

November 30, 2018

**CENTRA GAS MANITOBA INC.  
2019/20 GENERAL RATE APPLICATION**

**LETTER OF APPLICATION**

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**IN THE MATTER OF:** *The Public Utilities Board Act (Manitoba); and*

An Application by Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. for  
an Order of the Public Utilities Board Approving  
Changes to Natural Gas Rates

**TO:** The Executive Director of the  
Public Utilities Board of Manitoba  
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. ("Centra") hereby applies to the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba ("PUB" or "Board") for an Order pursuant to *The Public Utilities Board Act* for the following:

- a) Approval of Supplemental Gas, Transportation (to Centra), Distribution (to Customers) Sales and Transportation rates, the Primary Gas Overhead rate and the Fixed Rate Primary Gas Service Program Cost Rate, effective August 1, 2019;
- b) Approval to dispose of the balances in prior period Purchased Gas Variance Account for the period November 1, 2014 to October 31, 2018 through rate riders over the 12-month period commencing August 1, 2019;
- c) Approval of adjustments to rates to reflect changes in forecast non-Primary Gas costs for the 2018/19 Gas Year;
- d) Approval to discontinue funding the Furnace Replacement Program effective August 1, 2019, and to remove the associated costs from rates of the Small General Service class;

- 1 e) Approval of updated depreciation rates and new depreciation accounts for rate setting  
2 purposes determined during and subsequent to the 2014 Depreciation study, as  
3 discussed in Appendix 3.4 of the Application;  
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- 5 f) Endorsement of regulatory deferral accounts recognized by Centra subsequent to its  
6 2013/14 GRA, and the proposed amortization periods for these accounts, as discussed in  
7 Appendix 3.4 of the Application;  
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- 9 g) Endorsement to discontinue the Demand Side Management deferral accounts and to  
10 write off the \$8.2 million accrued balance, as discussed in Appendix 3.4 of the  
11 Application;  
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- 13 h) Approval of certain proposed storage and transportation costs to be effective April 1,  
14 2020as discussed in Tab 9 of the Application;  
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- 16 i) Approval of changes to the Terms & Conditions of Service as discussed in Tab 12 of the  
17 Application;  
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- 19 j) Final Approval of actual gas costs for November 1, 2014 to October 31, 2015 of \$236.0  
20 million;  
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- 22 k) Final approval of actual gas costs for November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2016 of \$165.3  
23 million;  
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- 25 l) Final approval of actual gas costs from November 1, 2016 to October 31, 2017 of \$189.8  
26 million;  
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- 28 m) Final approval of actual gas costs from November 1, 2017 to October 31, 2018. Centra  
29 will provide final actual 2017/18 gas cost results as part of the pre-hearing update to be  
30 filed prior to the commencement of the oral hearing related to this Application;  
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- 32 n) Final approval of interim orders as outlined in Appendix 13.1 of the Application and final  
33 approval of any further interim ex-parte Orders issued by the PUB for Centra prior to the  
34 conclusion of the hearing of this Application; and  
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1 o) Such further and other approvals or relief requested that the PUB deems appropriate.

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3 Communication related to this Application should be addressed to Centra in the following  
4 fashion:

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16 DATED at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 30 day of November, 2018.

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"ORIGINAL SIGNED  
BY BRENT A. CZARNECKI"

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Per: 

Brent Czarnecki