

Order in Council Décret

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and concurrence of the Executive Council, orders that:

Sur la recommandation du soussigné, le lieutenant-gouverneur, sur l'avis et avec le con-sentement du Conseil des ministres, décrète ce qui suit:

WHEREAS Enbridge Distribution Inc. and related parties gave undertakings to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that were approved by Order in Council on December 9, 1998 and that took effect on March 31, 1999; and Union Gas Limited and related parties gave undertakings to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that were approved by Order in Council on December 9, 1998, and that took effect on March 31, 1999;

AND WHEREAS opportunities exist for Enbridge Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited to carry on business activities that could assist the Government of Ontario in achieving its goals in energy conservation;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Energy may issue, and the Ontario Energy Board shall implement, directives that have been approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council that require the Board to take steps specified in the directives to promote energy conservation, energy efficiency, load management or the use of cleaner energy sources, including alternative and renewable energy sources;

NOW THEREFORE the attached Directive is approved.

Recommended:

Minister of Energy

Concurred:

Chair of Cabinet

Approved and Ordered:

AUG 10 2006

Date

Administrator of the Government

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MINISTER'S DIRECTIVE

Re: Gas Utility Undertakings

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and related parties gave undertakings to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that were approved by Order in Council on December 9, 1998 and that took effect on March 31, 1999 ("the Enbridge Undertakings"); and Union Gas Limited and related parties gave undertakings to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that were approved by Order in Council on December 9, 1998 and that took effect on March 31, 1999 ("the Union Undertakings").

Pursuant to section 27.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, I hereby direct the Ontario Energy Board to dispense,

- under section 6.1 of the Enbridge Undertakings, with future compliance by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. with section 2.1 ("Restriction on Business Activities") of the Enbridge Undertakings, and
- under section 6.1 of the Union Undertakings, with future compliance by Union Gas Limited with section 2.1 ("Restriction on Business Activities") of the Union Undertakings,

in respect of the provision of services by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited that would assist the Government of Ontario in achieving its goals in energy conservation, including services related to:

- (a) the promotion of electricity conservation, natural gas conservation and the efficient use of electricity;
- (b) electricity load management; and
- (c) the promotion of cleaner energy sources, including alternative energy sources and renewable energy sources.

In addition, pursuant to section 27.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, I hereby direct the Board to dispense, under section 6.1 of the Enbridge Undertakings, with future compliance with section 2.1 of the Enbridge Undertakings in respect of research, review, preliminary investigation, project development and the provision of services related to the following business activities:

- (a) the local distribution of steam, hot and cold water in a Markham District Energy initiative; and
- (b) the generation of electricity by means of large stationary fuel cells integrated with energy recovery from natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines.

Further, pursuant to section 27.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, I hereby direct the Board to dispense, under section 6.1 of the Union Undertakings, with future compliance with section 2.1 of the Union Undertakings in respect of research, review, preliminary investigation, project development and the provision of services related to the following business activities:

(a) the generation of electricity by means of large stationary fuel cells integrated with energy recovery from natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines.

To the extent that any activities undertaken by Enbridge Gas Distribution Limited or Union Gas Limited in reliance on this Directive are forecast to impact upon their regulated rates, such activities are subject to the review of the Ontario Energy Board under the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998.

In this directive, "alternative energy source" and "renewable energy source" have the same meanings as in the *Electricity Act, 1998*.

Dwight Duncan

Minister