

## Tamara Collins

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January 29, 2019

**VIA EMAIL to [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca)**

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**RE: Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("EGD") and Union Gas Limited ("UGL")  
2019 Rates Application  
Board File #: EB-201800305**

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I am writing on behalf of myself, my family and all other residential consumers in Ontario who pay for the supply and delivery of natural gas.

The proposed net annual bill increases of \$5 to \$10 per year for residential EGD or UGL customers in varying jurisdictions will pose additional financial burden on already burdened consumers. As you know, natural gas is the main source of energy for home heating in Ontario, thereby an essential element for a typical Ontario household. Consumers in Ontario essentially have no choice in their natural gas provider and look to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to protect their interests.

With the amalgamation of EGD and UGL, the two main gas providers in Ontario, consumers are now subject to the monopoly of the amalgamated entity. Both EGD's and UGL's variable charges have continued to increase steadily and with no control over the ever increasing commodity prices, Ontario consumers will have no relief.

Higher gas prices impact the economy. Consider all the special interest groups who have requested intervenor status in this matter and one can easily predict that higher gas prices ultimately affects the cost of manufactured goods, food, clothing, housing: all essential to the Ontario consumer.

For these and other reasons, I respectfully request that the OEB consider denying the application to raise natural gas rates effective Jan 1, 2019.

Sincerely,

Angela Lin

