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# **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

**EB-2019-0187**

**ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**

**Application for leave to construct natural gas pipelines and associated facilities to serve the community of Saugeen First Nation, north of Southampton in Bruce County**

**BEFORE: Susan Frank**  
Presiding Member

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**March 9, 2020**

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## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to an Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) proceeding.

Enbridge Gas applied to the OEB under section 90 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for approval to construct 16 kilometres of natural gas pipelines and associated facilities to serve the community of Saugeen First Nation, in Bruce County. Enbridge Gas also sought approval, pursuant to section 36 of the OEB Act, to charge a System Expansion Surcharge of \$0.23 per cubic metre (m<sup>3</sup>) for a term of 40 years to all new customers taking natural gas distribution service from the proposed pipeline, and to any future extensions of the pipeline.

The OEB granted Pollution Probe intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 6, 2020, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for Pollution Probe to file its cost claim, for Enbridge Gas to object to the claim and for Pollution Probe to respond to any objections raised by Enbridge Gas.

The OEB received a cost claim from Pollution Probe. On March 3, 2020, Enbridge Gas filed a letter stating that it had no objection to the cost claim received from Pollution Probe.

### Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claim filed to ensure that it is compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that Pollution Probe is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claim of Pollution Probe is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Enbridge Gas.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge Gas shall immediately pay Pollution Probe \$15,288.90.

**DATED** at Toronto March 9, 2020

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar and Board Secretary