

EB-2007-0606 EB-2007-0615

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Union Gas Limited for an Order or Orders approving or fixing a multiyear incentive rate mechanism to determine rates for the regulated distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective January 1, 2008;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for an Order or Orders approving or fixing rates for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective January 1, 2008;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** a combined proceeding Board pursuant to section 21(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998.

## PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 17

Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an Application on May 11, 2007 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. c.15, Sched. B, as amended, for an order of the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") approving or fixing a multi-year incentive rate mechanism to determine rates for the regulated distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective January 1, 2008.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge" or "EGD") filed an Application on May 11, 2007 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. c.15, Sched. B, as amended, for an order of the Board approving or fixing rates for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective January 1, 2008.

The Board has assigned file number EB-2007-0606 to the Union Application and file number EB-2007-0615 to the Enbridge Application and has issued a Notice of Applications and Combined Proceeding dated May 25, 2007.

On January 18, 2008 Enbridge filed a letter with the Board requesting that the Board extend the filing date for the Settlement Agreement from January 23, 2008 to January 28, 2008 and, if granted, amend the hearing schedule accordingly. Enbridge indicated that it has reached an agreement in principle with the intervenors, save three, who have been active in settlement negotiations and is working toward finalizing an agreement by January 25, 2008.

The Board has not received any objections from parties to Enbridge's request.

The Board considers the request reasonable under the circumstances and accepts the requested amendment to the hearing schedule.

## The Board therefore orders that:

- 1. The case timetable attached as Appendix "A" to this Procedural Order replaces the one attached to Procedural Order No.15.
- 2. The oral hearing(s) indicated in Appendix "A" will be held at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto in the Board's hearing room commencing at 9:30am.

**DATED** at Toronto, January 22, 2008.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

## **APPENDIX A**

## Union Gas Limited and Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. 2008 Rates Case (EB-2007-0606/0615) Timetable (Procedural Order No. 17)

	Event	Date 2008
	I. File Enbridge Settlement Proposal	Jan 28
2	<ol> <li>Enbridge Settlement Proposal Hearing and commencement of the Oral Hearing (Union and Enbridge)</li> </ol>	Jan 31