



**Enbridge Gas Inc.**

**Application for the disposition of 2020 Demand Side  
Management Deferral and Variance Accounts**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1  
February 25, 2022**

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on January 14, 2022, under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval to clear 2020 deferral and variance account balances in three Demand Side Management (DSM) deferral and variance accounts, related to the delivery of natural gas conservation and energy efficiency programs.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on January 31, 2022. Each of Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA), Pollution Probe, School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Small Business Utility Alliance (SBUA) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility.

No objections were received from Enbridge Gas.

CME, Energy Probe, IGUA, Pollution Probe, SEC and SBUA are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. CME, Energy Probe, IGUA, Pollution Probe, SEC and SBUA are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#). The OEB intends to consider cost awards only in relation to the review of the 2020 Demand Side Management Variance Account balances and the allocation of any disposed amounts for all three deferral and variance accounts.

The OEB notes that several intervenors have a common interest in that they all wish to verify the accuracy and reasonableness of the deferral and variance account balances. Intervenors with common interests should coordinate their participation to avoid duplication of effort and should review OEB staff's interrogatories and submissions prior to filing their respective interrogatories and submissions. In making its decision on cost awards the OEB will consider whether cost eligible intervenors made reasonable efforts

to focus their participation on issues that are within the scope of the OEB's review and whether intervenors made reasonable efforts to avoid duplication by coordinating their participation on common issues.

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed. Cost awards are made by way of OEB order at the end of a hearing.

With respect to the scope of this proceeding, the OEB will not consider any issues related to future DSM programs or plans as they are being addressed as part of Enbridge Gas's application for Multi-Year Natural Gas Demand Side Management Plan 2022 to 2027, EB-2021-0002. The OEB will not consider any matters related to the 2015-2020 DSM Guidelines that are not directly related to the determination of the disposition and allocation of the 2020 account balances. The OEB also notes that the balances in the DSM Incentive Deferral Account and the LRAM Variance Account have been reviewed by the Evaluation Contractor as part of OEB-coordinated evaluation, measurement and verification process and as such, the OEB expects its review of these accounts to be a mechanistic process.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Enbridge Gas that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Enbridge Gas and intervenors by **March 10, 2022**.
2. Intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Enbridge Gas that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Enbridge Gas and the other intervenors by **March 17, 2022**.
3. Enbridge Gas shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on intervenors by **March 29, 2022**.
4. Any written submissions by OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on Enbridge Gas and intervenors by **April 8, 2022**.

5. Any written submissions by intervenors shall be filed with the OEB and served on Enbridge Gas and the other intervenors by **April 13, 2022**.
6. If Enbridge Gas wishes to file a reply submission, it shall file its written reply submission with the OEB and serve it on intervenors by **April 22, 2022**.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2022-0007**, for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at the [File documents online page](#) on the OEB's website.
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet [set up an account](#), or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca) for assistance
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business day, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Michael Bell at [Michael.Bell@oeb.ca](mailto:Michael.Bell@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at [Michael.Millar@oeb.ca](mailto:Michael.Millar@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **February 25, 2022**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi**

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar

**SCHEDULE A**  
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