Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2013-0406

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 January 1, 2014; and

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: Pascale Duguay

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS January 29, 2014

Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dated December 10, 2013 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective January 1, 2014 (the "Application"). The Application was made pursuant to Enbridge's approved Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM").

A Decision and Interim Order was issued on December 20, 2013 which, among other things, directed eligible parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no

later than January 10, 2014. Enbridge had until January 17, 2014 to object to any aspect of the costs claimed. Any responses to Enbridge's concerns were to be filed with the Board and Enbridge by January 24, 2014.

The Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters and the Industrial Gas Users Association filed cost claims with the Board and copied Enbridge.

On January 17, 2014, Enbridge filed a letter stating that it had no objection to the cost claims.

I have reviewed the cost claims filed and found them to be reasonable and find both parties to be entitled to 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay:
 - the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters cost claim total of \$1,643.02; and
 - the Industrial Gas Users Association cost claim total of \$718.47.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. shall immediately pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

ISSUED at Toronto, January 29, 2014

Original Signed By

Pascale Duguay Manager, Natural Gas Applications