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# **DECISION AND RATE ORDER**

**EB-2021-0235**

## **EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP- AYLMER**

**Application for quarterly rate adjustment mechanism commencing  
October 1, 2021**

**Before: Allison Duff**  
Presiding Commissioner

**Lynne Anderson**  
Chief Commissioner

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**September 23, 2021**

## INTRODUCTION AND PROCESS

This is a decision by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on an application filed by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP) on September 13, 2021. ENGLP applied for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale and distribution of natural gas commencing October 1, 2021 for its Aylmer service territory (the Application).

The Application was made pursuant to section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and in accordance with the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (QRAM) established by the OEB for dealing with changes in gas costs.<sup>1</sup>

ENGLP provided written evidence in support of the proposed changes. ENGLP provided the Application to all parties of record in ENGLP Aylmer's last rates proceeding.<sup>2</sup>

Parties wishing to file comments on the Application were required to file them with the OEB by September 20, 2021. No comments were received.

The Application for the Aylmer service territory reflects an increase in the forecast cost of natural gas prices over the next 12 months. The Application also reflects a true-up between actual and forecast natural gas prices for prior periods.

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2008-0106

<sup>2</sup> EB-2018-0336

## OEB FINDINGS

The OEB approves the Application as filed.

ENGLP's Aylmer service territory rates will be adjusted effective October 1, 2021 to reflect an increase in forecast natural gas prices and prospective recovery of the projected 12-month balances of the gas supply deferral accounts for the period ending September 2022. The reference price will also be adjusted to reflect the increase in forecast natural gas prices.

The OEB finds that this QRAM application strikes a balance between ensuring that consumers receive appropriate market price signals, and protecting the interest of consumers that purchase their gas from ENGLP by reducing, to some extent, the volatility in the market price of natural gas. Specifically, the approved natural gas commodity rates to be charged by ENGLP incorporate:

- A market price forecast for the commodity over the next 12 months
- A true-up between actual and forecast commodity prices for prior periods as actual costs are passed on to customers without a mark-up. By design, the QRAM includes smoothing of price volatility by spreading this difference over a 12-month period.

The bill impact of this Application for a typical residential customer who uses 1,780 cubic metres of natural gas per year and who purchases its gas supply from ENGLP is an increase of approximately \$49 per year or about 7%.

ENGLP included its customer communication plan with the Application. The OEB has no concerns with the communication planned. Provided customers are made aware of the rate increase, the OEB concludes that it is unnecessary for it to approve the detailed wording of that communications messaging.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The rates approved for ENGLP Aylmer as part of the decision and rate order EB-2021-0179, dated June 24, 2021, shall be superseded by the rates as provided in Appendix A to this Decision and Rate Order.
2. The rates approved shall be effective October 1, 2021 and shall be implemented in ENGLP's first billing cycle commencing in October 2021.
3. The reference price for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchase Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account No.179-27) shall increase by \$0.038301 per m<sup>3</sup> from the previous OEB approved level of \$0.130605 per m<sup>3</sup> to **\$0.168906** per m<sup>3</sup> as shown in Appendix A, Schedule A to this Decision and Rate Order.
4. The balance in the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account shall be prospectively cleared. The resulting gas supply charge will increase from the previous OEB approved level of \$0.133057 per m<sup>3</sup> to **\$0.160543** per m<sup>3</sup> as indicated in Appendix A, Schedule A to this Decision and Rate Order.
5. ENGLP must ensure its customers are made aware of the rate increase.
6. ENGLP shall pay the OEB's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

**ISSUED** at Toronto, September 23, 2021

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed by*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar

**APPENDIX A TO  
DECISION AND RATE ORDER  
OEB FILE NO. EB-2021-0235  
DATED: September 23, 2021**

## RATE 1 - General Service Rate

### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the Company.

### Eligibility

A customer that requires delivery of natural gas to any residential building served through one meter and containing no more than three dwelling units.

### Rate

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$18.50
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78
b)	Delivery Charge	
	First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	13.5701 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	10.9063 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>	
	- Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	- Facility Carbon Charge	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month
	Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery - effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month
d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A

(1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

(2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### Meter Readings

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

**Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

**Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 1, 2021

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## RATE 2 - Seasonal Service

### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the company.

### Eligibility

All customers.

### Rate

For all gas consumed from:	April 1 - Oct 31	Nov 1- Mar 31
a) Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$21.00	\$21.00
Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78	\$0.78
b) Delivery Charge		
First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	17.0841 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	21.5342 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Next 24,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	8.8749 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	14.6901 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
All over 25,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	6.9188 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	15.5875 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>		
- Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
- Facility Carbon Charge	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month	\$0.01 per month
Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month	\$0.78 per month
d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)		Schedule A

(1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

(2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### Meter Readings

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.



**Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

**Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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### RATE 3 - Special Large Volume Contract Rate

#### Rate Availability

Entire service area of the company.

#### Eligibility

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a combined daily contracted demand for firm and interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 113,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

- a) A Monthly Customer Charge <sup>(1)</sup>:

A Monthly Customer Charge of \$201.00 for firm or interruptible customers; or  
A Monthly Customer Charge of \$223.00 for combined (firm and interruptible) customers.

