

March 19, 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: EB-2021-0099 Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") Application EPCOR Natural Gas LP ("ENGLP") Aylmer for rates effective April 1, 2021

Please find attached ENGLP Aylmer's revised QRAM Application to the Ontario Energy Board for orders effective April 1, 2021.

## **Revisions:**

**SCHEDULE A - Gas Supply Charges** - An incorrect OEB filing reference was included for PGCVA Reference Price and GPRA Recovery Fee. Both have been corrected to read EB-2021-0099 (the current application).

**APPENDIX C - CUSTOMER NOTICE -** As ENGLP has four rate filing decisions take effect as of April 1, 2021, a more detailed customer notice has been included with this filing. This includes notification of:

- EB-2020-0234 2021 IRM filing effective date January 1, implementation date April 1
- EB-2020-0076/EB-2020-0231- 2020 and 2021 Federal Carbon Pricing Plan
- EB-2020-0099 April 2021 QRAM (the current application)

After discussion with OEB Staff, two versions of the customer notice have been included.

**Customer Notice - Version 1** included in Appendix C includes annual rate impacts comparing the 2020 IRM filing with the 2021 filing. As the implementation date of EB-2020-0234 was deferred until April 1, 2021 (instead of January 1, 2021), certain rate riders have expired as of

January 1, 2021. As the QRAM typically compares the current quarter vs the previous quarter, the annual customer impact of the IRM is overstated using the traditional approach of annualized

quarterly comparison.

Further, the notices for the QRAM typically cover only the impacts of the change in commodity pricing, exclusive of temporary adjustments (such as distribution rider riders). This can be demonstrated referring to the notice included in the Q1 2021 QRAM (EB-2020-0296) which only included the change in commodity pricing, it did not show the reduction in distribution revenue

due to the rate rider expiry.

Customer Notice - Version 2 is presented as requested by Board Staff, which follows the

historical QRAM methodology (i.e. comparing March 31, 2021 and April 1, 2021 annualized).

ENGLP would prefer to use Version 1 of the Customer Notice as it more accurately reflects the

true annual impact of the IRM filing.

Appendix C has also been expanded with additional commentary and calculation to present the

customer rate impacts.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sched. B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP) for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas as of April 1, 2021;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism.

#### APPLICATION

- 1. As part of the EB-2020-0296 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated December 18, 2020, the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") approved a PGCVA reference price of \$0.133235 per m³ and a gas supply charge of \$0.135143 per m³, both effective January 1, 2021.
- 2. Based on actual and forecast natural gas prices for the April, 2020 through March, 2021 period the PGCVA balance is projected to be a charge of approximately \$2.19 per residential customer.
- 3. ENGLP hereby applies to the Board for further orders effective April 1, 2021, as follows:
  - a) an order changing the reference price authorized by the Board's EB-2020-0296 Decision and Interim Rate Order for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account No. 179-27) by \$0.002436 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of \$0.133235 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.135671 per m<sup>3</sup>;

b) an order changing the rates and other charges from those authorized by the

Board's EB-2020-0296 Decision and Interim Rate Order to reflect a

projected \$0.001521 per m<sup>3</sup> change in the gas supply charge from the

Board approved level of \$0.135143 per m<sup>3</sup> to a projected cost of

\$0.136664 per m<sup>3</sup>. This change is the sum of the change in the PGCVA

reference price, the change required to prospectively clear the balance of

the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account and the continuation of the system

gas supply cost approved in EB-2018-0336.

4. This application will be supported by written evidence that will be pre-filed with

the Board and intervenors of record in EB-2018-0336.

5. Pursuant to the criteria established in the Board's EB-2008-0106 Decision, below

is the Board's direction with respect to the timeline for processing the application:

Parties to this proceeding wishing to make comments on the application

may do so by filing such submissions with the Registrar and ENGLP no

later than 4:45 p.m. five calendar days following the filing of the QRAM

application;

ENGLP shall reply to any comments received by filing such replies with

the Registrar and serving an electronic copy on all parties who make

submissions no later than 4:45 p.m. three calendar days following receipt

of comments;

The Board issues its Decision and Order by the 25th of the month for

implementation effective April 1, 2021.

6. The address of service for EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership is:

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Dated at Collingwood, Ontario, this 19th day of March, 2021.

**EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership** 

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EPCOR Utilities Inc.

# EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP 1 2 **INTRODUCTION** 3 4 5 As part of the EB-2020-0296 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated December 18, 2020 6 the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") approved a Purchased Gas Commodity Variance 7 Account ("PGCVA") reference price of \$0.133235 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas commodity charge 8 of \$0.135143 per m<sup>3</sup>, both effective January 1, 2021 for EPCOR Natural Gas Limited 9 Partnership ("ENGLP"). 10 11 In RP-2002-0147/EB-2003-0286 (Accounting Order dated January 30, 2004), the Board 12 approved a Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account ("GPRA") to record the increase 13 (decrease) in the value of the gas inventory available for sale to sales service customers 14 due to changes in ENGLP's PGCVA reference price. This account was maintained in the 15 EB-2018-0336 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated July 4, 2019. In EB-2020-0296, 16 the Board approved a GPRA rate of \$0.001473 per m<sup>3</sup>. 17 18 ENGLP is proposing to adjust the gas supply charge, the GPRA rate and the PGCVA 19 reference price effective April 1, 2021 to reflect an updated forecast of gas costs, the 20 projected balance in the PGCVA and the projected balance in the GPRA. 21 PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT 22 23 24 **Updated Forecasts** 25 Based on actual and forecast costs, the PGCVA account balance totals a charge of \$2.19 26 per average residential customer for the twelve-month period ending March, 20210 27 (Schedule 2). 28 29 The current forecast reflects the forecast for natural gas prices over the relevant period.

These gas prices reflect current contracts and current market conditions, including

- 1 alternative energy prices, demand for natural gas, the weather outlook and the impact of
- 2 current storage levels. These impacts are reflected in the concurrent EB-2021-0070
- 3 QRAM application dated March 12, 2021 for the Union South rate zone filed by
- 4 Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge").

- 6 The PGCVA balance has been calculated using the most recent information available,
- 7 including actual volumes and costs through January, 2021. The remaining months in the
- 8 twelve-month period ending March, 2021 are calculated using estimated prices and
- 9 volumes based on the best information available at the time of filing.

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- 11 Forecast prices have been used for the period April, 2021, through March, 2022 period,
- 12 except where actual contracted prices are available.

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# GAS SUPPLY PORTFOLIO

- 15 The gas supply portfolio reflects the current and forecasted mix of delivery points utilized
- by ENGLP for system gas purchases. In particular, the gas supply portfolio reflected in
- 17 this ORAM application reflects the Detailed Supply/Demand Forecast found in Appendix
- 18 B to ENGL's Annual Gas Supply Plan Update (EB-2020-0106) filed on May 1, 2020.
- 19 This is consistent with the statement in the April 1, 2020 QRAM application (EB-2020-
- 20 0093) in which ENGLP stated that it was in the process of updating its gas supply plan
- 21 which was expected to be filed with the Board in May and that subsequent QRAM filings
- would reflect and align with the gas supply plan filing (Schedule 1, page 2 of EB-2020-
- 23 0093).

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- 25 ENGLP's gas supply portfolio continues to include system gas purchases from Enbridge
- and from a local producer.

- 28 ENGLP is a system gas customer on the Enbridge system on behalf of its own system gas
- 29 customers. ENGLP continues to have direct purchase customers on its system and
- 30 continues to ensure that they continue to balance their supply with their demand.

- 1 In addition to the system gas purchased from Enbridge noted above, ENGLP purchases
- 2 gas from a local producer in its franchise area. The monthly purchases for each of the
- 3 sources of supply are consistent with the figures in the annual gas supply that was filed
- 4 with the Board on May 1, 2020 and noted above.

- 6 The composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the April, 2020 through March,
- 7 2021 period is shown on the top of Schedule 3. This schedule shows the monthly volume
- 8 of gas purchased or forecast to be purchased from the local producer and from Enbridge.
- 9 Similarly, the composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the April, 2021
- through March, 2022 period is shown on the top of Schedule 6.

