

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF *the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O.1998, c. 15, (Sched. B), as amended (the “OEB Act”);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership pursuant to section 36(1) of the OEB Act for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale and distribution of gas to be effective January 1, 2019 for the gas distribution system to be constructed by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership to serve the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

OF THE

SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION

1. The School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.
1. SEC is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings. Our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board’s website, here:

<http://www.rds.oeb.ca/HPECMWebDrawer/Record/589545/File/document>
2. The School Energy Coalition intends to apply for recovery of its costs reasonably incurred in the course of its intervention in this matter. SEC has participated in many past natural gas and electricity proceedings in Ontario, including consultations, rate cases, and other processes and hearings, and has been found eligible to be paid its reasonably incurred costs in all of those proceedings.

Issues to be Addressed

3. SEC’s intended participation will focus on the following issues:
 - a. The reasonableness of the costs and revenue requirement of the Applicant;
 - b. Proposed rate plan for the Applicant;
 - c. Consistency with the information filed and that the Board relied up in its decision in EB-2016-137/137/139;
 - d. The utility system plan on which the Application is based;
 - e. Load forecast, cost allocation and rate design;
 - f. Creation of any variance and deferral accounts;
 - g. The extent to which the outcomes proposed in the Application represent value for money for ratepayers, particularly school boards; and

- h. Generally to represent the interests of school boards and their students in this process.

The Intervenor's Intended Participation

4. SEC intends to participate in any pre-hearing procedures, including interrogatories or technical conferences, and settlement conferences. SEC also intends to participate in any oral hearing of this matter, and in written or oral submissions, as well as any other parts of the process that the Board should order.

Nature of Hearing Requested

5. Until interrogatories have been answered, we believe it is premature to assess whether a written or an oral hearing is more appropriate in this proceeding.

Counsel/Representative

6. SEC requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board by each party to this proceeding be served on the intervenor, and on the intervenor's counsel, as follows:

- a. School Energy Coalition: (**electronic copies only**)

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- b. SEC's counsel: (**electronic copies only**)

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