

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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 Union Gas Limited for an order or orders clearing certain non-commodity related deferral accounts and sharing utility earnings pursuant to a Board-approved earnings sharing mechanism.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

ASSOCIATION OF POWER PRODUCERS OF ONTARIO (APPrO)

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1. Zizzo Allan DeMarco LLP is counsel to the Association of Power Producers of Ontario (“**APPrO**”) and hereby requests intervenor status on APPrO’s behalf in the above-noted proceeding.

A. APPrO and its Interest in this Proceeding

2. APPrO is a non-profit organization representing more than 100 companies involved in the generation of electricity in Ontario, including generators and suppliers of services, equipment and consulting services. APPrO’s members produce electricity from natural gas, hydro, nuclear, wind, biogas and other sources.
3. Union Gas Limited (“**Union**”) has filed an application seeking approval to clear certain non-commodity 2014 deferral account balances and include certain 2014 earnings amounts that are subject to sharing under Union’s Incentive Rate Mechanism (“**IRM**”).
4. Most of APPrO’s gas-fired generator members are large volume customers and are some of the largest customers within Union’s North and South franchises. These large volume customers individually contract for significant quantities of distribution services from Union. Within the Union franchise, gas-fired generators primarily contract for distribution services under Rate 20, Rate 25, and Rate 100 in Union North and T2 in Union South. Many of these gas-fired generators also contract for Union’s M12 and other transmission services. These gas-fired generator members stand to be directly and materially affected by this Application.

B. APPrO’s Experience as a Frequent Intervenor

5. APPrO has a record of participating in Ontario Energy Board (“**Board**”) proceedings as an intervenor. A description of APPrO, its mandate and objectives, membership and representative constituency, and programs and activities are summarized in Attachment I.

C. Nature and Scope of APPrO’s Intended Participation

6. APPrO intends to be an active participant in this proceeding, and will act responsibly to coordinate with other intervenors where common issues may arise and be otherwise addressed. APPrO intends to participate to request information, participate in any requisite motions, test evidence through the stipulated processes, submit written interrogatories, participate in settlement discussions and provide argument in accordance with the Board’s procedures stipulated for this proceeding. Subject to the development of the record in this matter, APPrO may also submit evidence.

D. Request for Written Evidence

7. APPrO requests that a copy of the written evidence upon which the Application is based be provided to its consultant and counsel.

E. Costs

8. In accordance with s. 3.03(a) of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards, APPrO is eligible to seek an award of costs from Union, as APPrO is a party that primarily represents the direct interests of consumers in relation to services that are regulated by the Board.
9. The Board has deemed APPrO an intervenor eligible for costs in previous proceedings. These proceedings include, among others: Union's 2014-2018 IRM Proceeding (EB-2013-0202), Union's application for an order or orders approving a one-time exemption from its approved rate schedules to reduce certain penalty charges applied to direct purchase customers who did not meet their contractual obligations (EB-2014-0154); Union's 2013 Rebasing Proceeding (EB-2011-0210); and Union's Burlington and Oakville Reinforcement Application (EB-2014-0182). APPrO believes it is appropriate for the Board to award APPrO costs in the context of this proceeding as well.

F. APPrO's Representatives

10. If APPrO is granted intervenor status by the Board, APPrO requests that further communications with respect to this proceeding be sent to the following:

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AND TO ITS CONSULTANT

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED THIS
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ATTACHMENT I

The Association of Power Producers of Ontario

Description

The Association of Power Producers of Ontario (“**APPrO**”) is a not-for-profit trade and professional organization which represents Ontario-based commercial electricity generators and suppliers of services, equipment and consulting services. APPrO is the largest organization of its type in Canada. APPrO was established in 1986 as the Independent Power Producers’ Society of Ontario and changed its name to APPrO in 2003.

Mandate and objectives

APPrO’s principal objective is the achievement of an economically and environmentally sustainable electricity sector in Ontario that supports the business interests of electricity generators. APPrO’s role in the electricity sector is to raise awareness and understanding of its members’ concerns with senior decision-makers in government, regulatory bodies and the public at large.

Membership and representative constituency

APPrO currently has about 100 corporate members, who collectively produce more than 95% of the electricity made in Ontario. APPrO’s members produce electricity from a range of sources, including natural gas, hydroelectricity, cogeneration, windpower, solar energy, biomass, biogas, nuclear energy, coal, and other sources. The total value of assets owned or operated by APPrO members is estimated at more than C\$50 billion, and the total annual sales of electricity by APPrO members exceeds C\$7 billion per year (wholesale value).

Programs and activities

APPrO acts as an advocate for its members. It aims to have a voice on regulatory and policy issues which affect generators in Ontario, including electricity market rules, power procurement processes, the regulation of the natural gas market (both provincially and federally), climate change rules and compliance mechanisms, approval requirements, transmission development, distributed generation, and a number of other issues. APPrO is a leading advocate for public policies and regulatory treatments that it believes will facilitate the development of power generation in the province and assist in the development of a more open and competitive market for power.

APPrO also organizes industry conferences and produces a number of publications. APPrO’s magazine, IPPSO FACTO, is an authoritative periodical on the electricity business and policy issues in Canada.

APPrO’s authorized representative in OEB proceedings

APPrO’s authorized representatives in proceedings before the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) is through its consultant, Elenchus Research Associates (“**Elenchus**”), represented by John Wolnik, and its counsel, Zizzo Allan DeMarco LLP (“**ZAD**”), represented by Lisa (Elisabeth) DeMarco, with support from ZAD associates.