# Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0051

**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., pursuant to section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998,* for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas as of April 1, 2011;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism approved by the Ontario Energy Board in proceedings: RP-2000-0040, RP-2002-0133, RP-2003-0203 and EB-2008-0106.

By Delegation, before: Adrian Pye

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

## **Background**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dated March 11, 2011 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective April 1, 2011 (the "Application"). The Application was made pursuant to Enbridge's approved Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM").

A Decision and Order was issued on March 22, 2011, directing parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no later than April 8, 2011. Enbridge had until April 15, 2011 to object to any aspect of the costs claimed. Any responses to Enbridge's comments were to be filed with the Board and Enbridge by April 21, 2011.

The Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA") and the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME") filed cost claims with the Board and copied Enbridge.

On April 13, 2011, Enbridge filed a letter stating that it had no objections to IGUA's and CME's cost claims.

I find that CME is entitled to 100% of its claimed costs of participating in this proceeding. I have made one adjustment to IGUA's cost claim as the total amount on Form 2 does not match with the information filed on Form 3 resulting in a revised claim of \$1,011.99. Subject to this adjustment, I find that IGUA is entitled to 100% of its claimed costs in this proceeding.

### THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay:
  - IGUA its costs equal to \$1,011.99; and
  - CME its costs equal to \$914.74.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, April 20, 2011

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Adrian Pye Manager, Licence Applications