

EB-2014-0274

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Natural Resource Gas Limited for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas effective October 1, 2014.

#### PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 AND INTERIM RATE ORDER

Natural Resource Gas ("NRG") filed an Application on August 22, 2014 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. c.15, Sched. B, as amended, for an order of the Board approving or fixing rates for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective October 1, 2014. The Board assigned file number EB-2014-0274 to the Application and issued a Notice of Application on September 9, 2014.

In its application, NRG has requested continuation of the current incentive ratemaking framework used to set distribution rates and other charges for NRG's next two fiscal years, from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016. In addition, NRG is seeking a deferral account to implement a new demand side management program commencing January 1, 2015.

NRG has also requested that the Board require IGPC to provide additional financial information and information related to IGPC's natural gas requirements upon expiration of the current gas delivery contract in April 2015.

NRG has further requested that the Board declare NRG's current rates interim effective October 1, 2014. I will declare NRG's current distribution rates interim effective October 1, 2014. NRG's rates were declared interim as part of it April 2014 QRAM application (EB-2014-0053), however, that order was in relation to NRG's gas commodity charges. The present order is in relation to NRG's distribution rates.

Intervenor status was requested by Union Gas Limited, IGPC Ethanol Inc. and Integrated Grain Processors Co-operative.

I have determined that all parties who requested intervenor status in this proceeding will be granted intervenor status. The list of intervenors in this proceeding is attached as Appendix "A" to this procedural order.

I consider it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

#### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. NRG's current rates are declared interim effective October 1, 2014.

All filings to the Board must quote file number **EB-2014-0274** and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the Board's web portal at <a href="https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/">https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</a>. Two paper copies must also be filed. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <a href="http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry">http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry</a>. If the web portal is not available, parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

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.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Khalil Viraney at <a href="Michael.Willar@ontarioenergyboard.ca">Khalil.Viraney@ontarioenergyboard.ca</a> and Board Counsel, Michael Millar at <a href="Michael.Millar@ontarioenergyboard.ca">Michael.Millar@ontarioenergyboard.ca</a>

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DATED at Toronto, September 30, 2014

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

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## **APPENDIX "A"**

# To Procedural Order No. 1 and Interim Rate Order NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED

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# **APPLICANT AND LIST OF INTERVENORS**

**September 30, 2014** 

# Natural Resource Gas Limited EB-2014-0274

#### APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

**September 30, 2014** 

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