



EB-2007-0598

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*,
1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sched. 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, 2007;

BEFORE: Paul Sommerville
Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle
Member

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
UNION GAS LIMITED
2006 DEFERRAL ACCOUNTS AND EARNINGS SHARING DISPOSITION**

On November 12, 2007 the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) issued a Decision and Rate Order for rates effective January 1, 2008 with respect to an application seeking approval for final disposition and recovery of certain 2006 year-end deferral account balances and the 2006 year-end earnings sharing amount. That Decision and Rate Order also set out the process for the filing of cost claims. The Board ordered that claims should be submitted by November 21, 2007, and that objections to claims should be filed by November 28, 2007.

The Consumers Council of Canada (“CCC”), Industrial Gas Users Association (“IGUA”), Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”), and School Energy Coalition (“SEC”), and the London Property Management Association (“LPMA”) intervened in the proceeding. The parties filed their cost claims with the Board and Union did not object to these cost claims. A breakdown of the claims is provided in Table 1.

Table 1 – Summary of Cost Claims

Intervenor	Cost Claim
CCC	\$5,008.50
IGUA	\$18,721.70
VECC	\$2,892.24
LPMA	\$5,819.55
SEC	\$3,457.75
Total	\$35,899.74

The Board has reviewed the cost claims outlined in Table 1, and finds that the intervenors listed are entitled to 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board also finds the cost claims to be reasonable and approves them.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union Gas Limited shall immediately pay the intervenors the amounts as outlined in Table 1 above. The sum of these claims is \$35,899.74.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Union Gas Limited shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

ISSUED at Toronto January 15, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary