

EB-2007-0020

IN THE MATTER OF the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Union Gas Limited for an order cancelling existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for certain geographic areas that now form part of The Municipality of Greenstone and replacing these with a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

By delegation, before: Neil McKay

DECISION AND ORDER

Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an application dated January 24, 2007 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended (the "Act"), for an order of the Board that cancels the existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity ("Certificates") for the former municipalities that now form part of The Municipality of Greenstone (the "Municipality") and replaces the existing Certificates with a new Certificate for the Municipality. The Board has assigned file number EB-2007-0020 to this application.

The Board's Notice of Application and Written Hearing was published on February 15, 2007. There were no intervenors.

On January 1, 2001, the former Town of Geraldton, the former Town of Longlac, the former Township of Beardmore and the former Township of Nakina were amalgamated to form the Municipality.

Union has Certificates for the former Town of Geraldton (F.B.C. 72), the former Township of Beardmore (E.B.C. 199) and the former Town of Longlac (E.B.C. 38). Union also has Certificates for the unorganized Townships of Ashmore (E.B.C. 15) and Errington (E.B.C. 16), which are within the Municipality. Union does not have a Certificate for the former Township of Nakina. There is no other natural gas utility other than Union in this area.

The Board finds that it is in the public interest to grant the application and that public convenience and necessity requires that approval be given.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former Town of Geraldton (F.B.C. 72), the former Township of Beardmore (E.B.C. 199), the former Town of Longlac (E.B.C. 38) and the unorganized Townships of Ashmore (E.B.C. 15) and Errington (E.B.C. 16), which are within the municipality, are cancelled.
- 2. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, attached as Appendix A to this Decision and Order, is granted to Union Gas Limited to construct works to supply gas in the Municipality of Greenstone.

DATED at Toronto, April 3, 2007

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Neil McKay Manager, Facilities Applications

APPENDIX A

TO BOARD DECISION AND ORDER

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DATED: April 3, 2007

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

for the Municipality of Greenstone

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

The Ontario Energy Board hereby grants

Union Gas Limited

approval under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended, to construct works to supply gas to the

Municipality of Greenstone

This certificate replaces the certificates of the former townships and the unorganized townships that are now within the Municipality of Greenstone.

DATED at Toronto, April 3, 2007

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