



**EB-2017-0102**

**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.**

**Application for the disposition of amounts recorded in certain  
deferral and variance accounts and approval of the  
earnings sharing amount**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2  
June 29, 2017**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) filed an application dated May 9, 2017 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, S.O. 1998, c.15, (Schedule B) for an order approving the disposition of balances in certain deferral and variance accounts. The application also includes a request for approval to share earnings with ratepayers in accordance with the 2014-2018 Custom Incentive Rate-setting plan framework (EB-2012-0459).

A Notice of Hearing was issued on May 25, 2017 and was served and posted as per the direction of the OEB.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 on June 14, 2017 outlining the process for filing interrogatories, responses to interrogatories and scheduling a settlement conference with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues.

In its application, Enbridge requested disposition of 2016 balances related to Ontario's Cap and Trade program costs that are recorded in its Greenhouse Gas Emissions Impact Deferral Account (GGEIDA). If Enbridge's proposal is approved, the 2016 debit balance of \$0.853 million would be collected from ratepayers.

The OEB finds it appropriate to defer consideration of the final disposition of Enbridge's 2016 GGEIDA account balance. However, the OEB will consider whether the balance should be disposed of on an interim basis in this proceeding. As a result, interim disposition of the 2016 GGEIDA Account is added as an issue for the settlement conference and intervenor cost award eligibility. The OEB finds it appropriate to defer final disposition given the other, concurrent applications before the OEB.

In the Notice of Application for this proceeding, the OEB determined that Cost Awards would only be available for:

- 1) the disposition of balances in specified deferral and variance accounts
- 2) the proposed 2016 utility results and earnings sharing amount
- 3) the proposed method for allocating and disposing of the deferral account balances and the 2016 earnings sharing amount.

The evidence filed by Enbridge for Status Updates in Exhibit D, Tab 1 does not appear to be directly related to these three items, and Enbridge is not seeking any approvals. Cost claims are not available for the Status Updates in the current proceeding unless an issue is directly related to the accounts and disposition requests that are the subject of this proceeding.

Any matters related to the GGEIDA account (other than whether interim disposition of the GGEIDA account is appropriate) are excluded from settlement. All other matters decided by the OEB in Procedural Order No. 1 remain unchanged.

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