

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Consultation to Review Natural Gas Supply Plans

POLLUTION PROBE INTERROGATORIES

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A) Questions related to the EGNLP Aylmer Gas Supply Plan 2020-2025

Pollution Probe #1

Reference: The ENGLP Aylmer Gas Supply Plan identifies three elements that align with the Public Policy requirement, specifically the Federal Carbon Pricing Program, Renewable Natural Gas (RNG), and Community Expansion,

- a) Please provide a comprehensive list of public policy objectives that were reviewed as the Gas Supply Plan updates were developed.
- b) Please explain what ENGLP specifically plans to do to support the RNG policy objective over the life of this 5 year plan.
- c) Does EGNLP propose to offer any DSM programs by 2025? If yes, please describe. If not, why not.
- d) Please explain if any of the following policy considerations were considered and if so, please explain how they impacted the plan update.
 - Government of Ontario's Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan (MOEP)
 - Municipal Energy and Emissions Plans (supported by Provincial policy and program funding)
 - Municipal Climate Emergency declarations and complimentary policy at all levels of government.
 - The Ministry Directive to the OEB to pursue all cost-effective DSM.

Pollution Probe #2

- a) Please provide an estimate of the total annual costs to EGNLP and Ratepayers if the M9 Rate was no longer available from Enbridge and the OEB required EGNLP to move to the new M17 rate.
- b) Please explain the benefits and costs saving if the OEB allowed EGNLP to move back and forth between an M17 and M9 rate as required.

Pollution Probe #3

Enbridge requested an adjournment to its Dawn-Parkway Expansion Project (EB-2019-0159), in part due to supply and demand uncertainty related to COVID. Has EGNLP

experienced or expects to experience supply/demand impacts over the life of this 5-year plan?

Pollution Probe #4

- a) Does EGNLP have targets for metrics under its proposed Performance Metrics Scorecard? If yes, please provide a populated scorecard with targets. If no, please explain how the blank scorecard will be used to assess performance.
- b) Please explain how EGNLP will determine if it is compliant with the Public Policy scorecard metric related to Community expansion, FCC and RNG.

Pollution Probe #5

Reference: APPENDIX A: CURRENT AND FUTURE MARKET TRENDS ANALYSIS, Page 38 of 47. - "The significant aspect of this graph shows that there is excess capacity available to serve the Eastern Canadian markets."

Please explain this statement and its impact on natural gas supply and demand for Ontario consumers.

B) Questions related to the EGNLP Southern Bruce Gas Supply Plan 2020-2023

Pollution Probe #6

- a) Please provide a comprehensive list of public policy objectives that were reviewed as the Southern Bruce Gas Supply Plan was developed and explain how they were incorporated.
- b) Please explain if any of the following policy considerations were considered and if so, please explain how did they impacted the plan update.
 - the Government of Ontario's Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan (MOEP)
 - Municipal Energy and Emissions Plans (supported by Provincial policy and program funding)
 - Municipal Climate Emergency declarations and complimentary policy at all levels of government.
 - The Ministry Directive to the OEB to pursue all cost-effective DSM.

Pollution Probe #7

Please provide an estimate of the total annual savings to EGNLP and Ratepayers if the M9 Rate was available from Enbridge and the OEB allowed EGNLP to move back and forth between an M17 and M9 rate as required.

Pollution Probe #8

Enbridge requested an adjournment to its Dawn-Parkway Expansion Project (EB-2019-0159), in part due to supply and demand uncertainty related to COVID. Has EGNLP experienced or expects to experience similar impacts over the life of this gas supply plan?

Pollution Probe #9

- c) Does EGNLP have targets for metrics under its proposed Performance Metrics Scorecard? If yes, please provide a populated scorecard with targets. If no, please explain how the blank scorecard will be used to assess performance.
- d) Please explain how EGNLP will determine if it is compliant with the Public Policy scorecard metric related to Community expansion and FCC.
- e) Please explain why EGNLP did not include an RNG policy objective in its scorecard.