



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2016-0122

UNION GAS LIMITED

2016 Sudbury Replacement Project

BEFORE: Ellen Fry
Presiding Member

August 9, 2016

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Union Gas Limited (Union) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on March 16, 2016 under section 90 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B (the OEB Act) for leave to construct natural gas pipelines to replace two sections of the existing Sudbury lateral NPS 10 line, to address class location changes, pipeline system integrity concerns and future growth requirements.

The OEB granted the Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On July 7, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for IGUA to file its cost claim, for Union to object to the claims and for IGUA to respond to any objection raised by Union.

The OEB received the cost claim from IGUA on July 14, 2016. On July 20, 2016, Union filed a letter stating that it had no objection to the cost claim.

OEB Findings

The OEB has reviewed IGUA's claim to ensure that it is compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB will disallow 50% of the 0.30 hour that Mr. Ian Mondrow claimed for work on June 14, 2016 to "Review and finalize submissions; review OEB Staff submissions". The OEB finds it not appropriate for an intervenor to charge for time to review the OEB Staff submission given it was circulated and filed after IGUA had filed its own submissions.

The OEB will also disallow 0.20 hour claimed by Ms. Cindy Kou on June 27, 2016 to "Review June correspondence to and from the OEB to ensure no upcoming filing requirements", given that this work was done after IGUA filed its final submission for this proceeding.

IGUA's total adjusted claim is \$3,685.92.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union shall immediately pay IGUA \$3,685.92.
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 August 9, 2016

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary