

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2020-0198

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for leave to construct a natural gas pipeline and associated facilities in the City of Toronto

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed

Presiding Commissioner

Robert DoddsCommissioner

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 applied to the OEB under sections 90 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 (OEB Act), for an order granting leave to construct approximately 1.9 kilometres of 20-inch diameter and approximately eight metres of 24-inch diameter natural gas pipeline and ancillary facilities (Proposed Pipeline) in the City of Toronto (Application).

The OEB granted Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), Environmental Defence Canada Inc. (ED), Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO), Pollution Probe and School Energy Coalition (SEC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 19, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision and Order on Enbridge Gas' application withdrawal request 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 from Energy Probe, ED, FRPO, Pollution Probe and SEC. On March 18, 2021, Enbridge Gas filed a letter stating that it had no objections to the cost claims received from Energy Probe, ED, FRPO, Pollution Probe 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 Energy Probe, ED, FRPO, Pollution Probe 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:

•	Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$7,385.78
•	Environmental Defence Canada Inc.	\$4,755.04
•	Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario	\$12,305.70
•	Pollution Probe	\$12,026.03
•	School Energy Coalition	\$26,164.02

DATED at Toronto March 18, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar