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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2020-0067

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

**Application to dispose of balances in certain deferral and variance accounts
related to the delivery of conservation programs in 2017 and 2018**

BEFORE: Michael Janigan
Presiding Commissioner

Cathy Spoel
Commissioner

March 15, 2021

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

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

Enbridge Gas filed an application for the clearance of 2017 and 2018 balances in certain Demand Side Management deferral and variance accounts on July 17, 2020.

The OEB granted Building Owners & Managers Association (BOMA), Canadian Manufacturers & Exports (CME), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO), Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA), London Property Management Association (LPMA), Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers (OGVG) and School Energy Coalition (SEC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On January 28, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Enbridge Gas to raise any objections to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Enbridge Gas.

The OEB received cost claims by the due date from CME, Energy Probe, FRPO, LPMA and SEC. BOMA and OGVG filed their cost claims on March 2, 2021. The OEB accepts BOMA and OGVG's cost claims notwithstanding the late filing. On February 17, 2021, IGUA filed a letter stating that it would not file a cost claim. On March 4, 2021 and March 10, 2021, Enbridge Gas filed a letter stating that it had no objections to the cost claims received from BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, FRPO, LPMA, OGVG and SEC.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, FRPO, LPMA, OGVG and SEC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Enbridge Gas.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge Gas Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:
 - Building Owners & Managers Association \$1,114.18
 - Canadian Manufacturers & Exports \$2,478.09

• Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$4,925.63
• Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario	\$3,356.10
• London Property Management Association	\$3,057.78
• Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers	\$1,146.95
• School Energy Coalition	\$7,905.48

DATED at Toronto March 15, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Christine E. Long
Registrar