



EB-2014-0186

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
GAS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL ELGIN**

Natural Resources Gas Limited

On April 28, 2014, Natural Resources Gas Limited ("NRG") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board under the *Municipal Franchises Act*. The application is for an order approving the terms and conditions upon which, and the period for which, the Corporation of the Municipality of Central Elgin is, by by-law, to grant to NRG the right to operate works and add to works for the distribution of gas in the Municipality of Central Elgin for a period of 20 years, and for an order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors is not necessary.

The application has been assigned Board file number EB-2014-0186.

The application will be decided by the Manager, Natural Gas Applications, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*. The Manager, Natural Gas Applications, does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding the application.

How to see the Application

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2014-0186 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and at NRG office at the address 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 **10 days** of the publication date of this Notice.

How to Participate

Comment

If you wish to give your opinion on the proceeding you are invited to send a written letter of comment to the Board no later than **30 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Board. All letters of comment will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website. Before placing the letter of comment on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the letter of comment (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the letter of comment will become part of the public record. Please address your letter of comment to the Board Secretary at the address below, and reference file number **EB-2014-0186** at the top of your letter.

Intervene

If you wish to actively participate in the proceeding (e.g. submit questions, file argument), you may request intervenor status from the Board, no later than **10 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. Instructions for requesting intervenor status are available on the Board's website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate. Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which can be seen at the Board's offices and on the Board's website.

If you do not have internet access, please call 1-877-632-2727 to receive information about this proceeding and how to participate.

IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDING.

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DATED at Toronto, May 21, 2014

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