



EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

**Application for gas distribution rates and other charges
for the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2028**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 7

October 8, 2019

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (EPCOR Southern Bruce) filed a custom incentive ratemaking application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on April 11, 2019 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for rates that EPCOR Southern Bruce charges for gas distribution, to be effective January 1, 2019 and for each following year through to December 31, 2028.

In a decision and procedural order issued on October 3, 2019, the OEB accepted the settlement proposal filed by EPCOR Southern Bruce and scheduled a written process to address the unsettled issues. Accordingly, parties were required to file final arguments by October 11, 2019.

By letter dated October 7, 2019, the Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA) submitted that six working days was not sufficient to finalize arguments. In addition, certain holidays during this period further reduced the available time. Accordingly, IGUA requested an extension until October 18, 2019 to file final arguments. Anwaatin Inc. filed a letter on the same day (October 7, 2019) supporting IGUA's request for an extension.

The OEB will grant the requested extension to file final arguments on the unsettled issues.

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. Intervenors and OEB staff who wish to file final arguments shall file them with the OEB and serve them on other intervenors by **October 18, 2019**.
2. EPCOR Southern Bruce shall file its reply argument with the OEB and serve it on all intervenors by **October 25, 2019**.

All materials filed with the OEB must quote the proceeding number, EB-2018-0264, be made in a searchable/unrestricted PDF format and sent electronically through the OEB's web portal at <https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice>. 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 email address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <https://www.oeb.ca/industry>. 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 seven paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary 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, Arturo Lau at Arturo.Lau@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at Michael.Millar@oeb.ca.

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