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VIA E-MAIL & COURIER

July 10, 2018

Ontario Energy Board

Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

27<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2300 Yonge Street

Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2018-0105 - UNION GAS 2017 Deferral Account Disposition

#### **REQUEST & SUPPORT**

We are am writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application received from Union Gas on July 5<sup>th</sup>. The Application by Union Gas is seeking order or orders clearing certain non-commodity related deferral accounts and sharing utility earnings pursuant to a Board-approved earnings sharing mechanism. The resulting rates impact the members of the FRPO.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

#### **ISSUES**

FRPO has participated in recent Union applications and desires to assist the Board in reviewing the application in light of the rate impacts that would be generated by this Application . FRPO represents the direct interest of its members who are impacted by changes to the regulated rates of Union Gas. Therefore, FRPO respectfully requests involvement in all aspects of the review of this Application.

We appreciate that the notice of application provided a more broad list of issues for which the Board would consider for cost awards. We respect that the Board will determine later in the proceeding whether there will an oral or written hearing as we believe the initial discovery will assist in that determination.

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### **REPRESENTATION**

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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