



EB-2009-0052

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998,
S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union Gas
Limited for an order or orders amending or varying the rate
or rates charged to customers as of July 1, 2009.

BEFORE: Gordon Kaiser
Presiding Member

Paul Sommerville
Member

Paul Vlahos
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Union Gas Limited (“Union”) filed an application on March 31, 2009 with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) seeking approval for final disposition and recovery of certain 2008 year-end deferral account balances including approval and disposition of the market transformation incentive. Union proposed that the resulting impacts from the disposition be implemented on July 1, 2009 to align with other rate changes expected to result from the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“QRAM”) process. The Board assigned docket number EB-2009-0052 to the application.

The Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (“CME”), Energy Probe Research Foundation (“Energy Probe”), the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (“FRPO”), the London Property Management Association (“LPMA”), the School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”) were granted intervenor status and were found to be eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on August 6, 2009, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Union.

The Board received cost claims from CME, Energy Probe, FRPO, LPMA, SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Union.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and has found that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that each party’s claims are reasonable and all parties will be reimbursed by Union.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union shall immediately pay:

• Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters	\$3,556.35;
• Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$2,296.26;
• Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario	\$5,717.25;
• London Property Management Association	\$1,746.16;
• School Energy Coalition	\$ 807.10; and
• Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$1,183.88.

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union shall pay the Board’s costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board’s invoice.

DATED at Toronto, October 7, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

John Pickernell
Assistant Board Secretary