



EB-2014-0191

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 October 1, 2014;

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism approved by the Ontario Energy Board in previous proceedings.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Marika Hare
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
November 12, 2014

Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“Enbridge”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) dated September 11, 2014 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective October 1, 2014. The application was made pursuant to Enbridge’s approved Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“QRAM”).

This QRAM application also included the implementation of the rates approved by the Board in the EB-2012-0459 proceeding (i.e. Final 2014 Rates).

A Decision and Order was issued on September 25, 2014 which, among other things, directed eligible parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no later than October 3, 2014. Enbridge had until October 10, 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 October 17, 2014.

The Board received cost claims from the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME"), Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario ("FRPO") and the Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA").

On October 10, 2014, Enbridge filed its response to the cost claims filed and stated that it had no objections to the cost claims from CME, FRPO and IGUA.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed the cost claims of CME, FRPO and IGUA. The Board finds that the parties that have filed cost claims are eligible for 100% of the incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all the claims are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Enbridge.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:
 - Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters \$2,954.10;
 - Industrial Gas Users Association \$1,567.18; and
 - Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario \$2,610.30.
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 12, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary