

July 19, 2012

Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Toronto, Ontario
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Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

**RE: EB-2011-0210 – Union Gas Limited – 2013 Rates Application – Day 4
Undertaking Responses**

Dear Ms. Walli,

Please find attached Union's responses to the undertakings from Day 4 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. Thompson
To Ms. Evers

For 2007 to 2012, please provide flow through to ratepayers of capacity-release-type transactions, LBA fees transactions, capacity assignment cases not already filed, and other RAM optimization transactions.

- a) As described at Exhibit J.C.4-7-10, page 2, paragraph 1, where Union releases unutilized pipe to the market due to excess supply to the plan, any value received for the pipe is credited to ratepayers to offset UDC costs. The chart below provides the total UDC costs incurred, the released value of the pipe, and the net UDC costs that were charged to ratepayers.

<u>\$000's</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>(YTD</u> <u>May)</u>
UDC Costs						
Incurred	\$5,202	\$12	\$3,273	\$9,645	\$834	\$3,814
Released Value	(\$4,016)	\$0	(\$1,338)	(\$7,257)	(\$309)	(\$2,847)
Net UDC Costs	\$1,186	\$12	\$1,935	\$2,387	\$525	\$967

Releasing the pipe to the market to obtain value is Union's preferred approach. However, as described at Transcript, Day 3, page 10, lines 21-25, in some instances, the pipe may be unutilized for a term that is less than a month or there may not be market value for the pipe.

If the empty pipe is TCPL capacity, when Union leaves the pipe empty, RAM credits are generated and Union's S&T department will act on market opportunities to utilize RAM credits. From 2007 to 2012, there was one month only when RAM credits of \$240,000 were generated resulting in revenues of \$60,000 which flowed through UDC to ratepayers.

- b) As described at Exhibit J.C.4-7-10, page 2, paragraph 2, the benefit to ratepayers for RAM credits used to fund a base minimal level of interruptible transportation to manage LBA fees is provided at Exhibit J.3.2.
- c) As described at Exhibit J.C.4-7-10, page 2, paragraphs 3 and 4, S&T revenue generated for optimizing the transportation portfolio by assigning long-haul firm transportation and utilizing the RAM program is provided at Exhibit J.C-4-7-9, Attachment 2.

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To Ms. Hodgson

Please provide breakdown of assignments in J.C-4-7-10, Attachment 1, page 10 of the compendium, between the EDA, CDA and the NCDA.

Please see the Attachment.

Eastern Zone Capacity Assignments*
GI/d

Line No.	Receipt Point	Delivery Area		Winter 07/08					Summer '08						
				Nov '07	Dec '07	Jan '08	Feb '08	Mar '08	Apr '08	May '08	June '08	Jul '08	Aug '08	Sept '08	Oct '08
1	Empress	Eastern Zone	TOTAL	-	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	65,753	80,753	60,753	60,753	60,753	65,753	65,753
2			EDA	-	-	-	-	-	13,000	20,000	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
3			CDA	-	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	52,753	52,753	52,753	52,753	52,753	52,753	52,753
4			NCDA	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
				Winter 08/09					Summer '09						
				Nov '08	Dec '08	Jan '09	Feb '09	Mar '09	Apr '09	May '09	June '09	Jul '09	Aug '09	Sept '09	Oct '09
5	Empress	Eastern Zone	TOTAL	28,000	48,000	48,000	48,000	48,000	77,556	97,556	97,556	108,556	108,556	108,556	97,556
6			EDA	-	-	-	-	-	9,556	29,556	29,556	40,556	40,556	40,556	29,556
7			CDA	20,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
8			NCDA	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
				Winter 09/10					Summer '10						
				Nov '09	Dec '09	Jan '10	Feb '10	Mar '10	Apr '10	May '10	June '10	Jul '10	Aug '10	Sept '10	Oct '10
9	Empress	Eastern Zone	TOTAL	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	92,832	92,832	92,832	92,832	92,832	92,832	92,832
10			EDA	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	32,832	32,832	32,832	32,832	32,832	32,832	32,832
11			CDA	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
12			NCDA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
				Winter 10/11					Summer 11						
				Nov '10	Dec '10	Jan '11	Feb '11	Mar '11	Apr '11	May '11	June '11	July '11	Aug '11	Sept '11	Oct '11
13	Empress	Eastern Zone	TOTAL	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	96,796	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000
14			EDA	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000
15			CDA	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	68,000	68,204	68,204	68,204	68,204	68,204
16			NCDA	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,796	8,796	8,796	8,796	8,796	8,796
				Winter 11/12					Summer 12						
				Nov '11	Dec '11	Jan '12	Feb '12	Mar '12	Apr '12	May '12					
17	Empress	Eastern Zone	TOTAL	74,796	60,000	60,000	60,000	80,000	117,796	117,796					
18			EDA	-	-	-	-	20,000	40,000	40,000					
19			CDA	66,000	60,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	69,000	69,000					
20			NCDA	8,796	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	8,796	8,796					

* not including capacity assignments to Union's franchise customers

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To Ms. Hodgson

Please provide penalties already incurred for terminated Alliance/Vector Transportation Contract and projections for 2013-2015.

