

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS EB-2020-0181

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for natural gas distribution rates and other charges effective January 1, 2021

BEFORE: Allison Duff

Presiding Commissioner

Lynne AndersonChief Commissioner

Anthony Zlahtic Commissioner

June 30, 2021

OVERVIEW

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

Enbridge Gas filed an application with the OEB seeking approval for unit rates related to its 2021 Incremental Capital Module funding request.

The OEB granted the following parties intervenor status and cost award eligibility:

- Association of Power Producers of Ontario (APPrO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- Environmental Defence
- Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO)
- Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA)
- London Property Management Association (LPMA)
- Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers (OGVG)
- Pollution Probe
- Quinte Manufacturers Association (QMA)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

On May 6, 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 from APPrO, BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, Environmental Defence, FRPO, IGUA, LPMA, OGVG, Pollution Probe, QMA, SEC and VECC. On June 21, 2021, Enbridge Gas stated 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 to participate in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of APPrO, BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, Environmental Defence, FRPO, IGUA, LPMA, OGVG, Pollution Probe, QMA, SEC and VECC 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:

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•	Association of Power Producers of Ontario	\$4,653.34
•	Building Owners and Managers Association	\$7,963.11
•	Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters	\$3,496.22
•	Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$11,778.90
•	Environmental Defence	\$4,868.04
•	Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario	\$21,814.65
•	Industrial Gas Users Association	\$4,199.08
•	London Property Management Association	\$7,085.10
•	Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers	\$3,866.86
•	Pollution Probe	\$13,704.08
•	Quinte Manufacturers Association	\$3,757.25
•	School Energy Coalition	\$20,264.29
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$11,490.57

DATED at Toronto June 30, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar