

ENBRIDGE GAS DISTRIBUTION INC. RESPONSE TO
FEDERATION OF RENTAL-HOUSING PROVIDERS OF ONTARIO
INTERROGATORY #25

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REF: EB-2012-0451 EX. A, Tab 3 Schedule 5, pages 21-30

Preamble: Evidence in the referenced section builds a case for a hypothetical dramatic shift in gas supply arrangements due to recent changes triggered by TCPL's recently concluded rates proceeding.

Please provide specific evidentiary references that support EGD's conclusion that STFT services may not be available by 2016 necessitating a shift to Long Haul Firm Service contracting.

RESPONSE

The evidence referred to describes upcoming shifts in gas supply arrangements based on real events that are currently unfolding in the market for natural gas in Canada. Specific evidentiary references are as follows:

- 1) TransCanada Tariff Amendments: Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 5, Page 24, Paragraph 50; and,
- 2) TransCanada Energy East Pipeline: Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 5, Page 23, Paragraph 48 and Page 24, Paragraph 49.

The Tariff amendments, if approved, will no longer provide Enbridge with the opportunity to lock in discretionary service at a known price on the Mainline prior to the winter season. TransCanada is requesting the ability to offer discretionary services when it chooses rather than at set times throughout the year. Enbridge cannot plan for discretionary service on the hope that TransCanada will make it available when Enbridge requires it. Nor has the NEB mandated price caps or STFT availability for LDC's such as Enbridge. Please see Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 5, Page 23, Paragraph 47.

Witness: J. Denomy

The Energy East Pipeline will convert a portion of Mainline capacity from natural gas transportation service to oil transportation service and consequently reduce available capacity on the Mainline. TransCanada currently estimates that post conversion available capacity on the Mainline to the Enbridge EDA and points east would be less than current firm transportation contracts to the Enbridge EDA and points east by approximately 300 TJ/d. Capacity to the Enbridge CDA would be reduced with the conversion to oil, however, TransCanada has not provided an indication of the amount that available capacity would be reduced in relation to existing firm transportation contracts to the Enbridge CDA.

In combination with the requested Tariff amendments, the Energy East Pipeline will make discretionary service scarce relative to today. Please refer to the response to BOMA Interrogatory #41 a) at Exhibit I.A1.EGD.BOMA.41 for a link to the TransCanada Compliance Filing and the TransCanada Review and Variance Application.