



**EB-2012-0295**

## **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

### **GAS FRANCHISE APPROVAL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE**

On June 19, 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 La Vallee for a period of 20 years. The Board has assigned file number EB-2012-0295 to the application.

Union has a franchise agreement with the Township of La Vallee which expires on September 8, 2013.

Union holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate works and add to works for the distribution of gas in the geographical area comprising the Township of La Vallee (E.B.C. 203).

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-2012-0295 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and at Union's office at the addresses provided 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-2012-0295** 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](http://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.**

**Addresses**

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Toronto ON M4P 1E4

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Board Secretary

Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (Toll free)  
Fax: 416-440-7656

**Union Gas Ltd. (Head Office)**

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Chatham ON N7M 5M1

Attn: Patrick McMahon  
Manager, Regulatory Research and  
Records

Tel: 519-436-5325  
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**Corporation of the Township of La  
Vallee**

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Devlin ON P0W 1C0

Attn: Ms. Sylvia Smeeth  
Clerk-Treasurer

Tel: 807-486-3452  
Fax: 807-486-3863

**Union Gas Ltd. (District Office)**

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Thunder Bay ON P7B 6M4

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District Manager, Northwest

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**DATED** at Toronto, July 6, 2012

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary