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July 29, 2021

Christine E. Long Registrar and Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, P.O. Box 2319 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long

RE: EB-2021-0147 Enbridge Gas Inc. 2022 Rates Phase 1 Application Energy Probe Intervenor and Cost Eligibility Request Letter

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) hereby applies for intervenor status and cost eligibility in the EB-2021-0147 proceeding, Phase 1 of the application by Enbridge Gas Inc. to the Ontario Energy Board for the approval of its 2022 rates.

### **Statement of Interest**

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. It will be representing its many individual customer supporters. Energy Probe argues for equitable rates that optimize results for all ratepayers by eliminating cross subsidies between ratepayer classes and between generations of ratepayers. It promotes sustainable resource use through individual responsibility and accountability. More information about Energy Probe can be found on the OEB website.

 $\underline{https://www.oeb.ca/industry/applications-oeb/intervenor-information/annual-filings-frequent-intervenors}$ 

Energy Probe's interest in this proceeding is the impact on customers of the 2022 rates proposed by Enbridge Gas in Phase 1. Energy Probe will focus on the application of the rate escalation formula including all input parameters, the average use forecast, lost revenue adjustment mechanism, the demand side management costs, the Parkway Delivery Obligation. and the reasons for the difference in rate increases between EGD and Union Rate Zones.

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# Hearing

Energy Probe hopes that all issues can be resolved through settlement negotiations and that a hearing will not be necessary. However, if a hearing is required, Energy Probe plans to be an active participant in the hearing, whether it is in an oral or written form.

### Costs

Energy Probe is a non-profit organization which relies on individual donations to help protect the public interest. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Energy Probe's ability to participate in proceedings would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this proceeding, and expects to intervene responsibly, cognizant of the Board's guidelines regarding cost awards.

## **Communications**

Communications relating to this Intervenor and Cost Eligibility Request Letter and all documents filed with the Board by the applicant and required by Energy Probe, should be directed to consultants:

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of Energy Probe.

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