May 30, 2022

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Nancy Marconi Registrar Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Nancy Marconi:

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) Ontario Energy Board File No.: EB-2022-0007 2020 Demand Side Management (DSM) Deferral and Variance Account **Disposition Application**

In accordance with the OEB's Decision and Order dated May 5, 2022, Enbridge Gas has reviewed the cost claims received from the following:

- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA)
- Pollution Probe
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)

The Company has reviewed the claims as listed above and has no objection with the exception of the following noted below.

Enbridge Gas notes that in the Decision and Order of the 2019 DSM Deferral and variance Account Disposition the OEB noted the following:

The OEB selected the EC and determined the scope of the review with input from the OEB's Evaluation Advisory Committee. At this juncture, the OEB will not require an audit of Enbridge Gas's DSMVA balances as part of the EC's scope of work. Adding an audit function to the EC's scope of work would best be raised in the evaluation, measurement, and verification process which includes OEB staff and the involvement of certain intervenors prior to a clearance application. Alternatively, as SEC suggested in its submission, the subject of an independent review of DSMVA balances should be dealt with as part of the next DSM Plan and Framework.¹

Despite this Decision by the OEB, Pollution Probe raised the same issue again in its Reply submission in this proceeding and again the OEB ruled the following its Decision:

¹ EB-2021-0072, Decision and Order (June 24, 2021), page 6.

The OEB selected the EC and determined the scope of the review with input from the OEB's Evaluation Advisory Committee. At this juncture, the OEB will not require an audit of Enbridge Gas's DSMVA balances as part of the EC's scope of work. Adding an audit function to the EC's scope of work is best considered in the evaluation, measurement, and verification process which includes OEB staff and the involvement of certain intervenors prior to a clearance application.²

The Company urges the OEB to consider the value of a party raising an issue that the OEB has already made a Decision on and submitting a cost claim for it.

The Company awaits the recommendations and/or cost awards of the OEB with respect to these cost claims.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Asha Patel Technical Manager, Regulatory Applications

cc.: CME, Energy Probe, IGUA, Pollution Probe, and SEC – Via Email

 $^{^{\}rm 2}$ EB-2022-0007, Decision and Order (May 5, 2022), page 6.