Annual Disbursement Report for 2013 - Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) Funds - Kitchener Utilities Natural Gas

- a) LEAP funds, in total and broken down as follows:
 - funds provided by the distributor to its social agency partner(s) for LEAP emergency financial assistance - <u>\$37,769</u>
 - ii. funds received by the distributor's social agency partner(s) from non-distributor sources
 (i.e. donations) that were earmarked for, and used to top up, the LEAP emergency
 financial assistance funds. <u>nil</u>
- b) LEAP funds disbursed, in total and broken down as follows:
 - i. money allocated for agency administration and program delivery \$5,665
 - ii. grants provided to the distributor's customers \$45,127 (*See comments below)
- c) The month in which LEAP funds were depleted August
- d) Total number of applicants for LEAP emergency financial assistance 140
- e) Total number of LEAP emergency financial assistance applicants assisted 140
- f) Total number of LEAP emergency financial assistance applicants denied nil
- g) Average grant per accepted applicant assisted \$322.34
- h) Confirmation that the distributor's social agency partner(s) has/have adhered to the processes and requirements set out in the LEAP Emergency Financial Assistance Program Manual – Kitchener Utilities (KU) confirms that Region of Waterloo Social Services has adhered to processes and requirements set out in the LEAP EFA program manual. KU and its ratepayers are appreciative of the efforts of Region of Waterloo Social Services in capably assisting lowincome energy consumers in Kitchener by their administration of the LEAP EFA program. <u>Comments:</u> * There was \$13,023.76 of 2012 LEAP funding remaining that was carried over to 2013.

All applicants are assisted in one way or another through our coordinated Waterloo Region Energy Assistance Program (WREAP). In addition to LEAP funds, \$31,369.55 was provided to Kitchener Utilities customers through the provincial Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) program.