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Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: EB-2016-0186 – Union Gas Limited (Union) Panhandle Reinforcement Project.

## Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA) Technical Conference Areas of Inquiry.

As directed in Procedural Order No. 2, we write to indicate IGUA's areas of inquiry for the October 4<sup>th</sup> Technical Conference.

- IGUA sought information through interrogatories on the extent to which different customer types (including greenhouses and power generators) are driving forecast design day demand increases. We are attempting to reconcile responses to those interrogatories with the prefiled evidence and may have some follow-up questions in this area.
- 2. One of IGUA's general areas of interest is in respect of alternatives to the proposed reinforcement which could defer the need for the expansion and result in near term ratepayer savings (relative to Union's proposal) and further clarity on some of the longer term risks identified by Union prior to commitment to the project. To that end, we are attempting to reconcile Union's interrogatory responses with the pre-filed evidence on the topics of;
  - a. current Panhandle system design day capacity and incremental capacity requirements in each year of the 5 year project forecast period; and
  - b. options for, and limitations on or barriers to, incremental near term firm supply to the market area through Ojibway;

and we may have some follow-up questions in this area. (We anticipate that Mr. Quinn for FRPO and, to some extent, Mr. Wolnik for APPrO will have questions in this area and will primarily rely on them to clarify the evidence on this topic.)

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3. We may have some follow-up questions on the basis for Union's assumptions regarding the cost and viability of the CNG option noted in the pre-filed evidence.

Yours truly,

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