Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0277

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. for an order or orders approving the final balances and for clearance of certain Demand Side Management Variance Accounts into rates, within the next available QRAM following the OEB's approval.

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed Presiding Member

> Marika Hare Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS March 31, 2015

Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) dated October 2, 2014 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15, (Schedule B), for an order or orders approving the final balances in certain 2013 Demand Side Management Deferral and Variance Accounts. Enbridge also sought the disposition of the balances in these accounts, and inclusion into rates, within the next available Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism following the OEB's approval.

On November 19, 2014, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto (BOMA), Canadian Manufacturers

& Exporters (CME) and Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 26, 2015, the OEB issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Enbridge to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Enbridge.

The OEB received cost claims from BOMA, CME and Energy Probe.

On March 16, 2015, Enbridge filed its response to the cost claims filed and stated that it had no objections to the cost claims from BOMA, CME and Energy Probe.

Board Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims of BOMA, CME and Energy Probe and finds that these parties are eligible for 100% of the incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB 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:

•	Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto	\$4,101.90
•	Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters	\$1,401.77
•	Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$4,425.08

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, March 31, 2015

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary