Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2015-0166 EB-2015-0175

Union Gas Limited Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.

Applications for pre-approval of the cost consequences of long-term natural gas transportation contracts with NEXUS Gas Transmission

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 September 25, 2015

This proceeding concerns applications filed by Union Gas Limited and Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for pre-approval of the cost consequences of their respective long-term transportation contracts with NEXUS Gas Transmission commencing November 1, 2017.

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued Procedural Order No.1 on July 31, 2015 in which dates were set for a Technical Conference on September 8 and 9, 2015, and a deadline of September 17, 2015 was set for intervenors to declare their intent to file evidence in the proceeding.

Only one intervenor has declared an intent to file evidence. Mr. Ron Tolmie filed a notice of intent on September 17, 2015, and provided a supplementary description of his proposed evidence on September 22, 2015. Mr. Tolmie said the evidence would consist of reports from the National Energy Board, the OEB, the IESO and other government agencies, and data from Statistics Canada. Mr. Tolmie indicated that he would not offer an expert witness to speak to the reports.

The OEB will not accept Mr. Tolmie's proposed evidence in this proceeding because it is out of scope in the context of the issues to be considered. Much of what Mr. Tolmie plans to file pertains to electricity generation and electrical energy storage in the Province of Ontario. The OEB finds that Mr. Tolmie's issues relate largely to broader questions of the future of electricity supply and demand in Ontario and hence are policy matters beyond the OEB's mandate in the context of the particular applications before it in this proceeding. The OEB will issue further procedural directions in due course.

THE OEB THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Mr. Tolmie shall not file the evidence set out in his letter of September 22, 2015 with the OEB.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2015-0166 / EB-2015-0175** and be made electronically in searchable / unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. 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 <u>http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry</u>. 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.

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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 25, 2015

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