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# **HISTORICAL GAS COSTS**

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- 14 ENGLP's actual and forecast gas costs for the April, 2020 through March, 2021 period,
- by source of supply, are shown in Schedule 4 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the
- middle section of Schedule 3 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The bottom section of Schedule 3 shows the
- 17 composition of the total system gas costs. The conversion factor used to convert \$\frac{1}{m^3}\$ to
- 18 \$/GJ is based on the heat values used by Enbridge in their calculation of ENGLP's
- 19 Banked Gas Account balances. These conversion factors are shown in Schedule 4. All
- 20 prices and costs shown are actual prices paid in April, 2020 through January, 2021.
- 21 Prices for the remaining months in this period are based on estimated prices to be paid in
- 22 those months. The costs shown for these remaining months are based on both the
- estimated prices to be paid and the estimated volumes to be purchased.

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- 25 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing
- 26 Prices paid to Enbridge are based on the Board approved Union South Total Gas Supply
- 27 Commodity Charge for Utility Sales.

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# 1 <u>Local Production (A)</u>

- 2 The Board issued a Decision and Order Phase 2 for EB-2010-0018 dated May 17, 2012
- 3 in which the Board indicated that ENGLP would be permitted to recover from ratepayers
- 4 a maximum annual quantity of 1.0 million m<sup>3</sup> of natural gas at a rate of \$8.486 per mcf
- 5 (or \$0.3012/m<sup>3</sup>). This price, as set by the Board, can be seen in the line labeled "Local
- 6 Production (A)" of the price section of Schedule 3. As part of the contract, any gas taken
- 7 in excess of the annual quantity of 1.0 million m<sup>3</sup> was billed at a different rate (see Local
- 8 Production (B) below).

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- 10 In the EB-2018-0336 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated July 4, 2019, the Board
- approved the Settlement Proposal that was re-filed on June 10, 2019 in its entirety
- including the cost consequences of ENGLP's gas supply plan. In particular, the Board
- approved ENGLP's recovery from ratepayers a maximum annual quantity of 1.0 million
- m<sup>3</sup> of natural gas at a rate of \$8.486 per mcf (or \$0.3012/m<sup>3</sup>) through to the end of the gas
- purchase contract (September 30, 2020). As noted in the settlement proposal, ENGLP
- deals at arms' length from local gas producers, and expected to negotiate new pricing to
- take effect October 1, 2020 based on a discount to the Enbridge commodity rate under the
- 18 M9 contract. The 1.0 million m<sup>3</sup> maximum was reached in July, 2020 and no further
- 19 purchases of premium priced gas after that took place. Therefore, as shown in Schedules
- 20 3 and 6, volumes, prices and costs associated with Local Production (A) are shown as
- 21 zero for all months beyond July, 2020.

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## Local Production (B)

- 24 The gas purchased from the local producer shown in the line labeled "Local Production"
- 25 (B)" was priced at the approved Union Gas ("Union") Ontario landed reference price for
- each quarter, as per the Board EB-2010-0018 Decision and Order dated December 6,
- 27 2010. As noted above, this price was applicable to any gas taken in excess of 1.0 million
- 28 m<sup>3</sup> per contract year.

- 1 However, as of the beginning of 2017, Union no longer calculated an Ontario landed 2 reference price. In the absence of this reference price, ENGLP began using Union's 3 Dawn Reference Price for these volumes. 4 5 As explained in Union's EB-2016-0334 QRAM application and noted above, Union no 6 longer calculated an Ontario landed reference price. This reference price has been 7 replaced by the Dawn reference price. This is described on pages 5-6 and 10-11 of Tab 1 8 of the Union evidence in EB-2016-0334, as well as in the table and notes that follow the 9 table on page 2 of the application. 10 11 The Board approved the use of the Dawn Reference Price for ENGLP, on an interim 12 basis in EB-2016-0341 and indicated that this matter should be brought forward in 13 ENGLP's 2017-2021 rates application. 14 15 As noted above, in the EB-2018-0336 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated July 4, 16 2019, the Board approved the Settlement Proposal that was re-filed on June 10, 2019 in 17 its entirety including the cost consequences of ENGLP's gas supply plan. In particular, 18 the Board approved ENGLP's proposal to use the Dawn Reference Price to determine the cost of gas purchases in excess of 1.0 million m<sup>3</sup> from the local producer noted earlier in 19 20 this evidence and found that the use of this reference price for period January 1, 2017 21 through December 31, 2019 was appropriate. As part of the Settlement Proposal 22 accepted by the Board, the Parties agreed that the QRAM pricing that became interim as 23 of January 1, 2017 as a result of the replacement reference price should be made final. 24 25 The April, 2020 through June, 2020 price was \$0.102953, reflecting the Board's Decision 26 and Interim Rate Order in EB-2020-0077, dated March 26, 2020. The July, 2020 through 27 September, 2020 price was also \$0.102953, reflecting the Board's June 5, 2020 letter to
- 30 As noted above, the gas purchase contract for Local Production (A) and Local Production

Enbridge in which it agreed with Enbridge that it would be prudent to dispense with their

July 1, 2020 ORAM application, thereby continuing the rates approved in EB-2020-0077.

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- 1 (B) ended at the end of September, 2020. Pricing for the gas purchased from these wells
- 2 effective October 1, 2020 is no longer priced based on the Dawn Reference Price.

- 4 ENGLP entered into an Amending Agreement dated January 25, 2021 to the gas purchase
- 5 contract for this gas based on a pricing mechanism similar to that paid for Local
- 6 Production (C) as explained below. Specifically, the commodity rate for this gas is
- 7 calculated based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from
- 8 Lagasco relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge
- 9 total gas supply commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge
- paid to Enbridge. These charges are found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South
- 11 rate schedules and in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule, respectively. A 5% discount would
- be applied to the total gas supply commodity charge (inclusive of commodity rate
- adjustments) from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP. The proposed formula used
- 14 to determine the price to paid for this gas is:

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- 16 Price (\$/m3) = Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x ((Enbridge Total
- 17 Gas Supply Commodity Charge x 0.95) + Enbridge M9 Delivery Commodity Charge).

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- 19 ENGLP notes that unlike the Local Production (C) pricing described below, there would
- be no firm contract demand charge associated with the Local Production (B) gas.

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The Amending Agreement has a term to September 30, 2023.

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- 24 ENGLP notes that, similar to Local Production (C) below, there would be a quarterly true
- 25 up of the cost due to Lagasco invoicing ENGLP based on the forecast Enbridge heat
- 26 content each month as the actual heat content is not available from Enbridge at the time
- 27 the invoice is prepared. As a result, the actual monthly historical prices will not exactly
- 28 match what would be generated by the above formula using the actual Enbridge heat
- 29 content.

## 1 Local Production (C)

- 2 ENGLP entered into a contract with a local gas producer (Lagasco) for volumes to be
- 3 purchased and delivered to its franchise area. The required Lagasco and ENGLP facilities
- 4 were completed in late December, 2019 and the gas began flowing under this contract on
- 5 December 23, 2019. The gas purchase contract has a primary term which expires on
- 6 October 31, 2024. These volumes are shown in Schedules 3 and 6 as Local Production
- 7 (C). The contract includes a firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day.

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- 9 The commodity rate for this gas is calculated based on both the difference in the energy
- 10 content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that of the gas delivered by
- 11 Enbridge, and the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge. This charge is found in
- 12 Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules. A 5% discount is applied to
- the total gas supply commodity charge from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP up
- 14 to the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day. The formula used to determine the price to
- paid for this gas is:

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- 17 Price (\$/m3) = Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x Enbridge Total
- 18 Gas Supply Commodity Charge x 0.95.

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- The following example uses a total gas supply commodity charge of \$0.134224 per m<sup>3</sup>
- 21 (see the section above for Enbridge system gas pricing) and forecasted heat content of
- 22 39.28 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered by Enbridge and the forecasted 38.87 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for
- 23 gas delivered from Lagasco (see the Other Forecast section below).

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- 25 Price  $(\$/m3) = 38.87/39.28 \times \$0.134224 \times 0.95 = \$0.126182$ . These figures are shown on
- 26 Schedule 3 in the March column.

