

January 25, 2016

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: The Corporation of the Township of Harris Franchise Agreement Board File No. EB-2016-0020

Further to my discussions with Board Staff earlier today, this is to confirm that the application submitted on January 19, 2016 is for approvals related to a franchise agreement with the Township of Harris and is not related to approval of a new Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The cover letter to the application was not accurate.

I have attached a copy of the Certificate E.B.C. 241 dated October 3, 1996 which granted Centra Gas Ontario (now Union Gas) the right to construct works to supply natural gas within the Township of Harris.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to receipt of your instructions.

Yours truly,

[Original signed by]

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Encl.



Ontario Commission Energy de l'Énergie Board de l'Ontario

IN THE MATTER OF the Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Centra Gas Ontario Inc. for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct works to supply gas and to supply gas to the inhabitants of the Corporation of the Township of Harris, District of Timiskaming.

BEFORE: P.W. Hardie Presiding Member

> J.B. Simon Board Member

ORDER GRANTING A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Centra Gas Ontario Inc. ("Centra Gas") filed with the Ontario Energy Board ("the Board") an Application dated March 5, 1996 ("the Application") under section 8 of the Municipal Franchises Act, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct works to supply gas and to supply gas to the Township of Harris in the District of Timiskaming.

The Board's Notice of Application, dated March 29, 1996 was served upon the Clerk of the Township of Harris. The Board issued a Procedural Order dated May 7, 1996 and a Notice of Hearing on July 11, 1996.

The Application was heard in Toronto on July 18, and 19, 1996 in the presence of counsel for Centra Gas and counsel for Board Staff. The Board issued an oral decision on July 19, in which the Board found that it would be in the public interest and more efficient to look at a larger project area. The hearing was adjourned sine die, and Centra Gas was given until August 31, 1996 to file further evidence. Further evidence was filed with the Board on August 28, 1996. The Board subsequently issued a Notice of Reconvened Hearing on September 12, 1996. The hearing was reconvened in Toronto on September 30, 1996, in the presence of counsel for Centra Gas and counsel for Board Staff. The Board issued a partial oral decision in which it approved the certificate of public convenience and necessity. A complete oral decision was delivered on Thursday, October 3, 1996.

THEREFORE THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("the Certificate") is granted to Centra Gas to construct works to supply gas and to supply gas in the Township of Harris in the District of Timiskaming.
- If Centra Gas should fail to substantially complete construction of the gas mains proposed in the Application within twenty-four months following the issuance of the Board's Certificate, the Certificate shall expire.
- The Board's costs shall be paid by Centra Gas forthwith upon the issuance of the Board's invoice.

ISSUED at Toronto, October 3, 1996

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Paul B. Pudge Board Secretary