

EB-2015-0029 EB-2015-0049

#### Union Gas Limited and Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.

# Applications for approval of 2015-2020 demand side management plans.

# PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 June 9, 2015

Union Gas Limited (Union) and Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) filed applications, dated April 1, 2015, with the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB) under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for orders approving their respective demand side management (DSM) plans for the years 2015 to 2020. The OEB decided that it will hear both DSM plan applications as part of a combined proceeding.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 on May 12, 2015. In Procedural Order No. 1, the OEB granted intervenor status and cost eligibility to a number of parties. The OEB also scheduled dates for the filing of interrogatories, the filing of intervenor evidence and a technical conference.

The OEB received a late intervention request and a request for cost eligibility from the Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) on May 21, 2015. On May 28, 2015, the OEB issued a letter granting OSEA intervenor status and cost eligibility. An updated list of intervenors is attached as Appendix A to this Order.

The OEB received letters from the Green Energy Coalition (GEC), the School Energy Coalition (SEC), Environmental Defence, and the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) requesting that the OEB adjust the procedural schedule established in Procedural Order No. 1. Specifically, GEC requested that the OEB schedule the technical conference prior to the deadline for the filing of intervenor

evidence and extend the deadline for the filing of intervenor evidence. GEC's request was supported by SEC, Environmental Defence, and BOMA.

Enbridge responded to the letters filed by intervenors on May 15, 2015. Enbridge stated that the schedule changes proposed by intervenors would delay the eventual issuance of a decision in the combined proceeding and that it is more appropriate to hold a technical conference after all the evidence in the proceeding has been filed (which would include intervenor evidence).

The OEB will adjust the procedural schedule to accommodate the request of intervenors. However, the OEB will also schedule a second technical conference for clarification questions on the evidence filed by intervenors. The OEB expects that all parties will coordinate the development of evidence and questions for the technical conferences when possible.

The OEB will not hold a formal settlement conference in this combined proceeding. The OEB notes that the issues of budgets and targets are not eligible for formal settlement amongst parties as established by the Report of the Board in EB-2014-0134. The OEB also notes that nearly all of the potential issues in this proceeding are in some way related to the issues of budgets and targets. As such, all issues will proceed to hearing.

Finally, the OEB will schedule an oral hearing for this proceeding.

Provisions 1 to 3 from Procedural Order No. 1 remain unchanged, including the deadline for filing interrogatory responses on the applicants' evidence (June 23, 2015).

The OEB considers it necessary to make provisions for the following matters related to this proceeding replacing provisions 4 to 7 in Procedural Order No. 1. The OEB may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

#### THE OEB ORDERS THAT:

A transcribed technical conference will be convened on July 6, 2015
beginning at 9:30 am in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th
Floor, Toronto. The technical conference will continue on July 7, 2015, if
necessary. The technical conference will allow parties to clarify matters arising
from the interrogatory responses related to the evidence of Union and

Enbridge. Parties intending to participate in the technical conference are required to file with the OEB and copy all other parties confirmation of the particular areas of the evidence that they seek to address, or seek clarification on, by **July 2, 2015.** 

- 2. If OEB staff or any intervenor would like to file evidence that is relevant to this proceeding, that evidence shall be filed with the OEB, and copied to Union, Enbridge and intervenors, by **July 21, 2015**.
- 3. If any party is seeking information and material with respect to any evidence filed by OEB staff or any intervenor that is in addition to the evidence filed with the OEB, and that is relevant to this proceeding, that information shall be requested by written interrogatories filed with the OEB, and copied to Union, Enbridge and intervenors, by **July 31, 2015**.
- 4. Any party that receives interrogatories on its evidence shall file with the OEB complete responses to the interrogatories and copy the responses to Union, Enbridge and intervenors by **August 12**, **2015**.
- 5. A transcribed technical conference will be convened on August 17, 2015 beginning at 9:30 am in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto. The technical conference will continue on August 18, 2015, if necessary. The technical conference will allow parties to clarify matters arising from the interrogatory responses related to the evidence of OEB staff and the intervenors. Parties intending to participate in the technical conference are required to file with the OEB and copy all other parties confirmation of the particular areas of the evidence that they seek to address, or seek clarification on, by August 13, 2015.
- 6. The oral hearing will commence on **August 19, 2015** beginning at 9:30 am in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto. The oral hearing will continue until **August 28, 2015**. At this time, the Board is unable to assess the number of hearing days that will be appropriate. Parties should be prepared to sit the week of **August 31, 2015** to **September 4, 2015** in the event the Board determines additional hearing days are required.

All filings to the OEB must quote file numbers **EB-2015-0029 / EB-2015-0049**, be made electronically through the OEB's web portal at <a href="https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice">www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice</a> in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address.

All filings shall use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <a href="https://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry">www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry</a>. If the web portal is not available, parties may email their documents to the address below.

For all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include in their distribution lists the Case Manager, Lawrie Gluck at <a href="mailto:Lawrie.Gluck@ontarioenergyboard.ca">Lawrie.Gluck@ontarioenergyboard.ca</a> and Legal Counsel, Michael Millar at <a href="mailto:Michael.Millar@ontarioenergyboard.ca">Michael.Millar@ontarioenergyboard.ca</a>.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

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# **APPENDIX A**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2** 

**UPDATED APPLICANTS AND LIST OF INTERVENORS** 

BOARD FILE NO. EB-2015-0029 / EB-2015-0049

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