



EB-2008-0394
EB-2008-0412

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AND
NOTICE OF WRITTEN HEARING**

**GAS FRANCHISE AND CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE FOR
CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST ELGIN**

Union Gas Limited (the "Applicant") has filed an application dated December 10, 2008 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, s.9 for an order of the Board approving the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin is, by by-law to grant to the Applicant the right to construct and operate works for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas and the right to extend or add to the works in the Municipality of West Elgin. The Applicant has also applied for an order of the Board declaring and directing that the assent of the electors of the Municipality to the by-law is not necessary. The Board has assigned file numbers EB-2008-0394 to the Franchise application and EB-2008-0412 to the Certificate application.

The Applicant is presently serving the Corporation under the authority of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (F.B.C. 259) and has a franchise agreement, (E.B.A. 677), with the former Township of Aldborough which expires May 11, 2010 and the former Village of West Lorne (E.B.A. 674) which expires June 6, 2009. On January 1, 1998, the former Township of Aldborough and the former Village of West Lorne were amalgamated to form the Municipality of West Elgin by Minister's Order.

The application will be decided by the Manager, Facilities Applications, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,

S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B). The Manager, Facilities Applications does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Board's office, the Applicant's head office, the Applicant's regional office and the office of the Corporation of Municipality of West Elgin, at the addresses indicated below.

The Board intends to proceed with the application by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board within 7 days of the publication date of this Notice.

If you wish to participate in the written hearing, you must forward three copies of your written submissions to the Assistant Secretary of the Board and one copy to the applicant at the addresses below. All submissions must be received no later than 14 days after the publication date of this Notice. If the Applicant wishes to respond to the written submissions, such response must be received by the Board no later than 21 days after the publication date of this Notice. All submissions must quote file no. EB-2008-0394 (Franchise) or EB-2008-0412 (Certificate), clearly state the sender's name and address, and be received by the Board Secretary by 4:45 p.m. on the required dates.

IF YOU DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN SUBMISSION OBJECTING TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING BY FILING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

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DATED at Toronto January 12, 2008

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Original Signed By

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