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Request to Intervene

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a Request to Intervene form must be received by the Commission by the deadline included in the proceeding's regulatory timetable. Please provide a completed form to the Commission Secretary at commission.secretary@bcuc.com. If email is unavailable, forms may be mailed to the Commission Secretary at the address above.

Proceeding Name: Stargas Utilities Ltd. Application to Amend Rate Schedule and Accounting for Installation Costs	Date: July 19, 2017

Participant contact information	
Organization or individual name: Silver Star Property Owners Association (SSPOA)	
City: Silver Star, Vernon	Province B.C.
Email: utilities@sspoa.ca	Phone: see below
If your organization has not submitted an informational document in the last 12 months, please file it with this form.	
For organizations only – representative contact information	
Name: Michael Waberski, Director (Chair, Utility Services Committee)	
Organization (if different from above):	
City:	Province:
Email: mwaberski@telus.net	Phone: 250 307-6611
Also representing (if applicable)	
Additional information	
Please state your reasons for intervening in this proceeding. The application directly impacts the ratepayers at Silver Star. The SSPOA has been integral in raising the issue of installation costs during the proceedings associated with Order G-59-17.	

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Please state how you are directly or sufficiently affected by the Commission's decision in this matter; or describe your experience, information, or expertise relevant to this matter that would contribute to the Commission's decision making.

The Silver Star Property Owners Association (SSPOA) has as its mandate "to represent the best interests of the property owners of Silver Star Mountain". Our current membership is well over 500 members. We have demonstrated our ability to represent these interests to the Commission in the past. The SSPOA is the only collective voice for the ratepayers of Stargas Utilities Ltd.

Please list the key issues you intend to address in the proceeding.

The SSPOA supports reducing installation costs, but is concerned Stargas is complicating what should be a simple process. Instead of filing the simple cost/benefit analysis that the Commission directed, Stargas seeks to recover surprisingly high marketing and application costs in a regulatory account. The SSPOA would like to understand the basis for the forecast marketing spending, why material counsel costs are required (the SSPOA does not anticipate any), and the reason Stargas considers a new regulatory account necessary. The SSPOA is concerned that Stargas is inventing new ways to increase its revenue requirement, beyond the basic outreach necessary to publicize a new installation policy.

For administrative purposes only

Do you intend to participate fully, including attendance at hearings and submission of evidence or information requests, if applicable?	X Yes	☐ No
Do you intend to request PACA funding? This does not impact your ability to participate.	X Possibly	☐ No
Have you or your organization web-registered as an intervener or interested party in the past 12 months?	X Yes	No
If yes, please provide your username:		

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