

EB-2010-0042

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for an order or orders approving the clearance or disposition of amounts recorded in certain deferral or variance accounts.

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION & PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge" or the "Company") filed an application, dated April 16, 2010 (the "Application"), with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, S.O. 1998*, c.15, Schedule B (the "Act") for an order approving the disposition of balances in certain deferral or variance accounts.

Enbridge filed evidence which shows that the total amount forecasted for disposition in the deferral and variance accounts is a customer credit of \$38.3 million. The disposition would take place as a one time billing adjustment on customer's bills in the month of October, 2010. The evidence also includes bill impacts which show that the impact on a typical residential customer taking gas supply service from the Company is a one time credit of \$23. For customers taking their gas supply from a retailer, the impact is a debit ranging from about \$0 to \$4.

The Board has determined that the list of deferral and variance accounts requested for disposition and included in the Application as Appendix A (found at Exhibit A, Tab 2, Schedule 1, Appendix A) shall serve as the Issues List for the proceeding. The Issues List is attached as Appendix "A".

For the purposes of this proceeding, the Board has determined that it will adopt the List of Intervenors approved in the current Enbridge 2010 IRM rates proceeding (Board File No. EB-2009-0172). The List of Intervenors is attached as Appendix "B". Parties deemed eligible for an award of costs in the EB-2009-0172 proceeding shall also be eligible to claim an award of costs in this proceeding. Any parties **not** wishing to be included on the list for this proceeding should contact the Board in writing and request to be removed from the list.

The Board notes that Enbridge has provided a copy of the Application and the evidence to all parties listed in the EB-2009-0172 proceeding on April 16, 2010.

The Board will now make provision for the following procedural matters. Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

#### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Parties seeking information and material on Enbridge's evidence shall request it by written interrogatories filed with the Board and delivered to all the parties no later than May 19, 2010.
- 2. Enbridge shall file complete responses to all the interrogatories with the Board and deliver the responses to the other parties no later than June 9, 2010.
- 3. A Settlement Conference will be convened at 9:00 a.m. on June 21, 2010 with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues. The Settlement Conference will be held in the Board's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, and may continue until June 22, 2010 if needed.
- 4. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than 4:45 p.m. on June 29, 2010.
- 5. All parties shall file their submissions with the Board Secretary and must quote File Number EB-2010-0042. These submissions should be made through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address and must be sent to the Board by 4:45 pm on the date

indicated with a copy to all parties. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the addresses below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies. With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Colin Schuch at colin.schuch@oeb.gov.on.ca and Board Counsel, Maureen Helt at maureen.helt@oeb.gov.on.ca.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 6, 2010

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

### **APPENDIX "A"**

### **ISSUES LIST**

### **Enbridge 2009 Deferral & Variance Account Clearances**

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### ISSUES LIST Enbridge 2009 Deferral & Variance Account Clearances EB-2010-0042

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ENBRIDGE GAS DISTRIBUTION INC. DEFERRAL & VARIANCE ACCOUNT ACTUAL & FORECAST BALANCES

			Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4
			Actual at February 28, 2010		Forecast for clearance at October 1, 2010	
Line No.	Account Description	Account Acronym	Principal	Interest	Principal	Intornat
140.	Account Description	Acronym	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)
	Non Commodity Related Accounts		(\$0000)	(ψοσσ3)	(\$0003)	(ψουσ 3)
1.	Demand Side Management V/A	2008 DSMVA	(73.3)	(56.1)	(73.3)	(56.3)
2.	Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism	2008 LRAM	37.3	0.1	37.3	0.2
3.	Shared Savings Mechanism V/A	2008 SSMVA	5,803.2	5.3	5,803.2	24.2
4.	Class Action Suit D/A	2009/10 CASDA	18,838.2	1,534.4	4,709.5	414.1 <sup>1</sup>
5.	Deferred Rebate Account	2009 DRA	2.7	(0.1)	-	-
6.	Gas Distribution Access Rule Costs D/A	2009 GDARCDA	188.7	0.8	2,838.8	- 2
7.	Ontario Hearing Costs V/A	2009 OHCVA	531.7	0.6	474.5	2.0
8.	Open Bill Service D/A	2009/10 OBSDA	526.2	15.9	87.7	3.0 3
9.	Open Bill Access V/A	2009/10 OBAVA	476.7	5.9	79.5	1.2 3
10.	Municipal Permit Fees D/A	2009 MPFDA	916.1	-	202.2	- 2
11.	Average Use True-Up V/A	2009 AUTUVA	5,626.9	5.2	5,626.9	23.4 4
12.	Tax Rate and Rule Change V/A	2009 TRRCVA	(350.0)	(0.3)	(350.0)	(1.7) 5
13.	Earnings Sharing Mechanism D/A	2009 ESMDA	(18,750.0)	(17.2)	(19,300.0)	$(77.4)^{6}$
14.	IFRS Transition Costs D/A	2009 IFRSTCDA	2,111.0	1.9	2,111.0	8.9
15.	Ex-Franchise Third Party Billing Services D/A	2009 EFTPBSDA	(27.9)	-	(27.9)	(0.1)
16.	Total non commodity related accounts		15,857.5	1,496.4	2,219.4	341.5
	Commodity Related Accounts					
17.	Purchased Gas V/A	2009 PGVA	(116,672.9)	(2,287.8)	(39,270.0)	(2,497.4)
18.	Transactional Services D/A	2009 TSDA	(7,062.1)	(9.5)	(7,062.1)	(31.9)
19.	Unaccounted for Gas V/A	2009 UAFVA	9,596.7	8.8	9,596.7	39.6
20.	Storage and Transportation D/A	2009 S&TDA	(1,594.8)	(4.6)	(1,594.8)	(9.5)
21.	Total commodity related accounts		(115,733.1)	(2,293.1)	(38,330.2)	(2,499.2)
22.	Total Deferral and Variance Accounts		(99,875.6)	(796.7)	(36,110.8)	(2,157.7)

#### Notes:

- 1. As approved in EB-2007-0731, the CASDA is to be cleared over 5 years (2008 2012). The 2008 installment was cleared in July and August 2008, and the 2009 installment will occur in April and May 2010. The Company now proposes to clear the 2010, or third installment, beginning October 1, 2010. The forecast of interest to be cleared, utilized the Board's current prescribed interest rate for deferral accounts for (Q2 2010) but will be updated with future prescribed rates as well.
- 2. The forecast 2009 GDARCDA and 2009 MPFDA amounts for clearance are the result of revenue requirement calculations. (Found in evidence at Ex.C, T1, S2 and Ex.C, T1, S3)
- 3. The forecast OBSDA and OBAVA balances are in accordance with the EB-2009-0043 approved settlement agreement.
- 4. The AUTUVA explanation is found in evidence at Ex.C, T1, S5.
- 5. The TRRCVA explanation is found in evidence at Ex.C, T1, S4.
- 6. The ESMDA explanation is found in evidence at Ex.B, T1, S1&2.
- 7. This is a projected final 2009 PGVA balance. The actual balance proposed for clearance will be determined, and updated, once the impact of the existing rate Rider "C", in place until March 31, 2010, is determined.

### **APPENDIX "B"**

### **APPLICANT AND LIST OF INTERVENORS**

**Enbridge 2009 Deferral & Variance Account Clearances** 

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