Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2010-0175

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 its 2011 Demand Side Management Plan.

BEFORE: Marika Hare Presiding Member

> Paula Conboy Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dated May 28, 2010, seeking an order granting approval of its 2011 Natural Gas Demand Side Management ("DSM") plan. The Board assigned File No. EB-2010-0175 to this application.

On July 16, 2010, the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1 granting the Vulnerable Energy Coalition ("VECC"), Low-Income Energy Network ("LIEN"), Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA"), Green Energy Coalition ("GEC"), Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME"), Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") and Pollution Probe intervenor status and cost eligibility. Toronto and Region Conservation Authority ("TRCA") and Ontario Sustainable Energy Association ("OSEA") requested and were granted intervenor status but the Board denied TRCA's and OSEA's requests to be eligible for an award of costs.

TRCA filed a motion to review the Board's cost eligibility decision. On November 22, 2010, the Board issued its Decision and Order on TRCA's motion to review the Board's cost eligibility decision and dismissed the motion.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on September 24, 2010, 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 VECC, LIEN, IGUA, GEC and CME. Energy Probe and Pollution Probe did not submit any cost claims.

On October 21, 2010, Enbridge filed comments stating that it finds the claims to be consistent with the allowances of prescribed rates within the cost assessment guidelines and has no objection to these claims.

Board Findings

The Board reviewed the claims filed by VECC, LIEN, IGUA, GEC and CME. Due to a calculation error when computing HST, the Board has adjusted IGUA's cost claim. IGUA's total revised claim is \$1,722.79.

The Board finds the cost claims by VECC, LIEN, IGUA, GEC and CME to be reasonable and that Enbridge shall reimburse the costs, as noted below, and subject to the adjustment referenced above.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay:

•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$1,029.01;
•	Low-Income Energy Network	\$3,356.10;
•	Industrial Gas Users Association	\$1,722.79;
•	Green Energy Coalition	\$3,214.40; and
•	Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters	\$1,101.14.

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, November 26, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary