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## -- Comments --

The proposed rate calculation has been calculated and submitted by the gas companies rather than through an evaluation by the OEB of the costs of these companies.

It is a ridiculous proposal. The OEB is in place to specifically perform such an evaluation to protect the public from exactly this. How can anyone feel comfortable approving these rates which include recovery of "pass through" charges. This seems to be a common buzz word used by large corporations to rip-off consumers.

I really hope the OEB does what it has been created for and actually perform the operational review of the two gas companies in question and come to their own conclusion as to what a fair pricing schedule should be.

Approving the Union Gas and Enbridge proposal would be no different than telling a car salesman that you'll pay anything for the car he's selling, and expecting him to give you a deal. The OEB needs to stop considering such one-sided proposals and do the job people have hired them to do.

If nothing else there needs to be an escape clause in the agreement, whereby the OEB can perform an evaluation at anytime they see fit.

It would be better for the OEB to just deny the request and do their jobs.

-- Attachment --