

EB-2008-0220

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

# UNION GAS LIMITED RATES FOR 2009

Union Gas Limited ("Union") filed an Application on September 26, 2008 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. c.15, Sched. B, as amended, for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective January 1, 2009. The Board's decision on this Application may have an effect on all of Union's customers.

Union's application is pursuant to the annual rate setting incentive regulation mechanism approved by the Board in the EB-2007-0606 proceeding.

Union has proposed a change to its delivery rates. If approved by the Board, the total bill impact for a typical Southern Operations residential customer consuming 2,600 m<sup>3</sup> per year would amount to \$5.00-\$6.00 per year. For a typical Northern or Eastern Operations customer consuming 2,600 m<sup>3</sup> per year, the total bill impact would amount to \$8.00-\$9.00 per year.

This proceeding will not deal with the commodity cost of natural gas. Any changes to the commodity cost of natural gas for customers that purchase gas directly from Union are addressed through the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism.

Copies of the Application and the supporting written evidence are available for inspection at the Board's office and Union's office at the addresses listed below.

# **Participation**

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

- 1. You may send the Board a letter of comment. Your letter must be received by the Board no later than **30 days** from the publication or service date of this notice.
- 2. You may request observer status in order to receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication date of this notice.
- 3. You may request intervenor status if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter of intervention received no later than 10 days from the publication date of this notice. Your letter of intervention must include a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. The Board may choose to hold a written or an oral hearing. The Board will not hold a written hearing if a party satisfies the Board that there is good reason for holding an oral hearing. Your letter of intervention should indicate your preference for a written or oral hearing, and the reasons for that preference. The Board may order costs in this proceeding. You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs from Union and the grounds for your eligibility for costs.
- 4. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the Board with a copy to Union at the following address:

**Union Gas Limited** 

P.O. Box 2001 50 Keil Drive North Chatham, Ontario N7M 5M1

Attn: Chris Ripley Manager Regulatory Applications

Tel: 519-436-5476 Fax: 519-436-4641

#### **Need More Information?**

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's Web site at <a href="www.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.oeb.gov.on.ca</a> or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

### **How To Contact Us**

In responding to this notice please reference Board file number EB-2008-0220. It is also important that you provide your name and postal address and, if available, an e-mail address. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

If you already have a user ID, please submit your intervention request through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca. Additionally, two paper copies are required. If you do not have a user ID, please visit the Board's website under e-filings and fill out a user ID password request. For instructions on how to submit and naming conventions please refer to the RESS Document Guidelines found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca, e-Filing Services. The Board also accepts interventions by e-mail, at the address below, and again, two additional paper copies are required.

For your convenience, the Board accepts letters of comment by either post or e-mail. Our e-mail address is <a href="mailto:Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca">Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca</a> Please include the file reference numbers in the subject line of your e-mail.

Ontario Energy Board

P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Attn: Kirsten Walli

**Board Secretary** 

Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (Toll free)

Fax: 416-440-7656

IF YOU DO NOT FILE A LETTER STATING YOUR WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDING.

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**DATED** at Toronto, October 27, 2008 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary