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Ontario Energy Board

<u>Attn</u>: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2008-0304 – Enquiry re Cost Claim by City of Kitchener ("Kitchener")

On behalf of Kitchener which participated at the oral hearing in the above-noted proceeding, I am writing to seek your guidance with respect to the following passage from Vice-Chair Kaiser's Decision and Order, dated November 19, 2008, at page 13:

"Mr. Ryder on behalf of the City of Kitchener argued that Union's failure to disclose should be sanctioned by the Board, by way of a cost penalty. He suggested that the costs should be borne by the shareholder, not the ratepayer. I agree. The three intervenors participating in this hearing will be entitled to reasonably incurred costs with costs to be paid by the shareholders of Union."

Based on this passage from the Decision, Kitchener understands that it is entitled to submit for reasonably incurred costs, subject to the Board's guidelines in this regard. May we please receive your guidance as to any deadline by which Kitchener must submit its cost claim and who it should be directed to at the Board or at the Applicant, Union Gas Limited?

I apologize for these administrative questions, but Kitchener normally does not seek costs in its regulatory appearances before the Board, nor is it typically awarded costs by the Board, so we are a bit rusty in this area.

Thank you for your assistance in this enquiry.

Sincerely,

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Cc: J. Alick Ryder, Q.C. (RWBH)