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EB-2003-0218

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FRANCHISE APPROVAL FOR THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

Union Gas Limited ("Union") has filed an application, dated July 18, 2003 (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under the Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55 as amended for an order of the Board approving the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie (the "Corporation") is, by by-law (the "Bylaw"), to grant to Union the right to construct and operate works for the distribution of gas, and the right to extend and add to the works in the City of Sault Ste. Marie (the "Municipality"). The Board has assigned File No. RP-2003-0126/EB-2003-0218 to this Application.

Union 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.

Union is presently serving the Municipality and has a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (E.B.C. 63) for the Municipality. Union's franchise agreement with the Corporation expires on January 30, 2004.

Copies of the Application are available for inspection at: the Board's office, Union's head office, Union's district office and the Municipality's office, at the addresses indicated below.

If you wish to participate in this proceeding you **must** make a written submission to the Board Secretary within 14 calendar days of the publication of this Notice. Information on how to participate may be obtained by calling the Board's Customer Service Centre toll-free at 1-877-632-2727, by email at Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca or from the frequently asked questions (FAQ) section of the Board's Web site at www.oeb.gov.on.ca. A copy of your submission must also be sent to Union and the Municipality.

An English language version of this Notice of Application is available.

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DATED at Toronto, October 20, 2003.

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