

EB-2008-0271

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for an order or orders approving the final balances and clearance of certain Demand Side Management variance accounts into rates, as at July 1, 2009.

BEFORE: Paul Vlahos

Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("EGD") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, (the "Board") dated August 18, 2008, under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15, (Schedule B), requesting approval and clearance of the final balances in three variance accounts, all associated with Demand Side Management ("DSM"). In its application, EGD sought disposition of the balances and inclusion into rates as at July 1, 2009. The Board assigned File No. EB-2008-0271 to this application.

The Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA"), Pollution Probe ("PP"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"), the Green Energy Coalition ("GEC") and the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME") received intervenor status and were deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on January 9, 2009, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Enbridge.

The Board received cost claims from CME, GEC and IGUA. On January 30, 2009, the Board received comments from Enbridge stating that it found the claims to be consistent with the allowance of prescribed rates within the cost assessment guidelines and has no objection to these claims.

The Board finds that CME, GEC and IGUA are eligible to recover 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all parties' cost claims are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Enbridge.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay:
 - CME \$3,204.60;
 - GEC \$ 831.60; and
 - IGUA \$3,061.76.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, February 19, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary