

March 2, 2021

## Sent by EMAIL, RESS e-filing

Ms. Christine E. Long Registrar Ontario Energy Board 27-2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long:

Re: Consultation to Review Annual Update to Five-Year Natural Gas Supply Plans Ontario Energy Board: EB-2021-0004 Notice of Intervention by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

Please find enclosed a notice of intervention, filed on behalf of EPCOR in the above-noted matter.

Sincerely,

Tim Hesselink

Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs

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EPCOR Utilities Inc.

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## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998,* S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sch. B) as amended (the "Act");

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Ontario Energy Board's consultation to review the Annual Five-Year Natural Gas Supply Plans for Enbridge Gas Inc.;

## APPLICATION FOR INTERVENOR STATUS FOR EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

- 1. EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP) hereby applies for Intervenor Status in the above-noted proceeding. ENGLP is a subsidiary of the parent company, EPCOR Utilities Inc.
- 2. The EPCOR family of companies own and operate electrical, natural gas and water transmission and distribution networks, water and wastewater transportation facilities, sanitary and stormwater systems, and infrastructure in Canada and the United States.
- 3. In Ontario, ENGLP owns and operates a natural gas distribution system in and around Aylmer, Ontario and is constructing a natural gas distribution system to connect and serve certain municipalities in the South Bruce area of Ontario. In order to serve its distribution customers, ENGLP takes service from Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge"), previously Union Gas Limited. ENGLP, through its operations, is a customer of Enbridge. In that regard, ENGLP holds several contracts with Enbridge for the transportation, delivery and sale of natural gas to ENGLP's gas distribution system.
- 4. The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is initiating a consultation to review Enbridge Gas Inc.'s (Enbridge Gas) Annual Update to its five-year natural gas supply plan (GSP). The OEB encourages participation in this consultation process by all interested parties.
- 5. Enbridge's 2021 Annual Update was filed on February 1, 2021 and covers the Enbridge Gas Distribution and Union Gas rate zones. It is based on the 2020/21 GSP for the 2020 to 2025 period. The consultation will include a review of the updates to the outlook section of the GSP, significant changes from the previous updates, a three-year historical comparison of actuals and outlook, and the timing of future updates to the GSP. Enbridge Gas is proposing to submit Annual Updates by March 1 of each subsequent year.
- 6. ENGLP has an interest in the issues that will be raised in this proceeding, including without limitation: impacts of renewable natural gas (RNG) and Sustainable Natural Gas (SNG) purchases on system gas cost and impacts to embedded utilities, particularly related to flow through of federal carbon charge and SNG attributes.

- 6. ENGLP intends to participate in all aspects of the consultation.
- 7. ENGLP will not be seeking an award of costs in this proceeding.
- 8. ENGLP has electronic copies of the filed materials and does not require hard copies.
- 9. Correspondence relating to this intervention should be directed to:

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DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2021

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