



EB-2006-0020

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*,
1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union
Gas Limited for approval of the parties to, the period of,
and the storage that is the subject of a long-term gas
storage contract, identified as Contract No. LST050,
between Union Gas Limited and Nexen Marketing.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

GAS STORAGE CONTRACT APPROVAL

The Application

Union Gas Limited has filed an application, dated February 2, 2006, with the Ontario Energy Board under section 39(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an order of the Board approving, without a hearing, the parties to, the period of, and the space for storage that is the subject of a long-term Gas Storage Contract (the "Contract") with Nexen Marketing ("Nexen").

The Board has assigned file number EB-2006-0020 to the application.

The Contract

The Contract would, subject to Board approval, provide Nexen with 2,110,112 GJ (1.97 Bcf) of firm gas storage space for the period April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2010.

The first contract year will be covered under the parameters of Union's current Board-approved blanket storage policy and Union is seeking approval for continuation of the contract for the second, third and fourth contract years.

Procedure

The persons receiving this Notice are participants in the Natural Gas Forum, the Natural Gas Electricity Interface Review and/or proceedings to set natural gas rates for 2006.

The filed application is available on the public record at the Board's offices, address below, and at the office of the applicant, address listed in attachment "A".

Union has requested that the Application be disposed of without a hearing on the grounds that no person will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of this Application. The Board has not yet determined whether to hold a hearing in relation to the Application, and invites submissions on the issue from interested persons.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Interested persons that believe they will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of this proceeding may file a written submission with the Board requesting that the Board hold a hearing in relation to the Application. The submission should clearly indicate the nature of the material adverse effect that is being asserted. The submission must be filed with the Board, and a copy sent to Union at the address listed in Appendix A, no later than **Tuesday, February 28, 2006**.
2. Responses to the submission(s) may be filed with the Board by Union no later than **Tuesday, March 7, 2006**, with a copy to the person that provided the submission.
3. All filings to the Board must be in the form of 9 hard copies, must include the sender's name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All filings must be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and must be received by the Board by **4:45 p.m. on the required date**. Filings must reference file number EB-2006-0020. The Board requests that, in addition to the hard copies which are filed, all parties make every effort to include a copy of their filings on a disc or by e-mail, in searchable PDF or Word format.

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4. All filings with the Board should be directed to:

John Zych, Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
2300 Yonge St.
Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1E4
Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (toll free)
Fax: 1-416-440-7656
E-mail: boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca

ISSUED at Toronto, February 16, 2006.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary

APPENDIX “A”

TO

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Union – Nexen Gas Storage Contract

Board File No. EB-2006-0020

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Other Parties

All Natural Gas Forum Participants
All Natural Gas Electricity Interface Review Participants
All Natural Gas 2006 Rate Hearings Participants