At the time the analysis was conducted, the penalty charges for terminating the contract in 2015 were projected by Alliance and communicated to Union as \$0.055/dth for the remaining 5 years of the contract. The chart below reflects the actual charge incurred for 2011 and 2012.

2011 - \$1.4234 USD/Dth/mo (\$0.047 US/dth)
2012 – 1.4294 USD/Dth/mo (\$0.047 US/dth)

The landed cost analysis at the time of renewal was completed and is shown in Attachment 1 illustrates the landed cost of the Alliance-Vector path was uneconomic.

2010-2020 Alliance-Vector Transportation Contracting Analysis

<u>Route</u>	<u>Point of Supply</u>	Basis Differential \$US/mmBtu	Supply Cost \$US/mmBtu	Utilized Demand Charge \$US/mmBtu	Commodity Charge \$US/mmBtu	Fuel Charge \$US/mmBtu	100% LF Transportation Inclusive of Fuel \$US/mmBtu	Landed Cost. \$US/mmBtu	Landed Cost \$CDN/GJ	Point of Delivery
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D) = Nymex + C	(E)	(F)	(G)	(I) = E + F + G	(J) = D + I	(K)	(L)
Dawn	Dawn	0.553	7.1191	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	\$7.12	\$ 7.08	Dawn
Alliance/Vector - Non Renewal	Alliance Field Zone (Yr 1-5)/Chicago (Yr 6-10)	-0.197	6.3689	0.9352	-0.1494	0.1745	0.9602	\$7.33	\$ 7.29	Dawn
Alliance/Vector - Renewal	Alliance Field Zone	-0.663	5.9032	1.5654	-0.3008	0.3188	1.5834	\$7.49	\$ 7.45	Dawn
TCPL SWDA	Empress	-0.329	6.2372	1.3154	0.0564	0.1441	1.5159	\$7.75	\$ 7.71	Dawn

Assumptions used in Developing Long-term Transportation Contracting Analysis:

Annual Gas Supply & Fuel Ratio Forecasts	Point of Supply Col (B) above	2010 \$US/mmBtu	2011 \$US/mmBtu	2012 \$US/mmBtu	2013 \$US/mmBtu	2014 \$US/mmBtu	2015 \$US/mmBtu	2016 \$US/mmBtu	2017 \$US/mmBtu	2018 \$US/mmBtu	2019 \$US/mmBtu	Average Annual Gas Supply Cost \$US/mmBtu	Fuel Ratio Forecasts Col (G) above
Henry Hub (NYMEX) \$US/mmBtu		\$5.28	\$4.72	\$5.91	\$6.18	\$6.45	\$6.99	\$6.98	\$7.05	\$7.85	\$8.25	\$6.57	
Dawn	Dawn	\$5.61	\$5.06	\$6.33	\$6.65	\$7.01	\$7.66	\$7.63	\$7.72	\$8.54	\$8.98	\$7.12	
Alliance/Vector - Non Renewal	Alliance Field Zone (Yr 1-5)/Chicago (Yr 6-10)	\$4.60	\$4.08	\$5.27	\$5.53	\$5.78	\$7.26	\$7.20	\$7.30	\$8.11	\$8.54	\$6.37	5.40% - (Yr 1-5)
Alliance/Vector - Renewal	Alliance Field Zone	\$4.60	\$4.08	\$5.27	\$5.53	\$5.78	\$6.31	\$6.25	\$6.42	\$7.19	\$7.60	\$5.90	0.347% - (Yr 6-10)
TCPL SWDA	Empress	\$4.89	\$4.35	\$5.56	\$5.84	\$6.12	\$6.68	\$6.63	\$6.78	\$7.56	\$7.97	\$6.24	5.40%
													2.31%

Sources for Assumptions:

Gas Supply Prices (Col D):	Energy & Environmental Analysis; April 2010
Fuel Ratios (Col G):	Average ratio over the previous 12 months or Pipeline Forecast
Transportation Tolls (Cols E & F):	Tolls in effect on Alternative Routes at the time of Union's Analysis
Foreign Exchange (Col K)	\$1 US = \$0.953 CDN
Energy Conversions (Col K)	1 dth = 1 mmBtu = 1.055056
Union's Analysis Completed:	Jun-10

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Undertaking of Mr. Millar
To Mr. Shorts

Please provide fully allocated costs for St. Clair and Bluewater services.

Services on the St. Clair and Bluewater river crossings are purchased from St. Clair Pipelines and NEB regulated entity. St. Clair Pipelines rates were determined using a cost of service approach at the time they were established. There have been no changes to these rates over the past 10 years. St. Clair Pipeline's fully allocated costs estimated for 2013 are approximately \$1.2 million (\$1.0 million related to Bluewater and \$0.2 million related to St. Clair). This is higher than Union's forecast cost of approximately \$1.0 million.