

EB-2015-0181

Union Gas Limited

Application for approval to change the reference price used in the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism process and to set rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas effective January 1, 2016

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 September 23, 2015

Union Gas Limited (Union) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on July 15, 2015 pursuant to section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for approval to change the reference price used to set commodity rates through the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism process. Union is proposing this change to better reflect the changes in its gas supply transportation portfolio going forward.

Union has also requested a new optional North T-Service Transportation from Dawn service to provide customers with access to Dawn-based supply. These changes will mainly impact Union North transportation, storage and commodity rates.

A Notice was issued on August 7, 2015 and was served and published as directed by the OEB.

The following parties applied for intervenor status:

- Association of Power Producers of Ontario (APPrO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association Toronto (BOMA)
- Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME)
- Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.
- Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO)
- Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA)
- London Property Management Association (LPMA)
- Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators (OAPPA)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)
- The Corporation of the City of Kitchener (Kitchener)
- Timiskaming-Cochrane, Provincial Electoral District, John Vanthof, MPP
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Each of APPrO, BOMA, CME, FRPO, IGUA, LPMA, OAPPA, SEC and VECC also applied for cost award eligibility. No objections were received regarding the requests for intervenor status or cost eligibility.

I hereby grant intervenor status to each of the parties listed above and find that each of APPrO, BOMA, CME, FRPO, IGUA, LPMA, OAPPA, SEC and VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The list of intervenors in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this procedural order.

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. OEB staff and intervenors that require information and material from Union that is in addition to Union's evidence and that is relevant to the hearing, shall request it by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and delivered to Union and all intervenors by **October 13, 2015**.
- 2. Union shall file with the OEB complete responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to all intervenors by **November 3, 2015**.
- 3. A Settlement Conference will be convened at 9:30 a.m. on **November 9, 2015** to **November 11, 2015**, inclusive, with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues. The Settlement Conference will be held at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto.
- 4. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than 4:45 p.m. on **November 30, 2015**.
- 5. If a settlement proposal is filed, OEB staff's submission on the settlement proposal shall be filed with the Board and served on all parties within **7 days** from when any settlement proposal is filed.
- 6. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, Union shall file a statement to that effect with the Board by **November 23**, **2015**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2015-0181 and be made electronically in searchable / unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal

at https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/. 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 http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry. 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.

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DATED at Toronto, September 23, 2015 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj Registrar

Schedule A

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