

VIA E-MAIL

June 3, 2021

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: OEB Registrar
P.O. Box 2319
27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2021-0002 – EGI 2022-27 DSM Framework and Plan

REQUEST & SUPPORT

We are writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. (“EGI”) dated May 19th in the matter of the EGI’s 2022-27 DSM Framework and Plan Application.

FRPO is Ontario’s leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members believe strongly that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board with these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

ISSUES

EGI has submitted an application under Section 36(1) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, for order or orders approving the DSM application and associated costs starting January 1, 2022. The rate impacts from these proposed changes affect FRPO members. As such, FRPO respectfully requests involvement in all aspects of the proceeding.

As expressed by other stakeholders, FRPO is concerned with proposed approach by EGI given the limited time frame between application and stated required dates for approval. In our view, the proposed expedited process is not aligned with providing the Board with understanding commensurate with determining if the investment of almost \$1B of ratepayer funds is in the public interest. As opposed to re-iterating our version of this concern, we support and adopt the submissions of SEC which provide more detailed rationale and alternative considerations.

REPRESENTATION

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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