



**EB-2010-0300**  
**EB-2010-0333**

**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 Union Gas Limited for an order or orders pre-approving the cost consequences associated with three long-term natural gas transportation contracts;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for an order or orders pre-approving the cost consequences associated with a long-term natural gas transportation contract.

## **NOTICE OF HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2**

Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an application on October 5, 2010 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") seeking approval of the cost consequences associated with three long-term natural gas transportation contracts. The three contracts are for transportation services on the TransCanada PipeLines ("TCPL") system between Niagara and Kirkwall, between Parkway and Union's Eastern Delivery Area and between Parkway and Union's Northern Delivery Area. The application was assigned Board File No. EB-2010-0300.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application dated November 9, 2010 with the Board seeking approval of the cost consequences associated with a long-term natural gas transportation contract. The contract is for transportation service on the TCPL system between Niagara and Enbridge's Central Delivery Area. The application was assigned Board File No. EB-2010-0333.

On November 1, 2010, the Board issued a Notice of Application and Procedural Order No. 1 with respect to Union's EB-2010-0300 Application setting November 17, 2010 and November 30, 2010 for filing interrogatories and filing interrogatory responses respectively.

By letter dated December 21, 2010, the Board requested additional information from Union regarding the EB-2010-0300 Application. Union responded to the Board's request by letter dated January 6, 2011.

On December 1, 2010, the Board issued a Notice of Application and Procedural Order No. 1 with respect to Enbridge's EB-2010-0333 Application setting December 10, 2010 and December 29, 2010 for filing interrogatories and filing interrogatory responses respectively.

Pursuant to section 21 (5) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the Board will consider these applications together through a consolidated hearing.

The Board notes that both Union and Enbridge have filed evidence and interrogatory responses in support of their respective applications. As part of its review, the Board expects that Union and Enbridge to fully and completely address the criteria set out in the Filing Guidelines for Pre-Approval of Long-Term Natural Gas Supply Transportation Contracts, in particular Part V, Other Considerations item 5.2. Item 5.2 requires "an assessment of retail competition, impacts and potential impacts on existing transportation pipeline facilities in the market (in terms of Ontario customers)".

The Board considers it necessary to make provisions for the following procedural matters related to these proceedings.

**THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

The Board will hold an oral hearing on **Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 9:30 am** in the Board's hearing room on the 25<sup>th</sup> floor, 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto. If required the oral hearing may continue on Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

**ISSUED** at Toronto, January 7, 2011

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

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