- ♦ OSEA's Member Services: As an umbrella organization and resource clearinghouse for the sustainable energy sector in Ontario, OSEA provides a variety of services to its members including: a unified voice for addressing policy makers, working groups and workshops, presentation templates, discounted guidebooks and facilitating the sharing of documents and resources to promote sustainable energy.

OSEA – LIST OF MEMBERS

1. Robert Hellier, Chair and Director, *Coordinator of the Sustainable Energy & Building Technology Program at Humber College;*
2. Derek Satnik, Vice-Chair and Director, *Member: Canada Green Building Council Committee, Community Renewable Energy Waterloo, Local Initiative for Future Energy, Net Zero Energy Housing Coalition, Principal: Mindscape Innovations.*
3. William Big Bull, Director, *First Nations consultant to wind power projects on First Nations Lands*
4. David DeYoe, Director, *Rural development, sustainable community development and bio-economic strategy proponent, Principal: Bio-Trend Systems Inc.*
5. Graham Findlay, Director, *Consulting energy project developer and asset manager for several Institutional and First Nations clients, Principal: 3G Energy*
6. Paul Finley, Director, *Member Greater Sudbury Business Development Team, Chair of Environmental Committee of Municipality of West Nipissing;*
7. Jim Fonger, Treasurer and Director, *Principal: GEBOC, specializing in helping organizations discover, develop and finance new green economy initiatives;*



8. Judith Lipp, Director, *Executive director of Toronto Renewable Energy Co-operative, involved in management of Lakewind Energy project, SolarShare project, supporting role to Green Energy Act Alliance in its campaign to introduce the Green Energy Act;*
9. Roger Peltier, Director, *Energy planner for Wikwemikong First Nation*
10. Karim Saleh, Secretary and Director, *Principal: SKON Technologies, wind power development company;*
11. Paul Charbonneau, Director, *Solar and Sustainable industries proponent, Principal: EnergyAdvocate.ca;*
12. Tom Heintzman, Advisor to the Board for Households; *Former legal practitioner to Sierra Legal Defence, Zenon Environmental and co-founder of BullFrog Power;*

ASSOCIATIONS

AgriEnergy Producers' Association of Ontario
Canadian Solar Industries Association
Canadian Union of Skilled Workers
Canadian Wind Energy Association
Ontario Co-operative Association
Sustainable Energy Alliance

ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Camerado Energy Consulting Inc.
Cote Design
Crooked House Inc.
Elliott Sinclair
Fraser & Company
Kameleon Marketing Communications
New Media Architects

EMERGING COMMUNITY POWER GROUPS

A&T Energy
Burritt's Rapids Community Association
Orangeville & Dufferin County Wind Co-op
Simcoe Huronia Association for Renewable Energy

COMMUNITY POWER GROUPS

Burlington Green



CREDIT UNIONS

Italian Canadian Savings & Credit Union

MANUFACTURERS

Enercon Canada Inc.
Green-First Technologies
Morgan Solar
REpower Systems Inc.
Schuco Canada Inc.
Solar Solutions Canada
Wind Simplicity Inc.

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Centennial Energy Institute
Durham Sustain Ability
Earth Rangers
Windfall Ecology Centre

ENERGY CO-OPS

AgEnergy Cooperative
Barrie Wind Catchers
Community Renewable Energy Waterloo (CREW)
Countryside Energy Co-op
Green Timiskaming Development Co-operative Inc.
Local Initiative for Future Energy (LIFE) Co-operative
Minnow Lake Wind Co-op
Superior Renewable Energy Co-operative (SREC)
Sustainable Ottawa Community Energy Co-operative
Toronto Renewable Energy Co-operative (TREC)
Upper Lakes Environmental Research Network (ULERN)
Windy Hills Caledon Renewable Energy

OTHER ASSOCIATES

Canadian German Chamber of Industry and Commerce
Canada's Outdoor Farm Show & Canadian Energy Expo
Collingwood Properties Realty CID
Detroit Diesel-Allison Canada East
EvolutionGreen.com
Pro-Power & Energy
Think Green Alliance
Toronto Atmospheric Fund (TAF)



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

3G Energy Corp.
Advanced Green Technologies
Alternate Power International
AMP Solar Group
AxiA Solar
Centre for Applied Renewable Energy
EnergyAdvocate.ca
Eolectric Inc.
Generation Seven Consulting
Helix Synergy
Leader Energy
Main Street Power Company
Mainstream Renewable Power
PACE
Preneal Canada
Roubos Wind Energy
Saturn Power
Schneider Power
SKON Technologies
SkyPower Limited
Sun Run

FAITH COMMUNITIES

AMJ Canada (Ahmadiyya Muslim Community)
Neighbourhood Unitarian Universal Congregation

MUNICIPALITIES

Blind River Development Corporation
Economic Development Corporation of Wawa
Hearst and Area Economic Development Corporation
Kapuskasing Economic Development Corporation
North Shore Power Group
Prince Edward County
Sarnia-Lambton Economic Partnership
Township of Wellington North

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

M.K. Ince & Associates

VENDORS/DISTRIBUTORS/INSTALLERS

BuyWise Energy Consultants Inc.



Canadian Solar Solutions Inc.
EfstonScience Inc.
EthoSolar
Grid-Tie Solar
Friendly Fuel Solutions
Intervolt Electric Ltd.
Pioneer Solar
Solar Stream Green Energy Group

ONTARIO UTILITIES

Fort Albany Power Corporation

OTHER ASSOCIATES

Farmers for Economic Opportunity
Golden Dawn Senior Citizen's Home
Harbourfront Centre
Warren Woods Land Corporation

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