



**EB-2006-0021**

**IN THE MATTER OF** a generic proceeding initiated by the Ontario Energy Board to address a number of current and common issues related to demand side management activities for natural gas utilities.

#### **PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4**

In the Ontario Energy Board's (the "Board") recent partial decision in Enbridge Gas Distribution's ("EGDI") 2006 rates application (EB-2005-0001 / EB-2005-0437), the Board announced its intention to convene a generic proceeding to address a number of current and common issues related to demand side management ("DSM") activities for natural gas utilities.

On February 15, 2006 the Board issued a Notice of Hearing. The hearing will result in orders under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") relating to the operation, evaluation and auditing DSM plans starting January 1, 2007.

On March 2, 2006 the Board issued Procedural Order Number 1 which outlined the schedule for the proceeding and included a Draft Issues List.

On April 28, 2006 the Board issued Procedural Order Number 2 which set the Issues List for this proceeding.

On June 12, 2006 the Board issued Procedural Order Number 3 which ordered the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters to provide written responses to the questions that were filed by Green Energy Coalition and School Energy Coalition on June 6, 2006.

A Settlement Conference convened on Monday, June 19, 2006 with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on as many of the issues on the Issues List as possible. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference was to be

filed with the Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28, 2006. To date, a Settlement Proposal has not been filed and the Board finds that it is appropriate to grant an extension to the deadline.

At this time, the Board considers it necessary to make a provision for the following procedural matter. Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

**THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 30, 2006.

DATED at Toronto, June 28, 2006

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Peter H. O'Dell  
Assistant Board Secretary