- 28 The actual price paid will reflect Enbridge's Board approved total gas supply commodity
- 29 charge and the actual heat content for both the Enbridge gas and the Lagasco gas.
- 30 ENGLP notes that there will be a true up of the cost due to Lagasco invoicing ENGLP

1 based on the forecast Enbridge heat content each month as the actual heat content is not 2 available from Enbridge at the time the invoice is prepared. This cost difference, which 3 ENGLP believes will be small relative to the overall cost of the gas each month, will continue to be reflected as an adjustment in subsequent invoices and is expected to be 4 5 done on a quarterly basis. These quarterly adjustments will continue to be reflected in the 6 PGCVA calculations in the month in which the adjustment is reflected in the invoices. 7 8 As a result of the above adjustments, the actual monthly historical prices will not exactly 9 match what would be generated by the above formula using the actual Enbridge heat 10 content. 11 12 For any gas delivered in excess of the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day delivered, 13 the 5% discount will not apply to the price to be paid, and there will not be any 14 incremental demand charges and no overrun charges. ENGLP does not forecast any gas 15 delivered in excess of the firm contract demand. 16 17 In addition to the above commodity price, ENGLP pays the local producer a delivery 18 charge and a demand charge for the delivery of the gas into the distribution system up to 19 1,200 GJ/day. These charges are equal to the corresponding charges paid to Enbridge 20 under the M9 rate schedule, adjusted for the relative difference in the heat content of the 21 gas delivered. This adjustment for the relative difference in the heat content ensures that 22 the cost associated with the delivery charges and demand charges paid to the local 23 producer are equal to the cost reductions that will be experienced on the Enbridge system. 24 These costs are tracked through ENGLP's Purchased Gas Transportation Variance 25 Account ("PGTVA"). ENGLP assesses its contract demand with Enbridge annually, to 26 take effect November 1. 27 28 ENGLP has maintained its contract demand with Enbridge effective November 1, 2020 at 29 the same level as the previous year. The addition of the firm local production has

- 1 allowed for the continuing growth in customer attachments without any increased cost
- 2 associated with a higher contract demand on the Enbridge system.

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# **FORECAST GAS COSTS**

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- 6 ENGLP's forecast gas costs for the April, 2021 through March, 2022 period, by source of
- 7 supply, are shown in Schedule 7 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the middle
- 8 section of Schedule 6 in \$\frac{1}{m^3}\$. The bottom section of Schedule 6 shows the composition
- 9 of the total system gas costs. The conversion factor used to convert \$\frac{1}{m}\$ to \$\frac{1}{g}\$ is based
- on the heat values used by Enbridge in their calculation of ENGLP's Banked Gas
- 11 Account balances. These conversion factors are shown in Schedule 7. The costs shown
- are based on both the estimated prices to be paid and the estimated volumes to be
- 13 purchased.

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- 15 Forecast gas prices for each of the sources of supply for the April, 2021 through March,
- 16 2022 period are described below.

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- 18 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing
- 19 As noted earlier, ENGLP is a system gas purchaser on the Union Gas South (now
- 20 Enbridge) system.

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- The price forecast for this gas reflects Enbridge's ORAM application in EB-2021-0070
- 23 dated March 12, 2021, where the gas supply commodity charge has been forecast as
- \$0.137086 per m<sup>3</sup> and is shown in the Enbridge Gas line on ENGLP's Schedule 6 and in
- \$\sqrt{GJ}\$ on Schedule 7. The \$0.137086 per m³ figure is taken from Enbridge's EB-2021-
- 26 0070 application on line 4 in Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 7, Appendix A, page 6 of 17.
- 27 This is Enbridge's Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for Utility Sales in the Union
- 28 South operating area.

- 1 The Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for Utility Sales in the Union South operating
- 2 area also directly impacts the price paid for gas purchased from the local producer noted
- 3 in Schedule 6 under Local Production (B) and Local Production (C) (see below).

- 5 At the time this application was prepared the Enbridge gas supply commodity charge for
- 6 April 1, 2021 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the
- 7 applied for and Board approved gas supply commodity charge for Enbridge will be
- 8 reflected in ENGLP's next QRAM application and evidence.

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#### 10 Local Production (A)

- 11 The first source of supply noted in Schedules 4 and 7 is "Local Production (A)" This
- 12 refers to gas that is produced in ENGLP's franchise area and purchased from a local
- producer, 2661031 Ontario Inc. NRG Corp. sold its production facilities to 2661031
- Ontario Inc. ENGLP's contract with NRG Corp. was transferred to 2661031 Ontario Inc.
- as well.

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- 17 The zero shown for all volumes, prices and costs over the April, 2021 through March,
- 18 2022 period shown in Schedule 6 reflect the end of Local Production (A) purchases, as
- explained above as a result of the expiry of the contract at the end of September, 2020.
- 20 The remaining gas forecast to be purchased from the local producer is shown on the
- 21 Local Production (B) line in Schedule 6.

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## 23 Local Production (B)

- As noted above, the contract that covers the volumes under both Local Production (A)
- and Local Production (B) expired at the end of September, 2020. Further, as noted above
- 26 in the Local Production (B) section of Historical Gas Costs, ENGLP entered into an
- 27 Amending Agreement to this gas purchase contract for this gas based on a pricing
- 28 mechanism similar to that paid for Local Production (C).

- 1 For volumes purchased for April, 2021 through March, 2022, and as noted above under
- 2 Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast based on
- 3 both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to
- 4 that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas supply
- 5 commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge.
- 6 These charges are found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules and
- 7 in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule, respectively. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas
- 8 supply commodity charge (inclusive of commodity rate adjustments) from Enbridge for
- 9 all gas delivered to ENGLP.

- 11 This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the April, 2021 through March, 2022 columns in the
- 12 row labelled Local Production (B). The discount applied to the Enbridge total gas supply
- 13 commodity charge results in lower costs for ENGLP's system gas customers. If the
- production from these wells, which are located within ENGLP's distribution franchise
- area were curtailed, this locally produced gas would need to be replaced with additional
- supplies from Enbridge which would result in a higher gas commodity cost and higher
- delivery charges paid to Enbridge. It may also result in a higher demand charge paid to
- 18 Enbridge.

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- The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery commodity charge in the cost of the gas reflects
- 21 the fact that the Local Production (B) gas, which is produced in the ENGLP franchise
- area, results in a direct reduction of the delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge of
- 23 the same amount as that paid to the local producer.

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# <u>Local Production (C)</u>

- As noted above under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate for this gas is calculated
- based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco
- 28 relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the Enbridge total gas supply
- 29 commodity charge. This charge is found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South
- rate schedules. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas supply commodity charge from

- 1 Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP up to the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day.
- 2 Any gas taken on any day in excess of the 1,200 GJ/day is paid at the Enbridge total gas
- 3 supply commodity charge for Union South, with no discount applied. ENGLP has not
- 4 forecast any excess gas to be purchased since the gas supply plan assumes normal
- 5 weather conditions and is based on the firm contract demand that underlies the Local
- 6 Production (C) volumes included in the plan. Any such excess volumes would be small
- 7 relative to the total volumes and the price differential is not large enough to have a
- 8 significant impact on the overall average monthly forecast of the price of the total system
- 9 gas purchases.

# 11 Other Forecast Assumptions

- 12 The heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is 39.32 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered from
- 13 Enbridge. This is consistent with the figure used by Enbridge in their QRAM
- application. It is found in Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 1 in EB-2021-0070, at Note 1 and
- also noted in paragraph 4 of Exhibit D, Tab 2, Schedule 1. ENGLP uses this conversion
- 16 factor to calculate the cost in \$/GJ and for the pricing of the Local Production (B) gas as
- well as for the Local Production (C) gas.

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- 19 Beginning in December, 2019, ENGLP required the use of a heat value in the pricing of
- 20 the gas purchased from Local Production (C), as noted above. The heat value used to
- 21 convert GJ to m³ is forecast at 38.87 GJ/10³ m³ for gas delivered from Lagasco related to
- both the Local Production (C) and the Local Production (B) gas beginning April 1, 2021.
- 23 This figure is representative of the actual heat value in January, 2020 through December,
- 24 2020 and shown for these months in Schedule 4. Both the Enbridge and Lagasco heat
- value forecasts are shown in Schedule 7.

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# **PGCVA RATE CHANGES**

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## PGCVA Balance

- 1 The projected March, 2021 balance in the PGCVA is a debit of \$32,451.65 including a
- debit of \$67,206.32 in accumulated interest, based on the Board's prescribed interest rate.
- 3 This estimate is based on actual and forecasted purchases and the balance brought
- 4 forward from March, 2020. The PGCVA debit amounts to a charge of approximately
- 5 \$2.19 for a typical residential customer consuming approximately 1,836.4 m<sup>3</sup> per year.
- 6 These figures are shown on Schedule 2.

- 8 Proposed PGCVA Rate Changes
- 9 ENGLP proposes to adjust the reference price effective April 1, 2021 based on the
- projected accumulated balance in the PGCVA as of the end of March, 2021 and the
- forecasted cost of gas over the twelve-month period beginning April 1, 2021 and ending
- 12 March, 2022. The reference price is set such that the projected PGCVA balance at the
- end of March, 2022 is close to zero.

