

EB-2018-0336

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

Application for approval to change gas distribution rates and other charges effective January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2024

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3 June 18, 2019

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (EPCOR Natural Gas) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on February 1, 2019 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval to charge new rates for the sale and distribution of gas effective January 1, 2020 and approval of an incentive rate-setting plan for the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2024.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 on March 22, 2019 which made provision for filing of interrogatories, responses to interrogatories, submission of a proposed Issues List and scheduled a settlement conference. A settlement conference was held on May 16 and 17, 2019 between the applicant and intervenors in the proceeding. A settlement was reached on all issues. EPCOR Natural Gas filed a settlement proposal with the OEB on June 3, 2019. An updated settlement proposal was filed on June 10, 2019 that included total bill impacts and a revised revenue sufficiency.

On June 14, 2019, OEB staff filed a submission in support of the settlement proposal. In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, the OEB had tentatively scheduled June 24, 2019, for EPCOR Natural Gas to present to the OEB any settlement proposal and a summary of any unsettled issues in the case. The OEB has determined that it will not be requiring EPCOR Natural Gas to present the settlement proposal. Accordingly, the presentation day scheduled for June 24, 2019 is cancelled.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The presentation of the settlement proposal scheduled for June 24, 2019, is cancelled.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2018-0336**, be made in searchable/unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>https://www.oeb.ca/industry</u>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a USB memory stick in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Khalil Viraney at Khalil.Viraney@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at Michael.Millar@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, June 18, 2019

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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