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Ms. Kirsten Walli,
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD
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December 7, 2015

Re: EB-2015-0179

Dear Ms. Walli:

As per Procedural Order No. 2, November 30, 2015 the Board asked parties that anticipate filing evidence regarding EB-2015-0179, to notify the Board of their intention and to provide a description of the nature of that evidence by December 7, 2015. Please accept this as our request for intervenor status for the application by Union Gas Limited identified as EB-2015-0179.

The attached paper outlines our interests in the proceedings related leave to construct applications. Thank you in advance for your considerations.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Currie', enclosed in a large, loopy, handwritten flourish.

Neil Currie
General Manager
Ontario Federation of Agriculture

EB-2015-0179



ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, c.15, Schedule B, and in particular, S. 90 thereof;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union Gas Limited for an Order or Orders for approval of Union's Distribution System Expansion Project proposals;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union Gas Limited for an Order or Orders granting leave to construct natural gas pipelines and ancillary facilities required to serve the communities of Milverton, Prince Township and, the Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation and Lambton Shores.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE ONTARIO FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

1. The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is applying for intervenor status in this proceeding.
2. The OFA is not a frequent intervenor and does not have frequent intervenor status in Board proceedings.
3. If the OFA is found eligible for reimbursement of reasonably incurred costs in these proceedings, we intend to apply for recovery of said costs incurred in the course of its intervention in this matter.

Statement of Interest

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is the leading advocate for Ontario farmers. The OFA is Canada's largest voluntary farm organization representing more than 37,000 farm families across Ontario, 52 county and regional federations, and 31 organizational members and affiliates. The OFA advocates their interests through government relations, lobby efforts, community representation and media relations. OFA members have a substantial interest in this proceeding, including all issues that affect rates and services available to them. Any consideration of leave to construct applications will directly impact our members.

Issues to be addressed

Additional to the OFA request submitted for Procedural Order No. 1, OFA participation through Procedural Order No.2 will focus on:

- a. Leave to construct options for any and all of Union's proposed community expansion projects including the Community Expansion Project and the Small Main Extension Project;
- b. Generally to represent the interests of farmers in this process, both those currently with access to natural gas hook up and those without access.

The Intervenor's Intended Participation

The OFA intends to participate in any pre-hearing procedures, including interrogatories or technical conferences, and settlement conferences. The OFA also intends to participate in any oral hearing of this matter, and in written or oral submissions, as well as any other parts of the process that the Board should order.

Nature of Hearing Requested

Until interrogatories have been answered, we believe it is premature to assess whether a written or an oral hearing is more appropriate in this proceeding.

Reimbursement of reasonable costs

The OFA will be requesting an award of costs for its participation in this proceeding and believes that, as a federation representing the direct interests of individual farmers, farm businesses, regional federations and commodity organizations, it meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Section 41) and its' Practice Direction on Cost Awards (Section 3.03).

Representative

The OFA requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board by each party to this proceeding be served on the intervenor as follows, (electronic copies only):

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, December 7, 2015

Original signed by



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