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VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2015-0181 – Union Gas Limited Dawn Reference Price
Interrogatories of Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1 please find enclosed the interrogatories of VECC in the above-noted proceeding. We have also directed a copy of the same to the Applicant.

Yours truly,

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REQUESTOR NAME
TO:
DATE:
CASE NO:
APPLICATION NAME

VECC
Union Gas Limited
October 13, 2015
EB-2015-0181
Dawn Reference Price

A-VECC-1

Reference: A/T1/pg.20-22

- a) Please explain what financial impact (if any) the transition of the DCQ obligations from Empress to Dawn has on Union's North bundled DP customers.
- b) Has Union notified all such customers of the proposed change beginning April 1, 2016?
- c) Please provide any comments or feedback from these customers as to the proposed adjustments through to November 1, 2017.

A-VECC-2

Reference: A/T1

- a) What are the estimated annual incremental revenues expected due the increased use of storage assets and Dawn-Parkway transportation under the proposed gas supply plan?

A-VECC-3

Reference: A/T1/Schedule 1

- a) Please provide the presentation of the proposed gas supply plan and cost allocation changes that were provided to Union's Executive management.

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Reference: A/T2/pg.7 Table 2 / A/T2/Appendix A/Schedule 11

- a) Union is proposing to remove the transportation fuel charge from the new Union North West and North East Zones. The evidence states that 85% of supply is expected to be sourced from Dawn by 2017. This would imply 15% would continue to attract a fuel charge. Schedule 11 paragraphs B

also appears to consider the continuation of a fuel charge. Please explain whether the proposal will eliminate 100% of the fuel charges.

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Reference: A/T2/pg. 28/Table 5

- a) Please provide the most recent customer numbers by class for the MDA, WDA, SSMDA, NDA, NCDA and EDA zones.
- b) Please demonstrate the revenue neutrality of the Updated 2018 Gas Supply Plan (line 10 Total Bill) and the Updated Gas Supply plan under the new proposed rate design (line 21 Total Bill).

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Reference: A/T9/S4

- a) The proposed rate design would have identical rates for the MDA, WDA and SSDA (North West) zones. Similarly, the NDA, NCDA and EDA (North East) zones would all be charged the same rates. The postage stamp proposal for these two new zones implies there are no significant cost differences as between the old zones and the new zones under the proposed gas supply plan. Please confirm this is correct.
- b) Under the current rate design/cost allocation the WDA (North West) and NDA (North East) are outliers. Please explain how the cost differentials presumably captured under the current cost allocation/rate design are eliminated under the new plan.

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Reference: A/T3/pg.14

- a) Please confirm that Union's proposed North East T-Service is the combination of C1 service and the reselling of a TCPL transportation service.
- b) If this is correct please identify the TCPL service that is being contracted and the current rate for that service.
- c) Union aware of any similar service (precedent) under which the Ontario Energy Board has approved a service which includes reselling of a service regulated by different agency?

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