

EB-2011-0263 EB-2011-0264

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING

GAS FRANCHISE APPROVAL AND APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE CITY OF TEMISKAMING SHORES

Union Gas Limited (the "Applicant") has filed an application dated July 11, 2011 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 9 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended (the "Act"), for an order of the Board approving the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores (the "Corporation") is, by by-law, to grant to the Applicant the right to construct and operate works for the distribution of gas and the right to extend and add to the works in the City of Temiskaming Shores (the "Municipality"). The Applicant has also applied for an order of the Board declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the by-law is not necessary. The Board has assigned file number EB-2011-0263 to the franchise renewal application.

The Applicant has a franchise agreement with the former Town of New Liskeard which expires on December 17, 2021, the former Town of Haileybury which expires on December 18, 2021, and with the former Township of Dymond which expires on April 7, 2012.

The Applicant also holds three Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity (the "Certificates") for the geographical area of the Corporation: E.B.C. 31, for the former Town of New Liskeard, F.B.C. 27 and E.B.C. 9, for the former Town of Haileybury, and E.B.C. 10, for the former Township of Dymond. The Town of New Liskeard, the Town of Haileybury, and the Township of Dymond were amalgamated on January 1, 2004 and the Municipality was renamed the City of Temiskaming Shores.

The Applicant has applied, pursuant to section 8 of the Act, for an order of the Board cancelling the existing Certificates associated with the former Town of New Liskeard, Town of Haileybury, and Township of Dymond and replacing them with a Certificate for the geographic boundaries of the City of Temiskaming Shores. The Board has assigned file number EB-2011-0264 to the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity application.

This application will be decided by the Manager, Natural Gas Applications, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B). The Manager, Natural Gas Applications does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

Copies of the application and pre-filed evidence will be available for public inspection at the Board's offices, the Applicant's offices, and at the office of the Corporation at the addresses indicated below.

The Board intends to proceed with the application by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board within **7 days** of the publication date of this Notice.

If you wish to participate in the written hearing, you may make a written submission that is received by the Board no later than **14 days** after the publication date of this Notice, with a copy to the Applicant, at the addresses below. If the Applicant wishes to respond to the written submissions, such response must be received by the Board no later than **21 days** after the publication date of this Notice. All submissions must be received by the Board Secretary by **4:45 p.m.** on the required dates.

Before placing a written submission on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the document (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the submission will become part of the public record. All filings to the Board must quote file numbers **EB-2011-0263 and EB-2011-0264** and

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DATED at Toronto, July 19, 2011

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