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

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2015-0367

# **UNION GAS LIMITED**

Request for approval to establish the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Impact Deferral Account

**BEFORE: Allison Duff** 

**Presiding Member** 

May 17, 2016

#### INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Union Gas Limited (Union) filed an application on December 17, 2015 with the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB) pursuant to section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for an order approving the establishment of a deferral account to record the cost impacts of potential government requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions.

The OEB granted the Association of Power Producers of Ontario (APPrO), the Building Owners and Managers Association Toronto (BOMA), the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME) and the School Energy Coalition (SEC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 7, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Accounting Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Union to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Union.

The OEB received cost claims from BOMA and CME. On April 26, 2016, Union stated that it had no objections to the cost claims. By e-mail dated May 10, 2016, SEC stated that it is not filing a cost claim in this proceeding.

### **Findings**

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed by BOMA and CME to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The OEB finds that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of BOMA and CME are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Union.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:
  - Building Owners and Managers Association Toronto

\$2,176.37

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters

\$884.79

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto May 17, 2016

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary