

February 18, 2022

## Sent by EMAIL, RESS e-filing

Ms. Nancy Marconi Acting Registrar Ontario Energy Board 27-2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: Consultation to Consider the Price Paid by Rate-Regulated Natural Gas Distributors for Natural Gas Produced in Ontario.

Ontario Energy Board: EB-2022-0094

Notice of Intervention by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

Please find enclosed a notice of intervention, filed on behalf of EPCOR in the above-noted matter.

Sincerely,

Tim Hesselink

Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs

**EPCOR Utilities Inc.** 

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## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Ontario Energy Board's proceeding on its own motion to consider the price paid by rate-regulated natural gas distributors (Distributors) for natural gas produced in Ontario;

## APPLICATION FOR INTERVENOR STATUS FOR EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

- 1. EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP) hereby applies for Intervenor Status in the above-noted proceeding. ENGLP is a subsidiary of the parent company, EPCOR Utilities Inc.
- 2. The EPCOR family of companies own and operate electrical, natural gas and water transmission and distribution networks, water and wastewater transportation facilities, sanitary and stormwater systems, and infrastructure in Canada and the United States.
- 3. In Ontario, ENGLP owns and operates a natural gas distribution system in and around Aylmer and is constructing a natural gas distribution system to connect and serve certain municipalities in the South Bruce area. In order to serve its distribution customers, ENGLP takes service from Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge") and holds several contracts with Enbridge for the transportation, delivery and sale of natural gas as well as from local supply sources. Local supply made up approximate 37% of total system gas demand in the 2020-2021 gas year.
- 4. The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is initiating a consultation to consider the price paid by rate-regulated natural gas distributors (Distributors) for natural gas produced in Ontario. The price that Distributors currently pay Ontario producers for natural gas is ultimately passed on to their system gas customers through the OEB's Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (QRAM) rate process. The OEB encourages participation in this consultation process by all interested parties.
- 5. ENGLP has an interest in the issues that will be raised in this proceeding, including without limitation: procurement and supply of natural gas for distribution customers including pricing and contract considerations and cost recovery.
- 6. ENGLP intends to participate in all aspects of the consultation.
- 7. ENGLP will not be seeking an award of costs in this proceeding.
- 8. ENGLP has electronic copies of the filed materials and does not require hard copies.

9. Correspondence relating to this intervention should be directed to:

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DATED this 18th day of February, 2022

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EPCOR Utilities Inc.

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