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BY E-MAIL

November 10, 2008

To: All parties in proceeding EB-2008-0106

#### Re: Technical Conference on November 27 and November 28, 2008

On August 8, 2008 the Board issued Procedural Order No. 2, establishing the case timetable for this proceeding. As scheduled in the timetable, a technical conference will be held on November 27 and 28, 2008 in the Board's West Hearing/ADR room on the 25<sup>th</sup> floor at 2300 Yonge Street.

The objective of the technical conference is to help parties gain, through presentations and an interactive exchange, a clearer understanding of the evidence that is due to be filed by Union Gas Limited, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., and Natural Resource Gas Limited (the "natural gas distributors") on November 14, 2008. A clearer understanding of the evidence will assist parties in preparing interrogatories, which are due on December 5, 2008. The technical conference is not meant to act as a substitute for interrogatories, and it is anticipated that questions from parties will be of a more general or "high level" nature.

The technical conference will be facilitated by Board staff as required. It will be divided into four segments. Each segment will address a specific issue listed in Procedural Order No. 2:

- Issue A: Review of QRAM for natural gas distributors
- Issue B: Review of load balancing obligations for natural gas distributors
- Issue C: Cost allocation
- Issue D: Billing methodology

Rather than being addressed as a separate matter, implementation issues will be addressed for each of issues A to D above as part of the discussion of each issue.

The format for each of the four segments will be as follows:

- A presentation period, where each natural gas distributor will provide an overview of its evidence on the issue;
- A question and answer period, where parties and Board staff will have an
  opportunity to ask questions. Participation in the question period will not require
  the filing of questions prior to the conference. Where a party believes that an
  answer has not been provided or has been inadequate, the matter is expected to
  be addressed through interrogatories.

The agenda for the technical conference is attached to this letter.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary



# EB-2008-0106 Technical Conference Agenda

**Location**: Ontario Energy Board

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor West Hearing/ADR room

**Time**: 9:30 am to 5:30 pm

# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2008

9:30 – 9:40	Opening Remarks	
Issue A: Review of QRAM and Associated Implementation Issues		
9:40 - 10:40	Presentation by Enbridge	
10:40 – 11:25	Presentation by Union	
11:25 – 12:10	Presentation by NRG	
12:10 – 1:15	Lunch Break	
1:15 – 2:45	Q&A	
Issue B: Review of Load Balancing Obligations and Associated Implementation Issues		
2:45 – 3:15	Presentation by Union	
3:15 – 4:00	Presentation by Enbridge	
4:00 – 5:30	Q&A	



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**Location**: Ontario Energy Board

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor West Hearing/ADR room

**Time**: 9:30 am to 3:10 pm

### FRIDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2008

Issue C: Cost Allocation and Associated Implementation Issues	
9:30 – 10:15	Presentation by Enbridge
10:15 – 10:45	Presentation by NRG
10:45 – 11:15	Presentation by Union
11:15 – 12:40	Q&A
12:40 – 1:40	Lunch Break
Issue D: Billing Terminology and Associated Implementation Issues	
1:40 – 1:55	Presentation by Enbridge
1:55 – 2:10	Presentation by NRG
2:10 – 2:25	Presentation by Union
2:25 – 3:05	Q&A
3:05 – 3:10	Closing remarks