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- 15 ENGLP's proposal will clear the PGCVA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the
- 16 need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP's past proposals in
- 17 QRAM applications, which have been accepted by the Board.

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- 19 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price by \$0.002436 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1,
- 20 2021, from \$0.133235 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.135671 per m<sup>3</sup>. The derivation of this rate is shown
- 21 in Schedule 5. This is the reference price required to bring the PGCVA balance close to
- 22 zero on a twelve-month forecast basis. This change will also be reflected in the gas
- commodity charge.

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# GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

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- 27 The impact on the GPRA of the proposed April 1, 2021 PGCVA reference price change
- 28 from \$0.133235 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.135671 per m<sup>3</sup> is a credit of \$22,630.98, as shown on
- 29 Schedule 8. This figure is shown in column (J) of Schedule 8 on the March, 2021 line. It
- 30 is calculated as the change in the PGCVA reference price between March, 2021 and

- 1 April, 2021, multiplied by the cumulative inventory balance at the end of March, 2021.
- 2 This cumulative inventory balance is the sum of the actual monthly inventory balances
- 3 for January, 2021 and forecasts for the subsequent months. These forecasts will be
- 4 replaced with actual balances for these months in subsequent QRAM applications as this
- 5 information becomes available. As well, the monthly inventory balances are based on a
- 6 deemed level of unaccounted for gas ("UFG") of the total throughput volume, as shown
- 7 in column (E) of Schedule 8. The 0.0% is the Board approved level of UFG from EB-
- 8 2018-0336.

- 10 ENGLP proposes to adjust the gas commodity charge effective April 1, 2021 based on
- 11 the projected accumulated balance in the GPRA. The adjustment to the gas commodity
- charge will be set such that the projected GPRA balance at the end of March, 2022 will
- be close to zero. The rate required to achieve this is shown in column (K) on Schedule 8.
- 14 Column (P) shows the reduction of the inventory revaluation balance based on this rate of
- 15 \$0.000558 per m<sup>3</sup> over the April, 2021 through March, 2022 period.

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- 17 ENGLP's proposal will clear the GPRA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the
- 18 need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP's proposal for the
- 19 continued prospective clearance of the PGCVA. This change will also be reflected in the
- 20 gas commodity charge.

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# GAS COMMODITY CHARGE

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- 24 The system gas supply cost of \$0.000435 per m³ will be maintained at the level approved
- 25 in EB-2018-0336. This figure represents the incremental costs over and above the
- 26 commodity and transportation costs that form the PGCVA reference price to the gas
- 27 supply function. These incremental costs are portions of administrative and general
- 28 expenses, regulatory and consulting fees associated with the QRAM applications, return
- on rate base (working cash allowance related to gas commodity) and income taxes. This
- functionalization was approved in EB-2018-0336.

2	The change in the gas commodity charge proposed for April 1, 2021 is su	mmarized
3	below. The change in the gas commodity charge reflects both the change in the	e PGCVA
4	reference price and the change in the recovery of the inventory revaluation amo	ount in the
5	GPRA. It also reflects the approved system gas supply cost. The change	in the gas

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8		EB-2020-0296	Proposed	
9		Jan 1, 2021	Apr. 1, 2021	Difference
10	PGCVA Reference Price	\$0.133235	\$0.135671	\$0.002436
11	GPRA Recovery	\$0.001473	\$0.000558	\$(0.000915)
12	System Gas Supply Cost	<u>\$0.000435</u>	<u>\$0.000435</u>	\$0.000000
13	Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.135143	\$0.136664	\$0.001521

# **SUMMARY**

commodity charge is as follows:

In summary, ENGLP proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account from \$0.133235 by \$0.002436 to \$0.135671 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1, 2021. Appendix B contains the accounting entries related to the PGCVA.

ENGLP also proposes to change the gas supply charge from \$0.135143 to \$0.136664 per m³ effective April 1, 2021. This change reflects the change in the PGCVA reference price, as described above, the change related to the recovery of the GPRA balance, also as described above, and the continuation of the EB-2018-0336 approved system gas supply cost. These changes apply to all system gas customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Schedule 9 provides a bill comparison showing the impact of the changes in the proposed gas commodity charge on a year over year basis for the appropriate quarter as well as the annual bill impact of the most recent quarterly change for an average residential customer. The annual bill impact related to the change in the commodity charges on a

1 customer consuming approximately 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is an increase of \$2.71. This average use 2 figure of 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is consistent with the bill impacts in ENGLP's 2020-2024 Incentive 3 Rate-setting Mechanism in EB-2018-0336 and reflects the Board's expectation that 4 QRAM applications would provide bill impacts based on this level for a typical 5 residential customer. 6 7 PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULES 8 9 The proposed rate schedules are attached as Appendix A. The proposed rate schedules in 10 Appendix A reflect the changes effective April 1, 2021 related to this QRAM application. 11 12 The proposed rate schedules also reflect the distribution rates, including rate riders, that were approved by the Ontario Energy Board in the EB-2020-0234 Rate Order dated 13 14 February 25, 2021, as well as the updated federal carbon pricing program rates, including 15 rate riders, that were approved by the Ontario Energy Board in the EB-2020-0076/EB-16 2020-0231 Decision and Order dated March 11, 2021. 17

#### PURCHASED GAS COMMDOITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT - PROJECTED BALANCE

## HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2020 TO MARCH, 2021

Act/Fcst	<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost (\$'s)	<u>M*3</u>	Actual/ Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA (\$'s)	Y-T-D PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest ( <u>\$'s)</u> (2)	Total PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA ( <u>\$</u> 's)	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
Actual	April	281,057	2,217,476	0.126746	0.122743	(0.004003)	-8,876.94	13,808.41	41.21	-67,297.96	-8,835.73	-53,489.55	158.8	2.18%
Actual	May	163,824	1,298,750	0.126140	0.122743	(0.003397)	-4,411.28	9,397.13	25.09	-67,272.87	-4,386.19	-57,875.74	95.8	2.18%
Actual	June	74,961	544,360	0.137705	0.122743	(0.014962)	-8,144.76	1,252.37	17.07	-67,255.80	-8,127.69	-66,003.43	37.6	2.18%
Actual	July	69,186	504,479	0.137144	0.122178	(0.014966)	-7,550.20	-6,297.83	0.59	-67,255.21	-7,549.61	-73,553.04	47.4	0.57%
Actual	August	68,647	603,347	0.113777	0.122178	0.008401	5,068.65	-1,229.18	-2.99	-67,258.20	5,065.66	-68,487.38	50.8	0.57%
Actual	September	87,059	760,647	0.114454	0.122178	0.007724	5,875.40	4,646.22	-0.58	-67,258.78	5,874.82	-62,612.56	51.3	0.57%
Actual	October	313,344	2,494,806	0.125598	0.128209	0.002611	6,513.00	11,159.22	2.21	-67,256.57	6,515.21	-56,097.35	111.3	0.57%
Actual	November	409,301	3,227,599	0.126813	0.128209	0.001396	4,506.08	15,665.30	5.30	-67,251.27	4,511.38	-51,585.97	211.5	0.57%
Actual	December	459,668	3,635,245	0.126448	0.128209	0.001761	6,403.19	22,068.49	7.44	-67,243.83	6,410.63	-45,175.34	194.8	0.57%
Actual	January	525,468	3,979,666	0.132038	0.133235	0.001197	4,762.90	26,831.39	10.48	-67,233.35	4,773.38	-40,401.96	399.3	0.57%
Forecast	February	573,788	4,330,968	0.132485	0.133235	0.000750	3,248.31	30,079.70	12.74	-67,220.61	3,261.05	-37,140.91	259.7	0.57%
Forecast	March	479,438	3,633,530	<u>0.131948</u>	0.133235	0.001287	4,674.97	34,754.67	<u>14.29</u>	<u>-67,206.32</u>	4,689.26	-32,451.65	<u>218.1</u>	0.57%
	Total	3,505,741	27,230,872	0.128741			12,069.32	34,754.67	132.85	-67,206.32	12,202.17	-32,451.65	1,836.4	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer (\$0.001192) 1,836.4 M\*3

\$2.19 Customer Charge

(1) Includes balance of 22,685.35 as of March, 2020 (2) Includes balance of -67,339.17 as of March, 2020

#### COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

#### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2020 TO MARCH, 2021

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-20</u>	<u>May-20</u>	<u>Jun-20</u>	<u>Jul-20</u>	<u>Aug-20</u>	<u>Sep-20</u>	Oct-20	<u>Nov-20</u>	<u>Dec-20</u>	<u>Jan-21</u>	<u>Feb-21</u>	<u>Mar-21</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas	85,486 0 711,436 0 0 1,420,554	78,017 0 675,672 0 0 545,062	65,967 0 441,066 0 0 37,328	59,155 602 397,344 0 0 47,378	0 60,405 513,869 0 0 29,073	0 57,402 626,004 0 0 77,241	0 70,801 914,469 0 0 1,509,535	0 59,199 951,423 0 0 2,216,977	0 60,912 1,032,834 0 0 2,541,499	0 58,255 1,112,320 0 0 2,809,091	0 88,872 864,192 0 0 3,377,904	0 87,687 956,784 0 0 2,589,059	288,624 544,136 9,197,413 0 0 17,200,700
Total	2,217,476	1,298,750	544,360	504,479	603,347	760,647	2,494,806	3,227,599	3,635,245	3,979,666	4,330,968	3,633,530	27,230,872
Price (\$/m3)  Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas	0.301200 0.102953 0.115473 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.301200 0.102953 0.109351 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.301200 0.102953 0.114591 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.301200 0.102953 0.114591 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.000000 0.102950 0.114591 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.000000 0.102950 0.114591 0.000000 0.000000 0.121894	0.000000 0.123491 0.120863 0.000000 0.000000 0.128566	0.000000 0.123500 0.122934 0.000000 0.000000 0.128566	0.000000 0.123491 0.121409 0.000000 0.000000 0.128566	0.000000 0.129026 0.126676 0.000000 0.000000 0.134224	0.000000 0.127679 0.126182 0.000000 0.000000 0.134224	0.000000 0.127679 0.126182 0.000000 0.000000 0.134224	
Total Gas Cost (\$)  Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas TCPL Transportation  Total	25,748 0 82,151 0 0 173,157 <u>0</u> 281,057	23,499 0 73,885 0 0 66,440 <u>0</u>	19,869 0 50,542 0 0 4,550 <u>0</u> 74,961	17,817 62 45,532 0 0 5,775 <u>0</u>	0 6,219 58,885 0 0 3,544 <u>0</u>	0 5,910 71,734 0 0 9,415 <u>0</u> 87,059	0 8,743 110,525 0 0 194,075 <u>0</u> 313,344	0 7,311 116,962 0 0 285,028 <u>0</u> 409,301	0 7,522 125,396 0 0 326,750 <u>0</u> 459,668	0 7,516 140,904 0 0 377,047 <u>0</u> 525,468	0 11,347 109,045 0 0 453,396 <u>0</u> 573,788	0 11,196 120,729 0 0 347,514 <u>0</u> 479,438	86,933 65,826 1,106,291 0 0 2,246,691 <u>0</u> 3,505,741

## **ACTUAL AND FORECAST GAS PRICES**

#### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2020 TO MARCH, 2021

		<u>Apr-20</u>	<u>May-20</u>	<u>Jun-20</u>	<u>Jul-20</u>	<u>Aug-20</u>	<u>Sep-20</u>	Oct-20	<u>Nov-20</u>	<u>Dec-20</u>	<u>Jan-21</u>	Feb-21	<u>Mar-21</u>
Local Production Local Production (A	a) (\$/GJ)	7.638	7.707	7.735	7.695	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Local Production (B	s) (\$/GJ)	2.611	2.634	2.644	2.630	2.640	2.640	3.135	3.142	3.142	3.283	3.250	3.250
Local Production (C	(\$/GJ)	2.928	2.798	2.943	2.927	2.939	2.939	3.068	3.128	3.089	3.223	3.212	3.212
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fuel Ratio	(%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
GJ/day (TCPL)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery Committme	ent Credit (\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enbridge Gas	(\$/GJ)	3.091	3.119	3.130	3.114	3.126	3.126	3.263	3.271	3.271	3.415	3.417	3.417
Heat Value Lagasco Heat Value	(GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3)	39.43 38.87	39.08 38.87	38.94 38.87	39.14 38.87	38.99 38.87	38.99 38.87	39.40 38.87	39.30 38.87	39.31 38.87	39.31 38.87	39.28 38.87	39.28 38.87

#### **EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

#### PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT

#### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2021 TO MARCH, 2022 (WITH CHANGE IN REFERENCE PRICE)

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<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost <u>(\$'s)</u>	<u>M*3</u>	Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u>	Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest ( <u>\$'s)</u> (2)	Total PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	303,550	2,258,506	0.134403	0.135671	0.001268	2,864.01	37,618.68	16.51	-67,189.81	2,880.52	-29,571.13	165.3	0.57%
May	157,217	1,180,192	0.133213	0.135671	0.002458	2,900.59	40,519.27	17.87	-67,171.94	2,918.46	-26,652.67	79.5	0.57%
June	82,836	636,606	0.130121	0.135671	0.005550	3,533.28	44,052.55	19.25	-67,152.69	3,552.53	-23,100.14	47.0	0.57%
July	77,433	587,211	0.131866	0.135671	0.003805	2,234.30	46,286.85	20.92	-67,131.77	2,255.22	-20,844.92	36.3	0.57%
August	107,230	804,518	0.133285	0.135671	0.002386	1,919.30	48,206.15	21.99	-67,109.78	1,941.29	-18,903.63	37.9	0.57%
September	148,410	1,126,529	0.131741	0.135671	0.003930	4,427.71	52,633.86	22.90	-67,086.88	4,450.61	-14,453.02	51.8	0.57%
October	309,482	2,319,764	0.133411	0.135671	0.002260	5,242.67	57,876.53	25.00	-67,061.88	5,267.67	-9,185.35	105.1	0.57%
November	631,360	4,665,836	0.135316	0.135671	0.000355	1,656.37	59,532.90	27.49	-67,034.39	1,683.86	-7,501.49	179.6	0.57%
December	700,948	5,175,283	0.135442	0.135671	0.000229	1,185.14	60,718.04	28.28	-67,006.11	1,213.42	-6,288.07	285.1	0.57%
January	662,443	4,894,351	0.135349	0.135671	0.000322	1,575.98	62,294.02	28.84	-66,977.27	1,604.82	-4,683.25	314.6	0.57%
February	603,924	4,461,787	0.135355	0.135671	0.000316	1,409.92	63,703.94	29.59	-66,947.68	1,439.51	-3,243.74	259.7	0.57%
March	502,962	3,730,882	0.134810	0.135671	0.000861	3,212.29	66,916.23	30.26	<u>-66,917.42</u>	3,242.55	<u>-1.19</u>	<u>218.1</u>	0.57%
Total	4,287,796	31,841,465	0.134661			32,161.56	66,916.23	288.90	-66,917.42	32,450.46	-1.19	1,780.0	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer

(\$0.00000) 1,780.0 M\*3

\$0.00 Customer Charge

(1) Includes March, 2021 year-to-date balance of (See Schedule 2) \$34,754.67 (2) Includes March, 2021 year-to-date balance of (\$67,206.32) (See Schedule 2)

#### COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

#### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2021 TO MARCH, 2022

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-21</u>	<u>May-21</u>	<u>Jun-21</u>	<u>Jul-21</u>	<u>Aug-21</u>	<u>Sep-21</u>	<u>Oct-21</u>	<u>Nov-21</u>	<u>Dec-21</u>	<u>Jan-22</u>	<u>Feb-22</u>	<u>Mar-22</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas	0 86,518 655,920 0 0 1,516,068	0 85,365 478,392 0 0 616,435	0 84,227 462,960 0 0 89,419	0 83,104 299,832 0 0 204,275	0 81,995 299,832 0 0 422,691	0 80,902 655,920 0 0 389,707	0 79,823 956,784 0 0 1,283,157	78,759 925,920 0 0 3,661,157	0 77,709 956,784 0 0 4,140,790	0 76,673 956,784 0 0 3,860,894	75,651 864,192 0 0 3,521,944	0 74,642 956,784 0 0 2,699,456	0 965,368 8,470,104 0 0 22,405,993
Total	2,258,506	1,180,192	636,606	587,211	804,518	1,126,529	2,319,764	4,665,836	5,175,283	4,894,351	4,461,787	3,730,882	31,841,465
Price (\$/m3)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas	0.000000 0.130309 0.128741 0.000000 0.000000 0.137086												
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Enbridge Gas TCPL Transportation	0 11,274 84,444 0 0 207,832 <u>0</u>	0 11,124 61,589 0 0 84,505	0 10,976 59,602 0 0 12,258	0 10,829 38,601 0 0 28,003	0 10,685 38,601 0 0 57,945	0 10,542 84,444 0 0 53,423	0 10,402 123,178 0 0 175,903	0 10,263 119,204 0 0 501,893	0 10,126 123,178 0 0 567,644	0 9,991 123,178 0 0 529,275	0 9,858 111,257 0 0 482,809	0 9,727 123,178 0 0 370,058	0 125,796 1,090,452 0 0 3,071,548 <u>0</u>
Total	303,550	157,217	82,836	77,433	107,230	148,410	309,482	631,360	700,948	662,443	603,924	502,962	4,287,796

