

December 30, 2014

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street  
P.O. Box 2319  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2014-0276 Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. – 2015 Rates – Intervention of the Consumers Council of Canada**

I am a consultant to the Consumers Council of Canada (“Council”). I have been instructed by my client to intervene in the Application made by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“EGD”) to the Ontario Energy Board (“Board”) for natural gas rates effective January 1, 2015. The Council is a public-interest entity which represents the interests of residential consumers in Ontario. The Board’s order in this proceeding will ultimately impact the rates that residential consumers pay for the delivery of natural gas.

On June 23, 2014, the Council filed with the Board, pursuant to Rule 22.03 of the Ontario Energy Board’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, a document describing the Council, its mandate and objectives, membership, the constituency represented, and the types of activities the Council carries out. In addition, we provided a list of the individuals authorized to represent the Council in Board proceedings.

The nature and scope of the Council’s intended participation in the proceeding will be the following:

1. To assess the reasonableness of EGD’s Application;
2. To assess the extent to which EGD’s proposals are consistent with the rate framework approved by the Board for the period 2014-2018;
3. To ensure any proposals made by EGD as part of this Application are in the best interests of its customers.

The Council intends to participate in any pre-hearing procedures, including interrogatories, technical conferences and settlement conferences. The Council will also participate in any oral hearing of this matter as well as any other Board mandated steps in the proceeding.

The Council intends to ask for an order of costs in this proceeding. The Council has participated in many of the applications of EGD over a long period of time. In all of those proceedings the Council has been recognized as being eligible for an award of costs. In the absence of an award of costs the Council would be unable to participate in this proceeding.

Copies of all Board Notices and hard copies of the Applicant’s evidence should be sent to me, at 62 Hillside Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario, M4S 1T5. My telephone number is 416-322-7936 and my e-mail is [jgirvan@uniserve.com](mailto:jgirvan@uniserve.com).

Please let us know if any further information from the Council is required at this time.

Yours truly,

*Julie E. Girvan*

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