

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

STAFF SUBMISSION

Union Gas Limited

APRIL 1, 2013 QRAM APPLICATION

EB-2013-0033

March 12, 2013

Introduction

Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an Application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on March 8, 2013, pursuant to section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas as of April 1, 2013. The Board assigned file number EB-2013-0033 to the Application.

The Proceeding

The Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters ("CME") filed a submission on March 8, 2013. CME submitted that it is not entirely clear from footnotes in Appendix A of Union's Application how the unit rate price adjustments have been derived from the Board's February 28, 2013 Decision and Rate Order (EB-2012-0087). For this reason, CME submitted that it would rely upon the expertise of Board Staff to ensure that the balances to be credited to ratepayers as determined by the Board in EB- 2012-0087 are properly reflected in this QRAM Application.

Subject to the minor comment, CME submitted that it is satisfied that the Application is consistent with the Board-approved QRAM mechanism

Board staff submission

Board staff have considered the submission of CME and reviewed the EB-2012-0087 Decision and Rate Order with Union's Application. Board staff submit that the balances to be credited to ratepayers as determined by the Board in EB-2012-0087 are properly reflected in this Application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.