## **FORECAST GAS PRICES**

#### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2021 TO MARCH, 2022

		<u>Apr-21</u>	May-21	<u>Jun-21</u>	<u>Jul-21</u>	<u>Aug-21</u>	<u>Sep-21</u>	Oct-21	Nov-21	<u>Dec-21</u>	<u>Jan-22</u>	Feb-22	<u>Mar-22</u>
Local Production Local Production (A)	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Local Production (B)	(\$/GJ)	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314	3.314
Local Production (C)	(\$/GJ)	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274	3.274
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fuel Ratio	(%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
GJ/day (TCPL)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery Committmen	nt Credit	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enbridge Gas	(\$/GJ)	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486	3.486
EGI Heat Value Lagasco Heat Value	(GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3)	39.32 38.87											

#### GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

#### APRIL, 2020 THROUGH MARCH, 2022

<u>Month</u>	Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> A	Throughput Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> B	Direct Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> C	System Sales Volume (M*3) D=B-C	Deemed U.F.G. (M*3) E	System Sales + U.F.G. (M*3) F=D+E	Monthly Inventory Balance (M*3) G=A-F	Cumulative Inventory (M*3) H (1)	Reference Price (\$/M*3) I	Inventory Revaluation ( <u>\$'s)</u> J	Inventory Rate (\$/M*3) K	Inventory Recovery ( <u>\$'s)</u> L=KxD	Y-T-D GPRA Balance ( <u>\$'s)</u> M (2)	Monthly Interest (\$'s) N	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) O (3)	Total Y-T-D GPRA <u>(\$'s)</u> P=M+O	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	2,217,476	5,221,464	3,255,339	1,966,125	0	1,966,125	251,351	7,951,141	0.122743	0.00	0.007433	14,614.21	-203,339.98	-395.95	-5,728.38	-209,068.36	2.18%
May	1,298,750	5,498,050	4,375,578	1,122,472	0	1,122,472	176,278	8,127,419	0.122743	0.00	0.007433	8,343.33	-194,996.65	-369.40	-6,097.78	-201,094.43	2.18%
June	544,360	5,850,857	5,491,975	358,882	0	358,882	185,478	8,312,897	0.122743	-4,696.79	0.007433	2,667.57	-197,025.87	-354.24	-6,452.02	-203,477.89	2.18%
July	504,479	6,003,483	5,453,758	549,725	0	549,725	-45,246	8,267,651	0.122178	0.00	0.006533	3,591.35	-193,434.52	-93.59	-6,545.61	-199,980.13	0.57%
August	603,347	6,203,210	5,549,170	654,040	0	654,040	-50,693	8,216,958	0.122178	0.00	0.006533	4,272.84	-189,161.68	-91.88	-6,637.49	-195,799.17	0.57%
September	760,647	5,004,290	4,311,604	692,686	0	692,686	67,961	8,284,919	0.122178	49,966.34	0.006533	4,525.32	-134,670.01	-89.85	-6,727.34	-141,397.35	0.57%
October	2,494,806	7,636,633	5,639,339	1,997,294	0	1,997,294	497,512	8,782,431	0.128209	0.00	0.004433	8,854.00	-125,816.01	-63.97	-6,791.31	-132,607.32	0.57%
November	3,227,599	9,247,825	6,187,835	3,059,990	0	3,059,990	167,609	8,950,039	0.128209	0.00	0.004433	13,564.94	-112,251.07	-59.76	-6,851.07	-119,102.14	0.57%
December	3,635,245	9,233,713	5,913,284	3,320,429	0	3,320,429	314,816	9,264,855	0.128209	46,565.16	0.004433	14,719.46	-50,966.45	-53.32	-6,904.39	-57,870.84	0.57%
January	3,979,666	8,743,104	4,788,804	3,954,300	0	3,954,300	25,366	9,290,221	0.133235	0.00	0.001473	5,824.68	-45,141.77	-24.21	-6,928.60	-52,070.37	0.57%
February	4,330,968	9,580,968	5,250,000	4,330,968	0	4,330,968	0	9,290,221	0.133235	0.00	0.001473	6,379.52	-38,762.25	-21.44	-6,950.04	-45,712.29	0.57%
March	3,633,530	8,933,530	5,300,000	3,633,530	0	3,633,530	0	9,290,221	0.133235	22,630.98	0.001473	5,352.19	-10,779.08	-18.41	-6,968.45	-17,747.53	0.57%
April	2,258,506	7,458,506	5,200,000	2,258,506	0	2,258,506	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	1,260.25	-9,518.83	-5.12	-6,973.57	-16,492.40	0.57%
May	1,180,192	6,280,192	5,100,000	1,180,192	0	1,180,192	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	658.55	-8,860.28	-4.52	-6,978.09	-15,838.37	0.57%
June	636,606	5,676,606	5,040,000	636,606	0	636,606	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	355.23	-8,505.05	-4.21	-6,982.30	-15,487.35	0.57%
July	587,211	5,627,211	5,040,000	587,211	0	587,211	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	327.66	-8,177.39	-4.04	-6,986.34	-15,163.73	0.57%
August	804,518	5,844,518	5,040,000	804,518	0	804,518	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	448.92	-7,728.47	-3.88	-6,990.22	-14,718.69	0.57%
September	1,126,529	6,166,529	5,040,000	1,126,529	0	1,126,529	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	628.60	-7,099.87	-3.67	-6,993.89	-14,093.76	0.57%
October	2,319,764	7,569,764	5,250,000	2,319,764	0	2,319,764	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	1,294.43	-5,805.44	-3.37	-6,997.26	-12,802.70	0.57%
November	4,665,836	10,600,836	5,935,000	4,665,836	0	4,665,836	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	2,603.54	-3,201.90	-2.76	-7,000.02	-10,201.92	0.57%
December	5,175,283	10,810,283	5,635,000	5,175,283	0	5,175,283	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	2,887.81	-314.09	-1.52	-7,001.54	-7,315.63	0.57%
January	4,894,351	10,294,351	5,400,000	4,894,351	0	4,894,351	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	2,731.05	2,416.96	-0.15	-7,001.69	-4,584.73	0.57%
February	4,461,787	9,711,787	5,250,000	4,461,787	0	4,461,787	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	2,489.68	4,906.64	1.15	-7,000.54	-2,093.90	0.57%
March	3,730,882	9,030,882	5,300,000	3,730,882	0	3,730,882	0	9,290,221	0.135671	0.00	0.000558	2,081.83	6,988.47	2.33	-6,998.21	-9.74	0.57%

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(2) Includes balance of

7,699,790 as of March, 2020 -217,954.19 as of March, 2020 -5,332.43 as of March, 2020

#### RESIDENTIAL BILL COMPARISONS

#### **QUARTERLY BILL IMPACT**

	Quarter Starting 01-Apr-20 EB-2020-0093	Quarter Starting 01-Apr-21 EB-2021-0099	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption for Quarter	291.8	291.8		
Monthly Charges Delivery Charges Total Commodity Charges	\$52.50 \$39.05 <u>\$38.11</u>	\$55.50 \$39.60 <u>\$39.88</u>	\$3.00 \$0.55 <u>\$1.77</u>	5.7% 1.4% <u>4.6%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$129.66	\$134.98	\$5.32	4.1%
AN	NUAL BILL IMP	<u>ACT</u>		
	01-Jan-21 FB-2020-0296	01-Apr-21 EB-2021-0099	\$ Change	Percent Change
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Average Residential Consumption	1,780.0	1,780.0		
Monthly Charges	\$210.00	\$222.00	\$12.00	5.7%
Delivery Charges Total Commodity Charges	\$238.19 \$240.55	\$241.55 \$243.26	\$3.36 \$2.71	1.4% 1.1%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$240.33</u>	<u>φ243.20</u>	<u>ΨΖ.Τ Ι</u>	1.170
Total Customer Charges	\$688.74	\$706.81	\$18.07	2.6%
	RATES USED (1		453	
	(2) 01-Apr-20	(2) 01-Jan-21	(2) 01-Apr-21	
	EB-2020-0093		EB-2021-0099	
Monthly Charge	17.50	17.50	18.50	
Delivery Charge Total Commodity Charge	0.133814 0.130611	0.133814 0.135143	0.135701 0.136664	
Total Commodity Onlarge	0.100011	0.100170	J. 10000 <del>1</del>	

<sup>(1)</sup> Rates shown do not include any rate riders or carbon charges.

