

VIA E-MAIL

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Ontario Energy Board  
Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary  
P.O. Box 2319  
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**RE: EB-2015-0116 - UNION GAS 2016 RATE APPLICATION**

**REQUEST & SUPPORT**

We are writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application. The Application by Union Gas, pursuant to section 36 (1) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, requests an order or orders approving changes to rates under the incentive ratemaking approach approved by the Board in EB-2013-0202. The resulting rate changes impact members of the FRPO.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

**ISSUES**

FRPO has participated in recent Union Gas applications and desires to assist the Board in reviewing the application in light of the rate impacts that would be generated by this Application. The rate impacts emanate from the application of the approach agreed to in the Settlement Agreement approved by the Board in EB-2013-0202. The determination of rate changes and the Gas Supply evidence ought to be tested and understood for its appropriateness relative to past decisions and the Board's standard of just and reasonable. FRPO members are impacted by the rate changes from this application. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully requests to be involved in all aspects of the review of this Application.

**REPRESENTATION**

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,



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