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THE	PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT)			
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THE	GAS PIPE LINE ACT)	December	31,	2007

BEFORE: Graham F. J. Lane, CA, Chairman Leonard Evans, LLD, Member Monica Girouard, CGA, Member

ADOPTION OF CSA Z662-07 TITLED -OIL AND GAS PIPELINE SYSTEMS

Introduction

Standards of construction for gas pipe lines in the Province of Manitoba, including the design, installation, testing, operation and maintenance of same, are established pursuant to the requirements of *The Gas Pipe Line Act* C.C.S.M. cG50 (Act).

The Board previously adopted The Canadian Standards Association's (CSA) Z662 Standard on Oil and Gas Pipeline Systems as the minimum standard, this in accordance with Section 33(1) of The Gas Pipe Line Act, which states:

"Manner of construction

33(1) Notwithstanding any provision of any other Act, every person authorized to construct or operate a gas pipe line shall locate, construct, maintain, and operate it so as not to endanger the public health or safety; and the construction thereof shall be in accordance with such standards and specifications as may from time to time be required by the board or prescribed in the regulations."

The current minimum standard is CSA Z662-03, as adopted for Manitoba by Order 14/04 dated February 3, 2004.

CSA is the forum by which government, industry and the public reach national consensus on matters of safety, such as the development of the Z662 standard.

Amendment to the Standard

CSA recently adopted standard CSA Z662-07, denoted as *Oil and Gas Pipeline Systems*, to supersede CSA Z662-03

Subsequent to input received by the Board from Manitoba's natural gas utilities, which are directly affected by changes to the standard, the Board will approve CSA Z662-07 to supersede CSA Z662-03, for use in Manitoba pursuant to Section 33(1) of The Gas Pipe Line Act.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

 Effective January 1, 2008, the minimum standard for the design, installation, testing, operation and/or maintenance of gas pipe lines in Manitoba shall be CSA Standard Z662-07, Oil and Gas Pipeline Systems.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

<u>"GRAHAM F. J. LANE, CA"</u> Chairman

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