<sup>(2)</sup> Monthly charge reflects one dollar charge related to Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

# APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION AND INTERIM RATE ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2021-0099 DATED MARCH XX, 2020

# **RATE 1 - General Service Rate**

## Rate Availability

The entire service area of the Company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer that requires delivery of natural gas to any residential building served through one meter and containing no more than three dwelling units.

#### Rate

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$18.50
	Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation – effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021	\$1.00
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m³ per month All over 1,000 m³ per month	13.5701 cents per m 10.9063 cents per m
	Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation - effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021	0.3640 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup> - Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) - Facility Carbon Charge	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month
	Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month

d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### **Meter Readings**

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

# **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

Effective: April 1, 2021

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

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# **RATE 2 - Seasonal Service**

# **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

## **Eligibility**

All customers.

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For	all gas consumed from:	April 1 - Oct 31	Nov 1- Mar 31
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$21.00	\$21.00
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78	\$0.78
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m³ per month Next 24,000 m³ per month All over 25,000 m³ per month	17.0841 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 8.8749 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 6.9188 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	21.5342 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 14.6901 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 15.5875 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation – effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021	0.2952 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	
	Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup> - Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) - Facility Carbon Charge	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month	\$0.01 per month
	Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month	\$0.78 per month
d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)		Schedule A

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

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#### **RATE 3 - Special Large Volume Contract Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a combined daily contracted demand for firm and interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 113,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) A Monthly Customer Charge (1):

A Monthly Customer Charge of \$201.00 for firm or interruptible customers; or A Monthly Customer Charge of \$223.00 for combined (firm and interruptible) customers.

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery

\$0.78

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 29.6806 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m3 of daily contracted firm demand

Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation of 0.5832 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand.

- effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021
- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:
  - (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 3.9173 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,
  - (ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 10.7010 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 7.7527 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation of 0.3162 cents per m³ for each m³ of firm volumes.

- effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery 0.3113 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery 0.1508 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

d) Carbon Charges (2)

Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)
 Facility Carbon Charge
 7.8300 cents per m<sup>3</sup>
 0.0052 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) 0.9416 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery \$0.01 per month

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

\$0.78 per month

e) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)

Schedule A

f) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 3 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year, including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
  - d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.1530 cents per m³ for firm gas and 5.4412 cents per m³ for interruptible gas.
- 4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the customer during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.7163 cents per m³ and a gas supply commodity charge as set out in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.

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# **Delayed Payment Penalty**

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

# **RATE 4 - General Service Peaking**

# **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

# **Eligibility**

All customers whose operations, in the judgment of EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, can readily accept interruption and restoration of gas service with 24 hours' notice.

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IXA		ll gas consumed from:	April 1 through December 31:	January 1 through March 31:
;	a)	Monthly Fixed Charge(1)	\$21.00	\$21.00
		Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 2	\$0.78
1	b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	18.9314 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 11.6156 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	24.1513 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 18.6627 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
		Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation – effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021	31.0449 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	
		Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
		Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
,	c)	Carbon Charges (2) - Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) - Facility Carbon Charge	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	$7.8300 \text{ cents per m}^3$ $0.0052 \text{ cents per m}^3$
		Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	$0.9416 \text{ cents per m}^3$	$0.9416 \text{ cents per m}^3$
		Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month	\$0.01 per month
		Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month	\$0.78 per month
	d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rid	ler (if applicable)	Schedule A

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Effective: April 1, 2021

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

# **RATE 5 - Interruptible Peaking Contract Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

c)

Entire service area of the company.

# **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a daily contracted demand for interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

a) Monthly Fixed Charge<sup>(1)</sup>

\$191.00

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery

\$0.78

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

b) A Monthly Delivery Charge:

A Monthly Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 9.4318 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 6.0876 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Carbon Charges - Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) - Facility Carbon Charge	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>

Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable)

0.9416 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery \$0.01 per month

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery \$0.78 per month

- effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

e) Overrun Gas Charge:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any applicable Gas Supply Charge.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption and the pattern of annual use and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
  - d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas of 50,000 m³. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this annual minimum shall be 8.1474 cents per m³ for interruptible gas.
- (1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19. (2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

# **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

# **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

Effective: April 1, 2021

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

# RATE 6 - Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility

#### **Rate Availability**

b)

Rate 6 is available to the Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative, Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility only.

# **Eligibility**

Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative's ("IGPC") ethanol production facility located in the Town of Aylmer

# Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Fixed Monthly Charge<sup>(1)</sup> of \$62,332.06 for firm services

Rate Rider for Deferred Implementation – effective for 3 months ending June 30, 2021	\$1,102.14
Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.75
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$936.83
Carbon Charges - Facility Carbon Charge	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month

Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery

– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

\$0.78 per month

c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

#### **Purchased Gas Transportation Charges**

In addition to the Rates and Charges outlined above, IGPC is responsible for all costs, charges and fees incurred by EPCOR related to gas supplied by Enbridge Gas Inc. to EPCOR's system for IGPC. All actual charges billed to ENGLP by Enbridge Gas Inc. under former Union Gas contract ID SA008936 and SA008937, as amended or replaced from time to time, shall be billed to IGPC by EPCOR when and as billed to EPCOR by Enbridge Gas Inc.

# **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where IGPC elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, IGPC or its agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to IGPC if it elects said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, IGPC, when delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements, must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

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When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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# **SCHEDULE A – Gas Supply Charges**

# **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

# **Eligibility**

All customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

# Rate

The Gas Supply Charge applicable to all sales customers shall be made up of the following charges:

PGCVA Reference Price	(EB-2021-0099)	13.5671 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2021-0099)	0.0558 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
System Gas Fee	(EB-2018-0296)	0.0435 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		13.6664 cents per m <sup>3</sup>

# Note:

PGCVA means Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account GPRA means Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account

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# **RATE BT1 – Bundled Direct Purchase Contract Rate**

#### **Availability**

Rate BT1 is available to all customers or their agent who enter into a Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to EPCOR. The availability of this option is subject to EPCOR obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with Enbridge Gas Inc. and EPCOR's gas supplier for direct purchase volume and DCQ offsets.

# **Eligibility**

All customers electing to purchase gas directly from a supplier other than EPCOR must enter into a Bundled T- Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a mutually acceptable delivery point.

# Rate

For gas delivered to EPCOR at any point other than the Ontario Point of Delivery, EPCOR will charge a customer or

their agent all approved tolls and charges incurred by EPCOR to transport the gas to the Ontario Point of Delivery.

#### Note:

Ontario Point of Delivery means Dawn or Parkway on the Enbridge Gas Inc. (Union South) System as agreed to by EPCOR and EPCOR's customer or their agent.

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# **Transmission Service**

# **Availability**

Transmission Service charges shall be applied to all natural gas producers that sell gas into Enbridge Gas' Union South system via ENGLP's distribution system.

# **Eligibility**

All natural gas producers, transporting gas through ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system shall be charged the Transmission Service Rate and associated Administrative Charge. Rates and Charges will be applied only in those months that a natural gas producer delivers gas to a delivery point on ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system.

# Rate

Administrative Charge \$250/month Transmission Service Rate \$0.95/mcf

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2021

# **Schedule of Miscellaneous and Service Charges**

	A	В
	Service	Fee
1	Service Work	
2	During normal working hours	
3	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$100.00
4	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$100.00
5	Outside normal working hours	
6	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$130.00
7	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$105.00
8		
9	Miscellaneous Charges	
10	Returned Cheque / Payment	\$20.00
11	Replies to a request for account information	\$25.00
12	Bill Reprint / Statement Print Requests	\$20.00
13	Consumption Summary Requests	\$20.00
14	Customer Transfer / Connection Charge	\$35.00
15		
16	Reconnection Charge	\$85.00
17		
18	Inactive Account Charge	ENGLP's cost to install
		service
19		
20	Late Payment Charge	1.5% / month, 19.56% /
		year (effective rate of
		0.04896% compounded
		daily)
21		
22	Meter Tested at Customer Request Found to be	Charge based on actual
	Accurate	costs
23		
24	Installation of Service Lateral	\$100 for the first 20
		meters. Additional if
		pipe length exceeds 20
		meters.

