



Quinte Manufacturers Association

November 8, 2019

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
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Via e-mail & Courier

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2019-0194 Enbridge Gas Inc. Application for Approval of Rates Commencing January 1, 2020,
Quinte Manufacturers Association Intervenor Request Letter**

In response to the Ontario Energy Board's recent notice to customers of Enbridge Gas Inc., the Quinte Manufacturers Association ("QMA") respectfully applies for intervenor status in the above-noted proceeding.

Intervenor Background

The Quinte Manufacturers Association is an organization of small and medium manufacturers and processors located in the greater Bay of Quinte region which includes the cities of Belleville and Quinte West. The Association is an unfunded industry collaborative that provides a forum for all members to discuss issues and matters of common concern including the increasing costs of natural gas, supply and service. The work of the QMA represents the specific interests of its members that directly employ over 11,460 people in the region. It is led by a volunteer steering committee with members drawn from local manufacturers. The QMA is the respected voice of manufacturing in the Quinte region.

Statement of Interest

Members of the QMA cover a diverse cross section of business sectors including food processing; plastics and packaging; logistics; auto parts and aerospace. Natural gas is considered a critical component for a wide variety of manufacturing and processing purposes. Members are very concerned with the impact on operations as a result of increases in gas rates and other charges effective January 1, 2020.

Intervention

The QMA is requesting intervenor status in this proceeding. Given the nature of the Enbridge Gas Inc. Application, the QMA is intervening to ensure that the interests of its members are represented and that its participation is helpful to the Board in its determinations. In addition, the QMA believes that there are significant issues in the Application that warrant examination through an oral hearing while certain other issues may be suitable for settlement discussions in determining fair and reasonable rates and charges. The QMA intends to participate fully in the hearing process.



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Costs

The QMA believes that it meets the eligibility requirements set out in the Ontario Energy Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The QMA will be requesting an award of its reasonably incurred costs (related fees and disbursements) to retain qualified consulting support for its intervention.

Communications

The QMA requests that correspondence and documentation related to the proceeding be sent by e-mail to:

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Sincerely,

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