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Nancy Marconi
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Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Ontario Energy Board (OEB) Staff Submission on Draft Rate Order
Enbridge Gas Inc.
2020 Demand Side Management Deferral and Variance Account Disposition
Application
OEB File Number: EB-2022-0007**

In accordance with the Decision and Order dated May 5, 2022, please find attached OEB staff's submission on the draft Rate Order in the above noted proceeding.

Yours truly,

Michael Bell
Senior Advisor, Application Policy & Conservation

Encl.

cc: All parties in EB-2022-0007



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OEB Staff Submission on Draft Rate Order

Enbridge Gas Inc.

**2020 Demand Side Management Deferral and Variance Account
Disposition Application**

EB-2022-0007

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Background

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 amounts recorded in certain 2020 deferral and variance accounts related to its delivery of natural gas conservation and energy efficiency programs.

On May 5, 2022, the OEB issued its Decision and Order on the application approving lost revenue, shareholder incentive and DSM program related amounts.

In response to the OEB's Decision and Order, Enbridge Gas filed a draft Rate Order on May 16, 2022. The draft Rate Order outlines the proposed disposition of approved amounts and interest in Enbridge Gas's EGD rate zone and Union rate zones.

Draft Rate Order

The draft Rate Order reflects a one-time billing adjustment for all Enbridge Gas customers. The billing adjustment will be derived for each customer individually by applying the disposition unit rates to each customer's actual consumption volume for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 for both EGD rate zone and Union rate zone customers.¹

The draft rate order reflects total 2020 DSM deferral and variance account balances of \$5.618 million credit, plus interest of \$0.100 million, for total disposition of \$5.718 million effective July 1, 2022. Of the total balance, \$0.343 million debit is applicable to the EGD rate zone and \$6.061 million credit is applicable to the Union rate zones.²

OEB Staff Submission

OEB staff submits that Enbridge Gas's draft Rate Order for the EGD rate zone and Union rate zones are consistent with the OEB's Decision and Order. Enbridge Gas used the amounts approved for disposition, including interest, and allocated these amounts in accordance to the Decision and Order, for disposition effective July 1, 2022.

OEB staff submits that the allocation between rate classes, and the resulting one-time billing adjustment amounts, are appropriate and consistent with the application and Decision and Order.

- All of which is respectfully submitted -

¹ Enbridge Gas Draft Rate Order, May 16, 2022.

² Enbridge Gas Draft Rate Order, May 16, 2022.