Commission de l'Énergie de l'Ontario



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING UNION GAS LIMITED

LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT 29 KILOMETRES OF 12 INCH DIAMETER NATURAL GAS PIPELINE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GORHAM AND CITY OF THUNDER BAY

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECCESITY IN TOWNSHIP OF GORHAM

Union Gas Limited ("Union") has filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, (the "Board") dated January 17, 2006, under section 90 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B). Union has applied for an order of the Board granting leave to construct approximately 29 kilometres of 12 inch diameter steel natural gas pipeline in the unincorporated Township of Gorham and City of Thunder Bay. The proposed pipeline will proceed from the existing TransCanada Pipeline Thunder Bay Metering Station located at Concession 4, Lot 6 in the Township of Gorham to the Ontario Power Generation Customer Station located on Mission Island in City of Thunder Bay. The Board has assigned the leave to construct application File No. EB-2006-0004.

Union also filed an application with the Board, under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.55, for an order approving a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("certificate") for the unincorporated Township of Gorham. The Board has assigned the certificate application File No. EB-2006-0017.

A map showing the location of the proposed pipeline is included as Schedule A to this notice.

Construction of the proposed pipeline will allow Union to meet the future natural gas requirements of Ontario Power Generation's Thunder Bay Generating Station.

Union plans to construct the facilities during the summer and fall of 2006 and bring the pipeline into service for March of 2007.

How to see Union Gas Limited's Pre-filed Evidence

Copies of the application and the pre-filed evidence in support of Union's application will be available for public inspection at the Board's offices, at Union's head office and its regional office, at the offices of the City of Thunder Bay and the Lakehead Rural Planning Board.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

You may send the Board a letter of comment. Your letter should include any request to make an oral presentation to the Board, and must be received by the Board no later than 30 days from the publication date of this notice.

You may request observer status in order to receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter received by the Board no later than 10 days from the publication date of this notice.

You may request intervenor status if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter of intervention received no later than 10 days from the publication date of this notice, or, if you have been served this notice personally, no later than 10 days from the date of service. Your letter of intervention must include a

description of how you are, or may be, affected by the proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. The Board may choose to hold either a written or an oral hearing. Your letter of intervention should indicate your preference for a written or oral hearing, and the reasons for that preference. The Board may order costs in this proceeding. You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs from the applicant and the grounds for your eligibility for costs. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the applicant.

Need More Information?

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's Web site at www.oeb.gov.on.ca or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

How to Contact Us

In responding to this notice please reference Board file numbers EB-2006-0004 / EB-2006-0017. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

For your convenience, the Board accepts letters of comment by either post or e-mail. Our e-mail address is Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca Please include the application file reference number in the subject line of your e-mail.

Letters of intervention must be sent to the Board by regular mail to the address below. Please remember that you must send a copy of your request for intervention to the applicant at the address listed below.

<u>IMPORTANT</u>

IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS.

FURTHER, IF THE APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT IS GRANTED, THE APPLICANT MAY SUBSEQUENTLY APPLY TO EXPROPRIATE LANDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PIPELINE IF NECESSARY.

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John Zych Board Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO THE NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING BOARD FILE NOs. EB-2006-0004 / EB-2006-00017

DATED: February 2, 2006

MAP OF PROPOSED PIPELINE

