

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2021-0070

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for quarterly rate adjustment mechanism commencing April 1, 2021

By Delegation, before: Pascale Duguay

May 3, 2021

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Enbridge Gas Inc. filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) dated March 12, 2021, for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of natural gas effective April 1, 2021, in the Enbridge Gas Distribution, Union South, Union North East and Union North West rate zones¹.

The Decision and Interim Rate Order was issued on March 25, 2021. Among other things, the Decision and Rate Order directed eligible parties to file their cost claims with the OEB and Enbridge Gas no later than April 16, 2021. Enbridge Gas had until April 23, 2021 to object to any aspect of the costs claimed. Any responses to Enbridge Gas' concerns were to be filed with the OEB and Enbridge Gas by April 30, 2021.

The Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME) and the Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA) filed cost claims with the OEB and copied Enbridge Gas. On April 23, 2021, Enbridge Gas filed a letter stating that it had no objections to the cost claims.

OEB 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 CME and IGUA are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Enbridge Gas.

¹ Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (EGD) and Union Gas Limited (Union) amalgamated effective January 1, 2019 to become Enbridge Gas Inc. As of this application, Enbridge Gas Inc. has continued to maintain the existing rates zones of EGD and Union (i.e., EGD, Union North West, Union North East and Union South)

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge Gas Inc. shall pay:
 - Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters
 \$826.03
 - Industrial Gas Users Association
 \$2,019.31

DATED at Toronto May 3, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar