

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS GAS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF DAWSON CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF DAWSON UNION GAS LIMITED

On May 16, 2012, Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board under the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M55 as amended (the "Act"). The application is for an order of the Board renewing Union's right to operate works and add to works for the distribution of gas in the Township of Dawson for a period of 20 years. Union 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-2012-0256 to the application.

On January 1, 1997, the former Township of Atwood, the former Township of Dilke, the former Township of Worthington and the former Township of Blue were amalgamated to form the Township of Dawson.

Union currently has Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former Township of Atwood (E.B.C.201, dated July 6, 1993), and the former Township of Dilke (E.B.C. 202 dated July 6, 1993). Union does not have Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former Township of Worthington and the former Township of Blue.

Union has also applied for an order of the Board that cancels the existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former municipalities within the Township of Dawson and replaces these with a new Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for those areas of the recently amalgamated Township of Dawson. The Board has

assigned file number EB-2012-0257 to the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity application.

The 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 the Application.

How to see Union's Application

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2012-0256 or EB-2012-0257 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and at Union's office at the address below.

How to Participate

Comment

If you wish to give your opinion on the proceeding you are invited to send a written letter of comment to the Board no later than **30 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Board. All letters of comment will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website. Before placing the letter of comment on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the letter of comment (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 letter of comment will become part of the public record. Please address your letter of comment to the Board Secretary at the address below, and reference file number **EB-2012-0256 and EB-2012-0257** at the top of your letter.

Observe

If you do not wish to actively participate in the proceeding but you do wish to receive documents issued by the Board, you may request observer status. Your written request must be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. All letters requesting observer status will become part of the public

record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website. Before placing the request for observer status on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the request (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of an individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the request for observer status will become part of the public record.

Intervene

If you wish to actively participate in the proceeding (e.g. submit questions, file argument), you may request intervenor status from the Board, no later than **10 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. Instructions for requesting intervenor status are available on the Board's website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate. Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which can be seen at the Board's offices and on the Board's website.

If you do not have internet access, please call 1-888-632-2727 to receive information about this proceeding and how to participate.

IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDING.

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Corporation of the Township of Dawson

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DATED at Toronto, June 11, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

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