



December 10, 2018

VIA EMAIL

Mr. Brent Czarnecki Law Department Manitoba Hydro 22nd Floor – 360 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3C 0G8

– and –

Past Interveners of Record

Dear Parties:

Re: Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. 2019/20 General Rate Application – Preliminary Issues List

By letter of September 18, 2018 to Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. ("Centra") and Past Interveners of Record, the Public Utilities Board ("Board") advised that a declaration of completion process would be used by the Board on receipt of Centra's next General Rate Application ("GRA") filing. As detailed in the Board's September 18, 2018 correspondence, the Board established the following process for the Centra GRA filing:

- 1. On receipt of Centra's GRA filing, Board staff and Advisors will review the filing for completeness of the information included in the filing;
- 2. If all routine, standard and/or base filing information is included in the filing in the form and presentation required by the Board, the Board will issue a declaration of completion. If the filing is determined to be incomplete, it will be returned to Centra with direction as to the information required for completeness; and
- Once the Board issues the declaration of completion, it will determine the postfiling process to be used for scoping the hearing and adjudication of the GRA Issues List.

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On November 30, 2018, Centra filed its GRA for 2019/20. Further to the filing process established by the Board, the Board staff and Advisors have conducted a review of the GRA filing for completeness and have determined that the information included in the filing is incomplete. Information that constitutes base and/or standard filing requirements has not been provided.

Pursuant to the authority of the Board under subsections 24(4), 27(2), and 74(2) of *The Public Utilities Board Act*, the following items are required to be completed in order for the Board to issue a declaration of completion:

- Provide the most current Corporate Risk Analysis Report and Specific Risk Management Plans for all major risks that affect Centra. If there is no updated Report or Plan since the last Centra GRA, please provide an explanation as to why no updated Report or Plan is available.
- Confirm if the Annual Business Plan replaces the Corporate Strategic Plan, and provide an explanation as to why this is the case. Provide the Corporate Strategic Plan Dashboard for Centra, in the form of PUB/Centra I-5 from the last GRA.
- 3. In the form of PUB/Centra I-6 from the last GRA, provide the details that support the interest rate forecast including copies of third party forecasts relied upon, tables depicting the sources used to derive forecasts for each quarter, and details of the calculations of the rates shown in each of the tables.
- 4. Confirm if there is an updated Economic Outlook. If there is, please file it. If not, please provide an explanation as to why an updated Economic Outlook is not available, confirm the date of the Economic Outlook that supports the GRA and provide any updates done on the information since the last Economic Outlook was prepared.
- 5. Confirm if Centra can provide summaries of all capital projects which have a value in excess of \$250,000, demonstrating the justification for each project. If these summaries cannot be provided, please provide an explanation as to why they cannot be provided.
- 6. Confirm if Centra can provide, for all capital projects approved or amended since the last GRA, capital project justifications ("CPJ") or capital investment justifications ("CIJ") for capital projects which have a value in excess of \$250,000. If the CPJs or CIJs cannot be provided, please provide an explanation as to why they cannot be provided.
- 7. Please file the most current Residential Energy Use Survey, which appears to be the 2017 survey referenced in Tab 7 at page 11. If the results of this survey are not complete, please file the 2014 Residential Energy Use Survey along with the preliminary results from the 2017 REUS.

- 8. File any Affordable Energy Program annual reports not previously filed in a PUB proceeding.
- 9. Provide the 2015 and 2016 Natural Gas Volume forecasts.
- 10. Provide any internal or external reports which assess Centra's cost of service study methodology since 2012 (e.g. the June 2012 Christensen Associates report).
- 11. Provide any true-ups of any main extensions required by the PUB since the last GRA. Please note that the last true-ups filed with the PUB in a proceeding were at the 2013 GRA in PUB/Centra I-133.

On receipt of the above information, Board staff and Advisors will review to determine if the completeness requirements are met. If the filing is deemed complete, the Board will issue a declaration of completion.

Please address any questions you may have at this time to the attention of the writer.

Yours truly,

"Original Signed By:"

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cc: Liz Carriere, Manitoba Hydro Shannon Gregorashuk, Manitoba Hydro Bob Peters/Dayna Steinfeld, Board Counsel Brady Ryall/Roger Cathcart, Board Advisors