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August 31, 2013

Ontario Energy Board

Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street

Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2013-0202 UNION GAS INCENTIVE RATEMAKING MECHANISM

REQUEST & SUPPORT

We are am writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application . The Application requests approval for amending or varying rates under Sections 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998 and requests an order approving a multi-year incentive rate mechanism ("IRM") to determine rates for the regulated distribution, transmission and storage of gas effective January 1, 2014. The resulting rates have impact on the members of the FRPO.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 300,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

ISSUE

FRPO has participated in recent Union applications and desires to assist the Board in reviewing the application in light of the rate impacts that would be generated by the project. As a result, FRPO was a party to the negotiations with Union and the resulting Comprehensive Settlement Agreement. FRPO represents the direct interest of its members who are impacted by changes to the regulated rates of Union. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully requests to be involved in all aspects of the review of this Application.

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REPRESENTATION

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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