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**RE: EB-2017-0306/0307 Enbridge-Union Proposed Merger – Technical Conference
FRPO Documents**

Given the extremely tight time frames for the discovery through the Technical Conference, we are advancing a couple of references to assist in questions that we have for Union Gas relative to responses provided to FRPO.25.

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1 Demand side management costs are classified as demand-related.

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3 A summary of the classification of costs by function is provided at Tab 4, Schedules 1 through 9.

4 A classification factor table is provided at Tab 4, Schedule 10. Tab 1, Appendix B provides a
5 description of the classification factors.

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7 3/ **Allocation** (Exhibit G3, Tab 5)

8 The third step in the cost allocation process is to allocate the functionalized - classified asset and
9 operating costs to service classifications (i.e., rate classes). A summary of the methods used to
10 allocate functionalized - classified costs is provided below.

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12 **Purchase Production**

13 a) Sales Service Commodity Supply

14 Costs related to the supply of gas are allocated to Union's sales service customers on a
15 volumetric basis consistent with how these costs are incurred.

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17 b) Other Supply Commodity

18 Costs related to the delivery of commodity to customers are allocated to all delivery and
19 contract customers receiving transportation and storage services (T-service) based on
20 annual volume delivered. Costs of this nature include delivery-related UFG,
21 administrative and engineering costs. Gas supply and direct purchase administration costs
22 are directly assigned to rate classes.

1 c) Demand

2 Firm transportation demand costs are allocated to the North rate classes using a blended
3 allocator developed using a two-step approach. The firm transportation demand base load
4 costs are allocated to rate classes using average day demand. The remaining firm
5 transportation demand costs are allocated to rate classes using excess peak over annual
6 average demand (i.e., the difference between what a rate class takes on an average day and
7 what it requires on its peak day).

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9 Storage Dehydrator

10 a) Demand

11 Dehydration demand costs are allocated between in-franchise and the excess utility
12 storage space category in proportion to the design day demand of the dehydrator.

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14 b) Commodity

15 Dehydration commodity costs are allocated between in-franchise and the excess utility
16 storage space category in proportion to the volume forecast to be dehydrated. In-franchise
17 costs are allocated to rate classes on the basis of delivery volume.

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19 Storage Excluding Dehydrator

20 a) Deliverability

21 Deliverability costs are compression and compression-related costs incurred to provide
22 delivery from storage on design day to meet customers' firm requirements.

1 Transmission - Dawn Station

2 a) Demand

3 Dawn Station compression costs are allocated based on design day demand. Ex-franchise
4 contractual levels and in-franchise transmission lateral demand is used. Union South in-
5 franchise rate classes receive a credit for firm deliveries at Parkway. In-franchise costs
6 are allocated to rate classes on the basis of firm Dawn Trafalgar design day demand.

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8 b) Commodity

9 The allocation of costs between in-franchise and ex-franchise customers is based on fuel
10 usage. In-franchise costs are allocated to rate classes on the basis of delivery volumes east
11 of Dawn.

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13 Transmission - Dawn Trafalgar Easterly

14 a) Demand

15 Dawn Trafalgar transmission demand costs are allocated between in-franchise and ex-
16 franchise (M12) customers on the basis of “commodity-kilometres”. For ex-franchise
17 (M12) customers, contractual levels are used. For in-franchise customers, transmission
18 lateral demand is used. The demand (at each of Union’s transmission laterals, Kirkwall
19 and Parkway) is weighted by the distance from Dawn. The only exception to this is for
20 firm east end deliveries made by TCPL on behalf of Union’s in-franchise customers. The
21 distance this load travels is calculated from Parkway or Kirkwall. In-franchise costs are
22 allocated to rate classes in proportion to the firm design day demand on the Dawn-

1 Trafalgar laterals. Costs are allocated to customers in the North using excess peak over
2 annual average demand (i.e., the difference between what a rate class takes on an average
3 day and what it requires on its peak day).

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5 b) Commodity

6 The allocation of costs between in-franchise and ex-franchise customers is based on fuel
7 usage. In-franchise costs are allocated to rate classes on the basis of delivery volumes east
8 of Dawn.

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10 Transmission – Dawn Trafalgar Westerly

11 a) Commodity

12 The allocation of costs between in-franchise and ex-franchise customers is based on fuel
13 usage. In-franchise costs are allocated to rate classes on the basis of delivery volumes
14 west of Dawn.

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16 Other Transmission

17 a) Demand

18 In-franchise system design day demand is used to allocate other transmission system costs
19 to firm service customer classes. Costs related to local production metering stations are
20 directly assigned to the M13 and M16 rate classes.