

July 20, 2016

BY RESS

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Union Gas Limited (“Union”)  
Leamington Expansion Project  
Change Requests  
Board File # EB-2016-0013**

In response to your letter dated July 18, 2016, please find our responses to your questions, concerning the change requests for the above noted project.

Both open cut and directional drills of roadways are considered as acceptable methods for crossing roadways therefore an update to the Environmental report is not required, . In section 8.4 of the Environmental Report (“ER”) road closures are identified as a possibility. The ER recommends that traffic control plans be developed. Union has developed a traffic control plan for the proposed open cutting of County Road 18.

As identified above both directional drills and open cuts are acceptable methods for crossing roadways. During Union’s review of the project discussions with First Nations we did not get into the level of detail as to which construction techniques would be implemented, at each location along the project. As part of Union’s ongoing discussions with First Nations, we will advise of this specific road crossing technique.

In order to open cut County Road 18 additional permits, approvals and authorizations are required. Union was not in a position to submit a change request for the crossing County Road 18 until all approvals were in place. The permit from the Conservation Authority was the first approval Union obtained. Without approval to open cut the watercourse Union would not have been in a position to advance discussion with the Municipality of Leamington, the County of Essex, and the MTO. If any one of these organizations had opposed the change Union, would have constructed the road and watercourse crossing using a directional drill as originally

proposed. Union did not receive an Encroachment permit form MTO until July 8, 2016 (a copy is attached). With all of the required approval in place Union submitted the change request to the Board.

In the event that you have any questions on the above or would like to discuss in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*[Original Signed By]*

W.T. (Bill) Wachsmuth, RPF  
Senior Administrator, Regulatory Projects  
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Attach.

cc: L. Gluck, OEB  
M. Millar, OEB  
All Intervenors

Ministry of  
Transportation



Encroachment Permit

EC-2016-31L-16

CONTROLLED ACCESS

ISSUED Union Gas Ltd.  
TO: 50 Keil Drive  
Chatham, ON, N7M 5M1

**TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE HEREUNDER DESCRIBED:**

To install detour signs along Highway 3 and Highway 77 for the duration of the Essex Road 18 closure.

**PERMIT CONDITIONS:**

Signs shall be installed as per the Detour Traffic Management Plan dated May 30, 2016 (attached). The scheduled closure dates are August 22, 2016 to August 26, 2016. Signs shall not be installed until one week prior to the closure and shall be removed immediately upon the completion of construction. Signs shall be placed so as not to block the view of any existing highway signage. Please refer to attached Appendix "A" for additional conditions and contact information.

(ETR: 115-3(N)/5-0 sta.# 10+000 to 115-3(N)/14-0 sta.# 13+700)

LOT: CON.: PT/BLK: /  
GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP: Mersea  
MUNICIPALITY: Municipality of Leamington  
COUNTY/DIST/REG.: Essex  
DIA. & LENGTH OF PLANT: 0.00 mm X 4.5000 Km

ETR.: 115-3N/5-0 to 14-0

HWY.: 3

FEE: \$ 520.00

EXPIRY DATE: August 31, 2016

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE MINISTER BY THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT ACT AND THE REGULATIONS PURSUANT THERETO AND IS SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS ON THE BACK HEREOF, INCLUDING ANY AGREEMENT APPLICABLE TO THE ENCROACHMENT AUTHORIZED BY THIS PERMIT

DATED AT: London

ON: July 08, 2016

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Head, Corridor Management Section