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VIA MAIL and E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge St. Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: EB-2011-0210 Union Gas Ltd. 2013 Rate Application

I am writing with respect to the question the Board has raised with respect to the following sentence that appears on page 21 of the Submissions of VECC filed on August 21, 2012:

It appears to VECC the Board has decided that the gas supply plan for 2013 should not itself be disturbed, and VECC agrees.

We deeply apologize for the apparent assertion in that sentence; the Board explicitly has <u>not decided</u> that the gas supply plan for 2013 should not be disturbed, as set out in the Transcript, Volume 3, pages 113-114, where in the context of questions about alternative gas supply options the Board clearly stated:

And you can of course in your submissions argue for a change in the mix. That would be up to you.

VECC would respectfully ask that the Board allow VECC to withdraw the sentence in question from the record, and restate the sentence that follows to read:

However In VECC's view the evidence with respect to the disparity between the asset mix dictated by Union's current gas supply

planning process and the actual asset mixed utilized by Union over the past few years as a result of the availability of RAM credits suggest that it would be appropriate for the Board to require Union to review its Gas Supply Planning process to determine whether it would be in the best interests of Union's gas supply customers if Union's approach to Gas Supply Planning more aggressively pursued a leaner Gas Supply Plan.

Thank you, and again we apologize for the misstatement.

Yours truly,

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