

July 17, 2012

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street Suite 2700 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

RE: EB-2011-0210 – Union Gas Limited – 2013 Rates Application – Day 2 Undertaking Responses

Dear Ms. Walli,

Please find attached Union's responses to the undertakings from Day 2 of the EB-2011-0210 proceeding.

Yours truly,

[original signed by]

Chris Ripley Manager, Regulatory Applications

cc: Crawford Smith, Torys EB-2011-0210 Intervenors

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Undertaking of Mr. Buonaguro To Mr. Gardiner

Please calculate the load forecast and revenue deficiency for 2013 as though it were year 6 of the IRM period.

Est. AU Deferral Amount For YEAR 2013

Rate Class	\$ Millions	Paid to
Rate old M2	\$2.382	Union Gas
Rate 01	0.876	Union Gas
Rate 10	(0.428)	Customers
Total	\$2.830	

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Please calculate the impact of a revenue deficiency with a 50-50 Blend.	

The revenue deficiency would decrease by 6.323 million assuming a 50/50 blend of the 30 year average and 20-year declining trend.

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Undertaking of Mr. Thompson, added to by Ms. Taylor
<u>To Ms. Van Der Paelt</u>

Undertaking J2.3: For rate 20, to provide model for identified and disaggregated, economic versus ground-up

The tables below provide for each contract rate class, by volume and by revenue for the 2013, the forecast methodology used for that particular rate class.

2013 Contract Volumes by Rate Class and Forecast Method (Volumes in 10⁶m³)

Rate Class	Bottom Up	Econometric Greenhouse	Econometric LCI/Key	Total
100	1,891			1,891
20	353	-	257	610
25	96	-	34	129
T1	4,666			4,666
M7	147			147
M4		30	351	380
M5		243	288	531
Other (T3, M9, 77)	334			334
Total	7,486	273	930	8,689

2013 Contract Revenue by Rate Class and Forecast Method (\$ millions)

Rate Class	Bottom Up	Econometric Greenhouse	Econometric LCI/Key	Total
100	12.7			12.7
20	5.2	-	4.5	9.7
25	1.5	-	0.8	2.3
T1	57.8			57.8
M7	4.0			4.0
M4		0.9	10.0	10.8
M5		4.5	4.4	8.9
Other (T3, M9, 77)	5.4			5.4
Total	86.6	5.4	19.6	111.6

⁽¹⁾ Revenue is calculated using Q1, 2011 Rates

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Undertaking of Mr. Buonaguro
<u>To Mr. Gardiner</u>

Please reproduce J1.1 using the heat-sensitive load.
Please see Attachment 1.

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Southern Regional HDD Weights

Year 2006

ACTUAL HEATING DEGREE DAYS 18C

					Sarnia/			Delhi/			
_		Windsor	Sarnia	London	London	Delhi	Waterloo	Waterloo	Hamilton	Total Company	
base + heating load	Weights	19.6%	4.9%	21.5%	26.4%	7.9%	14.9%	22.8%	31.2%	100%	filed at J1.1
heating load	Weights	17.4%			25.3%			25.7%	31.6%	100%	

these regions are now combined

Northern Regional HDD Weights

Year 2006

ACTUAL HEATING DEGREE DAYS 18 C

		Inti.	I nunder			North						
		Falls	Bay	KAP	Timmins	Bay	Sudbury	S.S. Marie	Muskoka	Kingston	Total	
_		(Manitoba)	(Western)	(NDA)	(NDA)	(NDA)	(NDA)	(S.S. Marie)	(Central)	(Eastern)	Company]
base + heating load	Weights	1.3%	20.0%	8.9%	8.9%	8.9%	8.9%	8.3%	7.9%	26.8%	100%	filed in J1.1
heating load	Weights	1.4%	19.2%	8.8%	8.8%	8.8%	8.8%	8.3%	8.2%	27.6%	100%	Ï

The base + heating load weights equal each region's share of the total general service throughput volumes. The heating load weights equal each region's share of the total general service heating only throughput volumes.

Base load includes: water heating, cooking and drying, plus process load for commerial / industrial customers. % heating load indicates the space heating share of the total general service throughput volumes in each region.

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Undertaking of Mr. Shepherd To Mr. Gardiner

Please provide 2013 degree days based on ten-year through to 30-year trend, keeping 2010 as the last year.

TREND YEAR NORMAL ESTIMATION: last year 2010

with 9 comparisons between the test year estimate and the actual year

	UNION SO	UTH	UNION NORTH			
Trend Time Span	2013 Estimate HDDs	Ranking	2013 Estimate HDDs	Ranking		
10 Year	3,749	18	4,741	19		
11 Year	3,720	17	4,716	18		
12 Year	3,761	20	4,782	20		
13 Year	3,868	21	4,892	21		
14 Year	3,769	19	4,778	17		
15 Year	3,672	16	4,673	16		
16 Year	3,634	15	4,635	15		
17 Year	3,597	14	4,624	14		
18 Year	3,565	8	4,595	9		
19 Year	3,554	4	4,575	3		
20 Year	3,599	3	4,626	1		
21 Year	3,643	2	4,671	2		
22 Year	3,611	1	4,634	4		
23 Year	3,606	5	4,645	5		
24 Year	3,635	7	4,718	6		
25 Year	3,639	11	4,734	7		
26 Year	3,640	12	4,725	8		
27 Year	3,635	13	4,743	10		
28 Year	3,639	10	4,758	11		
29 Year	3,635	9	4,752	12		
30 Year	3,634	6	4,776	13		

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The above analysis is based on a 3 year regulatory lag and demonstrates the best weather normal to be in the 20 to 22 year time frame in the south and 20 years in the north.

Comparison Methodology: For each trend time span, test year estimates are prepared and compared to the actual weather for the year in question. The criteria of symmetry, accuracy and stability are considered. The weightings for these criteria are 3:2:1 respectively; this follows the practice of the 2004 rate case weather normal evidence. The method with the lowest weighted score is scored as the top method. The historic weather data base starts in 1971.

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Undertaking of Mr. Thompson
<u>To Mr. Gardiner</u>

Please provide additional deficiency impact of continuing the 55:45 methodology in contract categories assessed econometrically.

	Throughput Impact Volume	Revenue Impact
	(10^3 m^3)	_
LCI	8,000	\$61,524
Greenhouse	3,298	\$45,024

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Undertaking of Mr. Quinn To Ms. Van Der Paelt

Please confirm first month of	of plant overrun.

The in-service date for the Halton Hills facility was August 2009. The facility was consuming gas volume for each month throughout 2010 with the first occurrence of overrun volumes being consumed in June 2010.

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Undertaking of Mr. Millar <u>To Mr. Gardiner</u>

Please provide pre-update numbers for LCI.

22.3

6.5

	Original Volume (1	$10^6 \mathrm{m}^6$)
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
LCI	1,037	982
Greenhouse	303	315
	Original Revenue (\$	millions)
	2012	2013

22.9 \$

6.3 \$

LCI

Greenhouse \$

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Undertaking of Mr. Millar To Ms. Van Der Paelt

Please update LCI numbers in lines 3 and 4 of Exhibit C1, Tab 2, Table 2.

	Up	Updated Volume (10 ⁶ m ⁶)					
		2012					
LCI		1,063		1,016			
Greenhouse		316		319			
	Upda	ated Reve	nue	(\$ millions)			
		<u>2012</u>		2013			
LCI	\$	23.1	\$	22.5			
Greenhouse	\$	6.4	\$	6.6			