



The Regional Municipality of Halton

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Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Union Gas Limited
Leave to Construct – Halton Hills Generating Station
Ontario Energy Board No. EB-2008-0024**

Pursuant to Rule 23, the Regional Municipality of Halton hereby seeks intervenor status with respect to the above-noted application.

The Region's interest in the hearing relates to the route selection in relation to existing Regional services. In particular, the Union Gas pipeline may cross intersections already reconstructed by the Region.


The Environmental Report submitted by Union Gas did not include, in its evaluation matrix, any criteria which incorporated interference with other utilities. Page 8.5 of the Environmental Report states "Fifth Line (south of Main Street to the existing Union Gas pipeline) has been identified as a proposed route for water and wastewater servicing....potential impacts of installing water and wastewater service are typically greater than those associated with installing a natural gas pipeline such as the pipeline proposed for this Project." We feel that Union Gas' assessment has failed to consider what has been identified as the Region's "primary concern" of interfering with other planned facilities.

Materials presented at the South Halton Water and Wastewater Master Plan Public Information Centre on September 19, 2007, and subsequently posted on the Region's website indicate there are two watermains (750 mm Zone 5 and 750 mm Zone 4) as well as a trunk sanitary sewer (525 mm gravity main) on Fifth Line. The Environmental Report does not refer to the width of the road allowance or the availability of a corridor for locating a large diameter gas main given the fact that Halton Region has proposed three large diameter service mains within it. In addition, the report does not address our ability to install those mains which are deeper and the fact that Regional construction could be hampered by installing Regional infrastructure after the gas main is in place.

Our concerns outlined above have been discussed with the Town of Milton staff, who share the Region's position. The proposed servicing along Fifth Line is to address the needs of the future development of Milton. These are serious concerns and the Region is therefore seeking intervenor status with respect to Union Gas' application.

All documents with respect to this hearing should be directed to the attention of the writer and Shelly Partridge, Senior Planner, at the Region. The Region will not be seeking costs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Dailleboust', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

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