

EB-2021-0002

Enbridge Gas Inc.

Application for Multi-Year Natural Gas Demand Side Management Plan (2022 to 2027)

DECISION ON CONFIDENTIALITY

April 21, 2022

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for approval of a new natural gas demand side management (DSM) policy framework, effective January 1, 2022, as well as approval of a new multi-year DSM plan, inclusive of budgets, programs and targets from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2027.

The OEB held an oral hearing from March 28 to April 1, 2022. On April 19, 2022, consistent with Procedural Order No. 6, Enbridge Gas filed responses to undertakings from the oral hearing. As part of its responses, Enbridge Gas redacted certain information. Enbridge Gas has requested confidential treatment of certain information included in undertaking J1.1 which includes correspondence between staff from Enbridge Gas and National Grid related to participation data in National Grid's residential DSM program.¹

The redacted information contains the name and contact information of an individual at National Grid. Enbridge Gas submitted that the name of the individual is not relevant. Rather, the only relevant information is that Enbridge Gas sourced the National Grid participant value directly from National Grid. Enbridge Gas requested confidential treatment of the redacted information based on Section 11 of the OEB's *Practice and Direction on Confidential Filings*.

Findings

The OEB denies the request for confidential treatment. The name and credentials of the person preparing the evidence provided in the undertaking response is relevant to the provenance of the evidence. Furthermore, the redacted information does not constitute personal information as defined under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of*

¹ EB-2021-0002, <u>Oral Hearing Undertakings List</u>, April 4, 2022

Privacy Act. Enbridge Gas is directed to file an unredacted copy of the undertaking response that will be placed on the public record.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Enbridge Gas Inc. shall, in accordance with the findings above, file an unredacted copy of undertaking J1.1 by **April 25, 2022**.

DATED at Toronto April 21, 2022

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi Registrar