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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AND
NOTICE OF WRITTEN HEARING**

**FRANCHISE APPROVAL AND
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF MEAFORD**

Union Gas Limited (the “Applicant”) has filed an application dated April 22, 2008 with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) under section 9 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended (the “Act”), for an order of the Board approving the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the Corporation of the Municipality of Meaford (the “Corporation”) is, by by-law, to grant to the Applicant the right to construct and operate works for the distribution of gas and the right to extend and add to the works in the Municipality of Meaford (the “Municipality”). The Applicant has also applied for an order of the Board declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the by-law is not necessary. In addition, the Applicant has applied for an order of the Board superseding those parts of the existing Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (F.B.C. 301) relating to the former Town of Meaford, the former Township of St. Vincent and the former Township of Sydenham within the Municipality of Meaford and replacing it with a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the amalgamated Municipality of Meaford.

The Applicant is presently serving the Municipality of Meaford. The Applicant has franchise agreements with the former Town of Meaford (E.B.A. 295), the former Township of St. Vincent (E.B.A. 825) and the former Township of Sydenham (E.B.A. 698) which will expire respectively on June 12, 2008, February 12, 2013 and April 20, 2008.

The proposed franchise agreement covers the same territory as that covered by the existing franchise agreements.

The application will be decided by the Manager, Facilities 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, Facilities Applications does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

Copies of the application and pre-filed evidence will be available for public inspection at the Board's offices, the Applicant's offices, and at the office of the Corporation at the addresses indicated below.

The Board intends to proceed with the application by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board within 7 days of the publication date of this Notice.

If you wish to participate in the written hearing, you must forward three copies of your written submissions to the Board Secretary and one copy to the applicant at the addresses below. All submissions must be received no later than 14 days after the publication date of this Notice. If the Applicant wishes to respond to the written submissions, such response must be received by the Board no later than 21 days after the publication date of this Notice. All submissions must quote Board File Numbers EB-2008-0093 and EB-2008-0092, clearly state the sender's name and address, and be received by the Board Secretary by 4:45 p.m. on the required dates.

IF YOU DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN SUBMISSION OBJECTING TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING BY FILING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

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DATED at Toronto, May 1, 2008

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Original Signed By

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