

**BY EMAIL** 

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Rakesh Torul Technical Manager, Regulatory Applications Enbridge Gas Inc. 500 Consumers Road North York ON M2J 1P8

Dear Mr. Torul:

## Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) Application for 2021 Rates OEB File Number: EB-2020-0095

On June 30, 2020, Enbridge Gas filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to adjust its rates effective January 1, 2021, based on the OEB's incentive ratesetting framework (IRM Application) approved in the amalgamation proceeding (EB-2017-0306/0307).

In its cover-letter, Enbridge Gas requested that the OEB adjudicate this application in a bifurcated manner, with 2 Phases, similar to the 2020 rate proceeding. As such, Enbridge Gas has filed supporting evidence only in relation to the IRM Application, referred to as Phase 1, which includes the annual rate escalation, pass through-costs, capital pass-through adjustments and Parkway Delivery Obligation rate adjustments. Enbridge Gas has requested that the OEB determine the IRM Application by November 27, 2020 so that the rates can be implemented on an interim basis in conjunction with the January 1, 2021 QRAM application.

Enbridge Gas has advised that it will file the evidence in relation to the request for incremental capital module (ICM) funding, which includes a consolidated Utility System Plan, an Asset Management Plan and a Customer Engagement Study, referred to as Phase 2, with the OEB in October 2020.

The OEB has determined that it will process the Phase 1 and Phase 2 applications separately. The OEB will commence its review of the Phase 1 (IRM) application at this

time and will commence the processing of the Phase 2 (ICM) application when the evidence in respect of that application is filed.

The file number for the IRM Phase 1 application is EB-2020-0095 and the file number for the Phase 2 application is EB-2020-0181.

Please direct any questions relating to the applications to the Case Manager, Khalil Viraney, at 416-440-7729 or <u>Khalil.Viraney@oeb.ca</u>.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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