Note: Applicable taxes will be added to the above charges

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# APPENDIX "B" TO

# DECISION AND INTERIM RATE ORDER

# **BOARD FILE No. EB-2021-0099**

# **DATED MARCH XX, 2020**

#### EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

#### Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account

Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Gas Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the Ontario Energy Board Act.

To record monthly as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-27 (PGCVA) the decrease (increase) to reflect the projected changes in gas costs and prospective recovery of the balances of the gas supply deferral accounts approved by the Board for rate making purposes.

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-27 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 623 Cost of Gas

To record as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-28, interest on the balance in Deferral Account

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-28 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense

Simple interest will be computed monthly on the opening balance in the said account in accordance with the methodology approved by the Board in EB-2006-0117.

# APPENDIX "C" TO DECISION AND INTERIM RATE ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2021-0099

DATED MARCH XX, 2020

As ENGLP has four rate filing decisions take effect as of April 1, 2021, a more detailed customer notice has been included with this filing. This includes notification of:

- EB-2020-0234 2021 IRM filing effective date January 1, implementation date April 1
- EB-2020-0076/EB-2020-0231- 2020 and 2021 Federal Carbon Pricing Plan
- EB-2020-0099 April 2021 QRAM (the current application)

**Customer Notice - Version 1** includes annual rate impacts comparing the 2020 IRM filing with the 2021 filing. As the implementation date of EB-2020-0234 was deferred until April 1, 2021 (instead of January 1, 2021), certain rate riders have expired as of January 1, 2021. As the QRAM typically compares the current quarter vs the previous quarter, the annual customer impact of the IRM is overstated using the traditional approach of annualized quarterly comparison.

Further, the notices for the QRAM typically cover only the impacts of the change in commodity pricing, exclusive of temporary adjustments (such as distribution rider riders). This can be demonstrated referring to the notice included in the Q1 2021 QRAM (EB-2020-0296) which only included the change in commodity pricing, it did not show the reduction in distribution revenue due to the rate rider expiry.

Table C-1 - Customer Notice Version 1

IRM (EB-2020-0234)	Dec-20	Apr-21	Variance
Monthly Charge	\$210	\$222	
Delivery Charge	\$238	\$242	
REDA	<mark>\$7</mark>	\$9	
PGTVA	<mark>\$2</mark>	\$6	
ADVADA		\$3	
Sub- Total	\$458	\$481	\$24
FCPP (EB-2020-0076/0231)	Dec-20	Apr-21	
FCC (Federal)	\$104	\$139	
FCC (Facility)	\$0	\$0	
FCCVA	\$0	\$17	
FCCVA		\$0	
GGEADA		\$9	
Sub- Total	\$105	\$166	\$61
QRAM (EB-2021-0099)	Jan-21	Apr-21	
Commodity Charge	\$241	\$243	\$3
Total Adjustment			\$87

ENGLP would prefer to use Version 1 of the Customer Notice as it more accurately reflects the true annual impact of the IRM filing.

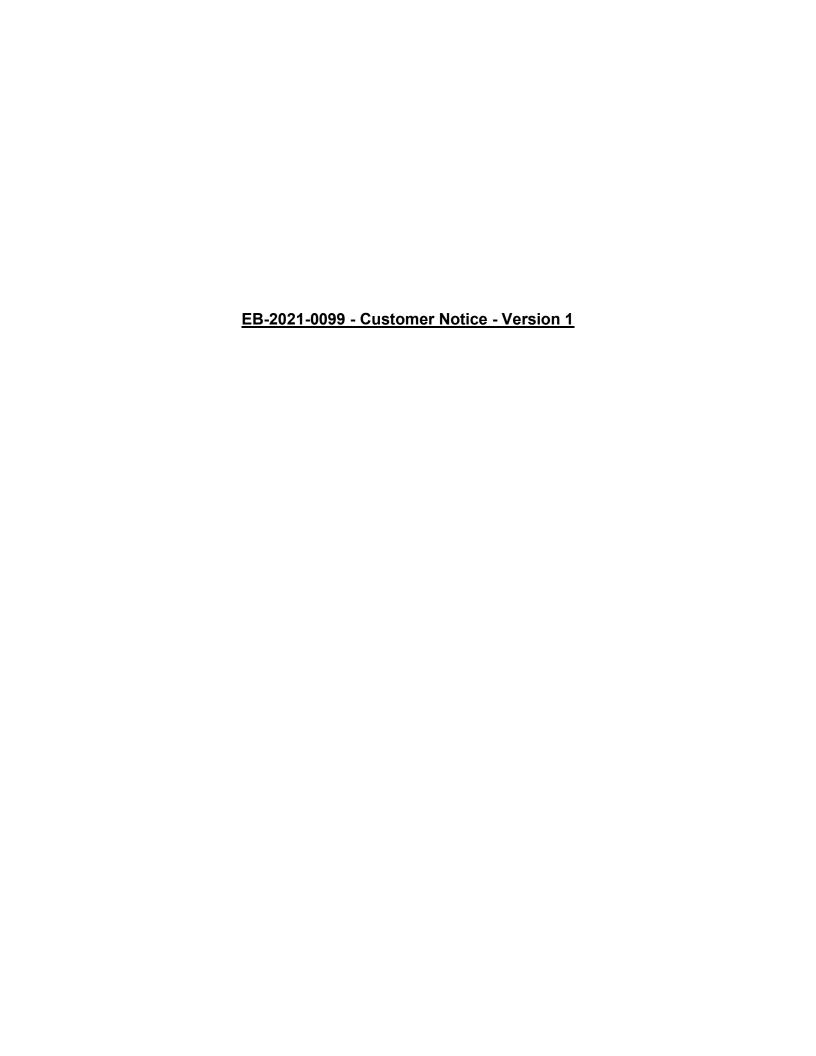
**Customer Notice - Version 2** is presented as requested by Board Staff, which follows the historical QRAM methodology (i.e. comparing March 31, 2021 and April 1, 2021 annualized).

**Table C-2 - Customer Notice Version 2** 

IRM (EB-2020-0234)	Jan-21	Apr-21	Variance
Monthly Charge	\$210	\$222	
Delivery Charge	\$238	\$242	
Deferred Implementation		<mark>\$5</mark>	
REDA		\$9	
PGTVA		\$6	
ADVADA		\$3	
Sub- Total	\$448	\$486	\$38
FCPP (EB-2020-0076/0231)	Dec-20	Apr-21	
FCC (Federal)	\$104	\$139	
FCC (Facility)	\$0	\$0	
FCCVA	\$0	\$17	
FCCVA		\$0	
GGEADA		\$9	
Sub- Total	\$105	\$166	\$61
QRAM (EB-2021-0099)	Jan-21	Apr-21	
Commodity Charge	\$241	\$243	\$3
Total Adjustment			\$101

Variances between Version 1 and Version 2 (IRM only, no QRAM or FCPP variances) have been highlighted in the tables above and include:

- Version 1 includes the 2020 REDA and PGTVA rate riders in the comparison (\$9 variance offset).
- Version 2 includes the rate deferral rate riders ('Deferred Implementation') as well as the 12 month increase in 'Monthly' and 'Delivery' charges. This can be simply confirmed by subtracting the \$222 monthly charge from the \$210 monthly charge resulting in a \$12 increase. By including the deferred implementation, the distribution revenue increase is overstated. (\$5 variance offset)



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAS BILL

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Anticipated annual impact for residential customers (will vary based on usage): \$24

# Federal Carbon Pricing Plan:

In 2019, the Federal government implemented a carbon tax as part of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (GGPPA), This charge recovers costs associated with the GGPPA and reflects your monthly consumption, as well as delivery of natural gas to you and EPCOR's facilities. On April 1, 2021, the carbon charge for natural gas will increase from  $5.87 \, \phi/m3$  to  $7.83 \, \phi/m3$  of natural gas use. In addition, some temporary rate adjustments will be added to your bill from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 to recover specific amounts related to the clearing of balances in certain deferral and variance accounts as approved by the OEB.

Anticipated annual impact for residential customers (will vary based on usage): \$60

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As a regulated utility, EPCOR is permitted to recover what it pays for the purchase of gas plus any costs reasonably associated with this purchase but with no mark up or 'profit'. The price the utility charges you is based on the forecasted gas and transportation costs to EPCOR, which are periodically reviewed by the OEB and reconciled with actual costs. The gas commodity portion gets adjusted regularly throughout the year as the price of the gas commodity changes.

Anticipated annual impact for residential customers (will vary based on usage): \$3

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If you have any questions about the changes in rates or any other item that appears on your bill, please feel free to call our office at 519-773-5321.

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Anticipated annual impact for residential customers (will vary based on usage): \$38

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