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Dear Ms Marconi:

**EB-2022-0072 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – 2022 Update to 5 Year Gas Supply Plan – Questions**

Please find, attached, questions on behalf of the Consumers Council of Canada for Enbridge Gas Inc. on its 2022 Update to its Gas Supply Plan.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Yours truly,

**Julie E. Girvan**

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CC: All parties

## **QUESTIONS FOR ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**

### **FROM THE CONSUMERS COUNCIL OF CANADA**

#### **RE: EB-2022-0072 – 2022 ANNUAL UPDATE TO EGI'S 5 YEAR GAS SUPPLY PLAN**

##### **CCC-1**

###### **Re: p. 8**

The Plan Update states that if EGI were to align weather and design day demand methodologies to a set temperature approach, EGI estimates that additional design day gas supply services would be required in the range of 100-150 Tj/d, or approximately 2.5-3.7%, for the EGD delivery areas. To meet the potential increase in demand in the EGD rate zone, EGI will be required to contract for incremental gas supply options available at that time, including form transportation and/or utilization of a third-party peaking service.

1. Please explain how aligning weather and design day demand methodologies will increase demand for the EGI rate zones;
2. What is the annual expected increase in cost expected from this change;
3. How does this benefit customers in the EGI rate zones?
4. Will this increased cost be spread across all rate zones (EGD and Union)? If not why not?

##### **CCC-2**

###### **Re: p. 18**

The Plan Update states that in Ontario, gas use will increase at an average annual growth rate of 1.2% per year from 2021 through 2045. Demand from the residential and commercial sectors will experience annual modest growth of 1.47% and .97% respectively over the next two decades. What was the actual growth rate for 2021? To what extent have EGI's proposed DSM programs been incorporated into this forecast?

##### **CCC-3**

###### **Re: p. 36**

Please explain why there has been a relatively small take-up of the Voluntary RNG program. Does EGI consider the pilot to be successful? If not, how long does EGI intend to continue with the program?

##### **CCC-4**

###### **Re: p. 41**

The amount of cost-based storage reserved for EGD rate zone customers is 99.4 PJ and 100 PJ are reserved for Union rate zone customers. This was confirmed by the OEB in the MADDs Decision. Does EGI intend to revisit issues regarding cost-based storage in its upcoming

rebasing decision? If not, why not, given the original NGEIR. Decision, where the amounts were determined was in 2006.