

August 29, 2017

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street  
Toronto, Ontario  
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**Re: EB-2015-0179 – Union Gas Limited (“Union”) – Draft Rate Order**

Dear Ms. Walli,

Pursuant to the Ontario Energy Board’s (“the Board”) August 10, 2017 Decision and Order for the above-noted proceeding, Union Gas Limited (“Union”) is writing to inform the Board it has no objections to any comments received on this application’s draft Rate Order (“DRO”).

As noted in the Decision and Order, parties had until August 24, 2017 to file comments specific to the DRO. Board Staff was the only party to submit comments. Although Board Staff had no concerns with the DRO, Board staff stated the Board panel reviewing Union’s 2016 Disposition of Deferral Account Balances Application (EB-2017-0091) should approve the rate changes pertaining to the deferral and variance account balances, and issue a Rate Order before the panel in this Application (EB-2015-0179) approves the DRO.

Although Union understands the basis of this comment, it is concerned about timing. More specifically, it is Union’s intent to implement the rate impacts resulting from both EB-2017-0091 and EB-2015-0179 with its October 1, 2017 QRAM. In order to do so, Union requires Board approval of the DRO in each proceeding prior to filing its QRAM application, which Union is targeting for September 12, 2017.

The Board provided minor adjustments required in order to approve the Settlement Proposal and DRO in its EB-2017-0091 Decision and Procedural Order No. 3 dated August 24, 2017. Union filed its updated EB-2017-0091 Settlement Proposal and DRO on August 28, 2017. The August 28, 2017 submission requests Board approval as soon as possible, but no later than September 7, 2017.

Union respectfully requests the Board’s approval of the EB-2015-0179 DRO as soon as possible, but no later than **September 7, 2017** in order for Union to implement these rates October 1, 2017.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at 519-436-5473.

Sincerely,

*(Original signed by)*

Karen Hockin  
Manager, Regulatory Applications

cc: C. Keizer, Torys  
EB-2015-0179 Intervenors