

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S. O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B, as amended;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** Enbridge Gas Inc.'s Request for Approval of Multi-Year Natural Gas Demand Side Management Plan (2022 to 2027)

**REPLY SUBMISSION OF  
THE LOW-INCOME ENERGY NETWORK (“LIEN”)**

July 19, 2021

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1 Pursuant to Procedural Order #2, Enbridge Gas, Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) staff and intervenors may file any additional comments on the Draft Issues List, in reply to the submissions of other parties. LIEN’s reply submissions are set out below.

**I. LIEN’S REPLY SUBMISSIONS**

2 LIEN disagrees with Enbridge’s submission to separate and remove the consideration of cost recovery from issue 5 and deal with it as a preliminary matter. LIEN disagrees that cost recovery is a preliminary issue; rather, it is a significant change to the 2022-2027 DSM framework. Major changes to the framework should be made after consideration of all the evidence.

3 For clarity, LIEN continues to support the OEB Staff’s Issues List, as set out in Procedural Order #2, with LIEN’s suggested amendments and comments in its submissions dated July 12, 2021.

4 In addition, LIEN agrees with the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) that the OEB and ratepayers would benefit from an issue designed to address changes to eligibility criteria specifically for Low Income programs. Specifically, LIEN agrees with FRPO that the following issue should be added to the Issues List, for the same reasons as FRPO sets out in its submission:

- (a) “Are Enbridge Gas’s proposed eligibility criteria for low-income participants appropriate?”

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