MANITOBA ) Order No. 8/00 )
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) January 21, 2000

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman

D. L. Barrett-Hrominchuk, Member

J. A. MacDonald, Member

APPLICATIONS BY COALITION OF EASTERN NATURAL GAS AGGREGATORS AND SELLERS, COMMUNCIATION, ENERGY & PAPERWORKERS' UNION LOCAL 681, CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION OF CANADA (MANITOBA) INC./MANITOBA SOCIETY OF SENIORS, GATEWAY INDUSTRIES LTD. AND SASKENERGY INCORPORATED TO INTERVENE IN AN APPLICATION BY CENTRA GAS MANITOBA INC. REGARDING RATE MANAGEMENT

The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba (the Board) received applications for intervenor status from the Coalition of Eastern Natural Gas Aggregators and Sellers (CENGAS), Communication, Energy & Paperworkers' Union Local 681 (CEPU), Consumers' Association of Canada (Manitoba) Inc./Manitoba Society of Seniors (CAC/MSOS), Gateway Industries Ltd. (GATEWAY) and SaskEnergy Incorporated (SASKENERGY) the "Applicants", to intervene at the public hearing to consider the Application by Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. regarding Rate Management.

This Order is issued pursuant to Rule 26 of the Board's Draft Rules of Practice and Procedure.

### Coalition of Eastern Natural Gas Aggregators and Sellers

The Coalition of Eastern Natural Gas Aggregators and Sellers by way of a letter dated January 17, 2000 and completed Intervenor Request Form requested intervenor status. The Applicant noted an interest in all issues.

The Applicant also noted that it would be appearing throughout the hearing, participating in the production and testing of evidence and presenting final argument. The Applicant has not yet decided on whether it intends to call any witnesses. The Applicant also indicated that it did not intend to apply for costs.

### Communication, Energy & Paperworkers' Union Local 681

The Communication, Energy & Paperworkers' Union Local 681 by way of a completed Intervenor Request Form received January 18, 2000 requested intervenor status. The Applicant noted that it was attending to gather information about the utility operation, monitor the hearing and participate in the process.

The Applicant noted that it would not be appearing throughout the hearing, participating in the production or testing of evidence calling witnesses or applying for costs. Final argument may be presented.

# Consumers' Association of Canada (Manitoba) Inc./Manitoba Society of Seniors

Consumers' Association of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. and Manitoba Society of Seniors by way of a letter dated January 11, 2000 and completed Intervenor Request Form requested intervenor status. The Applicant noted that it would be making a full intervention on all issues of the Application.

The Applicant also noted that it would be appearing throughout the hearing, participating in the production and testing of evidence and presenting final argument. The Applicant did not indicate whether it would be calling witnesses but did indicate that it would be making an application for costs.

### Gateway Industries Ltd.

Gateway Industries Ltd. by way of a fax dated January 13, 2000 and completed Intervenor Request Form requested intervenor status. The Applicant noted that it wished to review all data and present argument.

The Applicant also noted that it would not be appearing throughout the hearing, participating in the production and testing of evidence or calling any witnesses. The Applicant indicated that it would not be applying for costs but would be presenting final argument.

### SaskEnergy Incorporated

SaskEnergy Incorporated by way of a fax dated January 12, 2000 and completed Intervenor Request Form requested intervenor status. The Applicant noted that it wished to monitor the various gas supply related issues and to learn more about formal regulatory models and process in Manitoba.

The Applicant also noted that it might possibly appear at the hearing but would not be participating in the production and testing of evidence, presenting final argument, and would not be calling any witnesses or applying for costs.

## Board Findings

The Board having considering all of the applications will grant intervenor status to the Applicants. The Board would ask that all parties familiarize themselves with the rules of the Board and the timetable.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Intervenor status BE AND IS HEREBY GRANTED to Coalition of Eastern Natural Gas Aggregators and Sellers.
- Intervenor status BE AND IS HEREBY GRANTED to Communication, Energy and Paperworkers Union, Local 681.

- 3. Intervenor status BE AND IS HEREBY GRANTED to Consumers' Association of Canada (Manitoba) Inc./Manitoba Society of Seniors.
- 4. Intervenor status BE AND IS HEREBY GRANTED to Gateway Industries Ltd.
- 5. Intervenor status BE AND IS HEREBY GRANTED to SaskEnergy Incorporated.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST"
Chairman

"H. M. SINGH"
Acting Secretary

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Acting Secretary