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery \$0.78  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

- b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 29.6806 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand

- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:

(i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 3.9173 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,  
(ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 10.7010 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 7.7527 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery 0.3113 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery 0.1508 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

- d) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>

- Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) 7.8300 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
- Facility Carbon Charge 0.0052 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) 0.9416 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery \$0.01 per month  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery \$0.78 per month  
– effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022

- e) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

- f) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 3 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year, including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:

- a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
- b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
- c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
- d) Competition.

3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.1530 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for firm gas and 5.4412 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the customer during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.7163 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply commodity charge as set out in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.

(1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

(2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

**Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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## **RATE 4 - General Service Peaking**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers whose operations, in the judgment of EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, can readily accept interruption and restoration of gas service with 24 hours' notice.

### **Rate**

For all gas consumed from:	April 1 through December 31:	January 1 through March 31:
a) Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$21.00	\$21.00
Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78	\$0.78
b) Delivery Charge		
First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	18.9314 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	24.1513 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	11.6156 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	18.6627 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>		
- Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
- Facility Carbon Charge	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable) – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month	\$0.01 per month
Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month	\$0.78 per month
d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)		Schedule A

(1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

(2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### **Meter Readings**

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

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**Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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## **RATE 5 - Interruptible Peaking Contract Rate**

### **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a daily contracted demand for interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

### **Rate**

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

- |    |   |                                 |
|----|---|---------------------------------|
| a) | Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>   | \$191.00                        |
|    | Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  | \$0.78                          |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
| b) | A Monthly Delivery Charge:  |                                 |
|    | A Monthly Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 9.4318 cents per m <sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 6.0876 per m <sup>3</sup> . |                                 |
|    | Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery   | 0.3113 cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
|    | Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  | 0.1508 cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
| c) | Carbon Charges  |                                 |
|    | - Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)   | 7.8300 cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
|    | - Facility Carbon Charge  | 0.0052 cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
|    | Rate Rider for FCCCVA recovery (if applicable)  | 0.9416 cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
|    | Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery  | \$0.01 per month                |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
|    | Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery  | \$0.78 per month                |
|    | – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022   |                                 |
| d) | Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)  | Schedule A                      |
| e) | Overrun Gas Charge:   |                                 |

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any applicable Gas Supply Charge.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c) above, the matters to be considered include:

- a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
- b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption and the pattern of annual use and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
- c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
- d) Competition.

3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas of 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this annual minimum shall be 8.1474 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

(1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

(2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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## **RATE 6 – Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility**

### **Rate Availability**

Rate 6 is available to the Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative, Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility only.

### **Eligibility**

Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative's ("IGPC") ethanol production facility located in the Town of Aylmer

### **Rate**

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Fixed Monthly Charge<sup>(1)</sup> of \$62,332.06 for firm services  

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.75
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$936.83
  - b) Carbon Charges  
- Facility Carbon Charge 0.0052 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  

Rate Rider for FCCFVA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.01 per month
Rate Rider for GGEADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending March 31, 2022	\$0.78 per month
  - c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

### **Purchased Gas Transportation Charges**

In addition to the Rates and Charges outlined above, IGPC is responsible for all costs, charges and fees incurred by EPCOR related to gas supplied by Enbridge Gas Inc. to EPCOR's system for IGPC. All actual charges billed to ENGLP by Enbridge Gas Inc. under former Union Gas contract ID SA008936 and SA008937, as amended or replaced from time to time, shall be billed to IGPC by EPCOR when and as billed to EPCOR by Enbridge Gas Inc.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where IGPC elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, IGPC or its agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to IGPC if it elects said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, IGPC, when delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements, must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

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## SCHEDULE A – Gas Supply Charges

### Rate Availability

Entire service area of the company.

### Eligibility

All customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

### Rate

The Gas Supply Charge applicable to all sales customers shall be made up of the following charges:

PGCVA Reference Price	(EB-2021-0235)	16.8906 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2021-0235)	(0.8798) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
System Gas Fee	(EB-2018-0296)	<u>0.0435</u> cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		<u>16.0543</u> cents per m <sup>3</sup>

Note:

PGCVA means Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account

GPRA means Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account

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## **RATE BT1 – Bundled Direct Purchase Contract Rate**

### **Availability**

Rate BT1 is available to all customers or their agent who enter into a Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to EPCOR. The availability of this option is subject to EPCOR obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with Enbridge Gas Inc. and EPCOR's gas supplier for direct purchase volume and DCQ offsets.

### **Eligibility**

All customers electing to purchase gas directly from a supplier other than EPCOR must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a mutually acceptable delivery point.

### **Rate**

For gas delivered to EPCOR at any point other than the Ontario Point of Delivery, EPCOR will charge a customer or their agent all approved tolls and charges incurred by EPCOR to transport the gas to the Ontario Point of Delivery.

### **Note:**

Ontario Point of Delivery means Dawn or Parkway on the Enbridge Gas Inc. (Union South) System as agreed to by EPCOR and EPCOR's customer or their agent.

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**Transmission Service**

**Availability**

Transmission Service charges shall be applied to all natural gas producers that sell gas into Enbridge Gas' Union South system via ENGLP's distribution system.

**Eligibility**

All natural gas producers, transporting gas through ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system shall be charged the Transmission Service Rate and associated Administrative Charge. Rates and Charges will be applied only in those months that a natural gas producer delivers gas to a delivery point on ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system.

**Rate**

Administrative Charge	\$250/month
Transmission Service Rate	\$0.95/mcf

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