

April 24, 2018

BY RESS & COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Union Gas Limited (“Union”)
Kingsville Transmission Reinforcement Project
EB-2018-0013**

Enclosed please find a letter from the Ministry of Energy dated March 5, 2018 to notify Union that they have reviewed the Indigenous Consultation Report and find it satisfactory. This letter is an update and can be inserted at Union’s pre-filed evidence at Exhibit A, Tab 14, Schedule 2.

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.

Yours truly,

[original signed by]

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cc: EB-2018-0013 Intervenors
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VIA EMAIL

March 5, 2018

Zora Crnojacki
Project Advisor
P.O. Box 2319
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Re: Consultation Sufficiency Opinion for Kingsville Expansion Project

Dear Zora Crnojacki:

The Ontario Ministry of the Energy has completed its review of the Indigenous Consultation Report for the proposed Kingsville Expansion project submitted by Union Gas on January 25, 2018. This letter is to notify you that the Ministry is of the opinion that the procedural aspects of consultation undertaken are satisfactory for the purpose of supporting the Ontario Energy Board's Leave to Construct approval.

I understand that Union Gas is planning the project to accommodate additional demand for natural gas in the Leamington and Kingsville area to support the greenhouse industry. Union Gas is proposing to construct up to NPS 20 inch natural gas pipeline, approximately 18km, in length between Union Gas' existing NPS 20 inch Panhandle Pipeline, with a tie-in between Belle River/County Road 27 and French Line/County Road 31, proceeding south to a new station near the corner of Graham side road and Mersea Rd 3.

Based on the Crown's preliminary assessment of First Nation and Métis community rights and project impacts, the following Indigenous communities were identified to be consulted on the basis that they have or may have constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights that may be adversely affected by the Project:

- Aamjiwnaang First Nation
- Bkejwanong First Nation
- Caldwell First Nation
- Chippewas of the Thames First Nation

- Oneida Nation of the Thames

Union Gas' record indicates that they have notified all of the communities identified for consultation on the project. Union Gas has provided supplementary information about the project to communities and responded to communities' questions and concerns in order to clarify the technical aspects of the project, approvals and permitting process where appropriate and potential impacts to rights or asserted rights. It is expected that Union Gas will continue its consultation activities and that it will notify the Ministry of Energy should any additional rights-based concerns/issues arise.

If you have any questions about this letter or require any additional information please contact Shereen Smithanik at 416-326-0513 or shereen.smithanik@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,



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