

April 1, 2014

Ms Kirsten Walli
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RE: Cedar Point Wind Energy Project OEB File Number EB-2014-0022

Dear Ms Walli:

Re: Board File No.: EB-2014-0022

Notice of Request for Cost Recovery: Concerned Seniors Group – Lambton County

Please consider this letter as a formal request for cost recovery for the Concerned Seniors Group in the hearing EB-2014-0022

The cost recovery is for consulting services in the preparation of interrogatories and submissions by Mr. James Wightman of Econalysis Consulting Services. His CV is attached for reference.

We believe, that as group of seniors and ratepayers, we qualify for cost recovery as stipulated in Section 3.03 Cost Eligibility:

3.03 A party in a Board process is eligible to apply for a cost award where the party:

(a) primarily represents the direct interests of consumers (e.g. ratepayers) in relation to services that are regulated by the Board

We have also offered to merge our group with the WAIT-PW intervenor group to streamline the process for this hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Econalysis Consulting Services

James Wightman

James Wightman brings seven years experience in the regulation of the energy sector to ECS. Prior to joining ECS, James has extensive regulatory experience and has managed gas rate cases and electricity cases at the Ontario Energy Board.

At ECS, James provides support to intervenors at energy and auto insurance proceedings and assists public interest clients in preparing applications to regulatory boards.

James has taught courses at York University, Algoma University, and at community colleges in microeconomics, macroeconomics, international trade, and mathematics. James holds a BA in Economics/Mathematics, an MA in Economics, and a PhD in Economics specializing in Natural Resource Economics.

EXPERIENCE

Econalysis Consulting Services Consultant, 2005-Present

- Provided consulting services, including analysis of pre-filed evidence, issue identification, informational requests, evidentiary support, hearing support, and submissions support to public interest clients based in Ontario, Manitoba, and British Columbia.
- Automobile Insurance
 - Manitoba Public Insurance 2006 General Rates Application
- Natural Gas
 - Terasen Gas Vancouver Island Revenue Requirement 2006-07
 - Terasen Gas Inc. Southern Crossing Pipeline and Inland Pacific Connector
 - Greenfield Energy Centre LP Bypass Application
 - Ontario Energy Board Natural Gas Electricity Interface Review
 - Union Gas Limited 2006 rates
 - Ontario Energy Board Minimum Filing Requirements Consultative
 - Terasen Gas Inc. 2005 Annual Review
 - Ontario Energy Board Service Quality Requirements Consultative
 - Union Gas Limited Transactional Services Methodology
 - Terasen Gas Inc./Terasen Gas Vancouver Island Return on Equity
 - Terasen Gas Whistler Pipeline and Conversion from Propane
 - PNG West 2006 Revenue Requirement
 - PNG North East 2006 Revenue Requirement
 - Union Gas Limited 2007 Rates
 - Union Gas Limited 2005 Deferral Account and Earnings Sharing Disposition

- Union Gas Limited Disposition of Proceeds from 2004 Cushion Gas Sale
 - Terasen Gas Inc. Residential Commodity Unbundling
- Electricity
 - Independent Electricity System Operator 2006 Fees

Ontario Energy Board Project Advisor, 2004-2005

- Provided analytical expertise and case management services in regulatory proceedings by scheduling proceedings, retaining facilitators, drafting regulatory instruments (procedural orders, rate orders, interim orders, notices) and interrogatories, briefing staff counsel, preparing briefing notes, and assisting Board panels in drafting Board decisions and orders.
- Natural Gas
 - Union Gas 2005 Rates (EB-2005-0211), disposition of 2004 deferral account balances, 2003 earnings sharing, and 2005 DSM plan
 - Union Gas Motion to Vary (EB-2005-0189) Board's 2005 earnings sharing decision
 - Union Gas Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism proceedings for July 1, 2005 (EB-2005-0290), April 1, 2005 (EB-2005-0232), January 1, 2005 (EB-2004-0499), October 1, 2004 (EB-2004-0416), and July 1, 2004 (EB-2004-0267)
 - Union Gas response to Board's M16 directive, transportation rates for embedded storage operators (EB-2004-0542)
 - Union Gas 2004 Rates (RP-2003-0063), managed cost of service rebasing case including analysis and statistical material for cross-examination on applicant's weather normalization proposal
 - Enbridge Gas Distribution 2006 Rates (EB-2005-0001), provided analytical support to team, drafted interrogatories

Rates Advisor, 2000-2004

- Case Manager for all of Union's main rates cases, NRG rates case, pooled transmission rates case, electricity distribution rates cases
- Proceeding scheduling, drafting regulatory instruments, analysis of evidence, preparation of briefing materials, assistance to panel in drafting decisions
- Natural Gas
 - Union Gas 2003 Rates (RP-2002-0130), implementing rates for final year of trial PBR plan during Customer Review Process
 - Union Gas 2001-2002 Rates (RP-2001-0029), implementing rates for first two years of trial PBR plan during Customer Review Process

- Union Gas 2000-2003 Rates, transitional rates for 2000 and for 2001-2003 rates under the first comprehensive gas PBR plan approved by Board; conducted the cross-examination of Union's and intervenors' expert PBR panels
- Case Manager, Natural Resource Gas 2000 Rates (RP-1999-0031)
- Electricity
 - Project Lead for pooled wholesale transmission rates project (RP-1999-0044/RP-2001-0034/RP-2001-0035/RP-2001-0036) to set rates for Hydro One, Great Lakes Power, Canadian Niagara, and Five Nations Energy
 - Great Lakes Power, load forecast and revenue requirement for pooled rates (RP-2001-0035)
 - Kashechewan 2001 Interim Distribution Rates and 2002 Pre-Market Opening Rates, (RP-2001-0053)
 - Fort Albany Interim Distribution Rates (EB-2001-0089)

Regulatory Officer, 1998-2000

- Member of Union Gas 1999 Rates (EBRO 499) team, providing analysis of prefiled evidence, drafting interrogatories
- Analysis of franchise renewal applications, gas storage applications

York University

Course Director, 1988-2004

- Delivered over 50 semester courses in introductory microeconomics, introductory macroeconomics, intermediate microeconomics, intermediate macroeconomics, international trade theory, project appraisal, and mathematics

EDUCATION

PhD, Economics

York University, Natural Resource Economics, 1994

MA, Economics

York University, 1987

Honours BA, Economics and Mathematics

York University, 1985