

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS EB-2020-0065

## **ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**

Application for leave to construct a natural gas pipeline and associated facilities in the Township of North Dumfries within the Regional Municipality of Waterloo

By Delegation, before: Pascale Duguay

May 3, 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 applied to the OEB on November 9, 2020 under sections 90 and 97 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, for an order granting leave to construct approximately 2.0 kilometres of natural gas pipeline and associated facilities in the Township of North Dumfries within the Regional Municipality of Waterloo. Enbridge Gas also applied to the OEB for approval of the form of land-use agreements it offers to landowners for the routing and construction of the project.

The OEB granted Environmental Defence and Pollution Probe intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 5, 2021, the OEB issued its Notice of Discontinuance and Cost Awards Process 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 Environmental Defence and Pollution Probe. On April 29, 2021, Enbridge Gas filed a letter indicating that it had no objections to the cost claims.

#### **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 Environmental Defence and Pollution Probe 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:

• Environmental Defence \$1,244.13

• Pollution Probe \$5,034.15

**DATED** at Toronto May 3, 2021

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Christine E. Long Registrar