EB-2021-0246: 1: Mariana Du Brul

SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE **CLAIM STATUS COST CLAIM NUMBER** 

July 21, 2022 Approved by Finance 529

EB# OTHER EB#S PHASE #\*

EB-2021-0246: Initiatives: Policy Dev,

Infrastructure and Supply: Ontario Energy Board

INTERVENOR COMPANY\* **INTERVENOR** 

INTERVENOR TYPE Energy Futures Group, Hinesburg: Du Brul, Mariana; +1 (802) 482-4940

Tax Exempt Corporation finance@energyfuturesgroup.com

HST RATE ONTARIO **EXCHANGE RATE** COUNTRY

0.00 US

LATE SUBMISSION ALLOWED EXTENSION DEADLINE DATE HST NUMBER

**PARTICIPANTS** 

Participant Total (\$) Claim Status Non-Filing Participant First, Last Name **Filing Participant** 

No Neme, Chris; +1 (802) 482-5001 x.1 6.435.00 Submitted

cneme@energyfuturesgroup.com

**ATTACHMENTS** 

Claim **Attachment Document Import** Date Type Type Message **Attachment Participant** 

EFG EB-2021-0246 Cost Claim 070720221037.pdf

TOTAL LEGAL/CONSULTANT/OTHER FEES TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS TOTAL HST 0.00

6,435.00 0.00

TOTAL CLAIM TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED 6,435.00

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### SUBMIT SECTION

I am a representative of the Party. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim. The costs incurred and time spent are directly related to the Party's participation in the OEB Process referred to above.

This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in section 6.05 and 6.09 of the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The information (fees and disbursements) filed in this cost claim is complete and accurate and in accordance with the OEB's Practice Direction for Cost Awards and Appendix A, the Cost Awards Tariff.

DATE SUBMITTED SUBMITTED BY Chris Neme July 07, 2022

## **Chris Neme**

CASE **COST CLAIM** 

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Submitted

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**PARTICIPANT** No

**PARTICIPANT F. NAME** 

PARTICIPANT L. NAME

**SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE** YEAR CALLED TO BAR **COMPLETED YEARS HOURLY RATE** 

Consultant PRACTICING/YEARS OF **RELEVANT EXPERIENCE** 

35

330

**CV STATUS (FOR HST RATE** CONSULTANT/ANALYST) **LAST CV DATE CHARGED** CV Provided within Previous 24 February 16, 2022 0.00

**HEARINGS CONSULTATIONS DISBURSEMENTS** 

No Yes No

CONSULTATION								
<u>Description</u>		Maximum Hours Hours		Hourly Rate	<u>Sub</u> Total	<u>HST</u> Rate	<u>HST</u>	<u>Total</u>
Consultation	1							
	Meeting #1 - January 18, 2022	4.00	2.25	330	742.50	0.00		742.50
	Meeting #2 - February 15, 2022	4.00	2.75	330	907.50	0.00		907.50
	Meeting #3 - March 22, 2022	4.00	2.50	330	825.00	0.00		825.00
	Meeting #3 – Presentation on Cost-Effectiveness Test (Chris Neme only) March 22, 2022	4.00	4.00	330	1.320.00	0.00		1,320.00
	Meeting #4 - April 26, 2022	4.00	1.75	330	577.50	0.00		577.50
	Review/Comments on Enbridge Gas Annual IRP Report and Working Group Report	4.00	3.50	330	1,155.00	0.00		1,155.00
Consultation	Meeting #6 - June 21, 2022 n Total	4.00	2.75	330	907.50	0.00		907.50
	Total Legal/Consultant Fees				6.435.00		0.00	6,435.00

Attachments

**Attachment** 

Case EB-2021-0246\_Job 1043 Jan-Jun

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Neme\_gas IRP WG cost claim eligibility

memo 2022-07-06.pdf

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Cover Letter

Hearings, Consultations, Disbursements Attachments

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**Related Disbursement Claim** 

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#### **Invoice**

TO: Ontario Energy Board

Mike Parkes Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor

Toronto, ON M4P 1E4 michael.parkes@oeb.ca

Invoice #:5262

Invoice Date: 7/7/2022

Invoice Period: 1/1/2022-6/30/2022

Job Name: Ontario Gas IRP Working Group

Terms: Net 30 Days

Consultant Labor	Job-Phase-Project	Project Description	Rate	Hours	Amount
Chris Neme	1043-01-01	Meeting # 1	\$330.00	2.25	\$742.50
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Chris Neme	1043-01-03	Meeting # 3	\$330.00	2.50	\$825.00
Chris Neme	1043-01-04	Meeting # 3: Presentation on Cost- effectiveness test	\$330.00	4.00	\$1,320.00
Chris Neme	1043-01-05	Meeting # 4	\$330.00	1.75	\$577.50
Chris Neme	1043-01-07	Review/Comments on Enbridge Gas Annual IRP report and Working Grp Report	\$330.00	3.50	\$1,155.00
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TOTAL DUE THIS INVOICE:	\$6,435.00 CAD
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TOTAL:			2.75
3/10/2022	01-03	Meeting # 3	0.25 discuss cost-effectiveness presentation w/Mike Parkes
3/22/2022	01-03	Meeting # 3	2.25 IRP working group meeting, including prep
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# Memorandum

To: OEB

CC: Mariana DuBrul, EFG

From: Chris Neme, EFG

**Date:** 7/6/2022

Re: Eligibility for Cost Awards for Participation in OEB Gas IRP Working Group

I was appointed by the OEB as a non-utility member of its Gas IRP Working Group on December 6, 2021 and have been an active participant in the Working Group since. Based on Section 3 of the OEB's "Practice Direction on Cost Awards", I believe I am eligible for cost awards for my participation in the Working Group. Specifically, Section 3.03(b) states that a party that "primarily represents an interest or policy perspective relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding for which cost award eligibility is sought" is eligible for cost awards. I believe that I meet that standard.

Specifically, my appointment was made not only because of my technical expertise in gas IRP issues, including economic principles and practices regarding cost-effectiveness analyses of utility investment choices, but also because of my perspective regarding how consideration of alternatives to traditional gas infrastructure investments should consider the implications of climate policy. Those implications include the potential for future demand for gas to be much lower than the gas utility may be predicting as a result of increasing carbon taxes, current federal programs promoting electrification and other potential future federal and provincial policies promoting electrification and other decarbonization measures. I testified on these issues in the Enbridge IRP case (EB-2020-0091) on behalf of two provincial environmental organizations – the Green Energy Coalition and Environmental Defense. As I testified, failure to address the connection between gas IRP choices and at least the potential for climate policy to fundamentally change the gas utility business could result in the creation of substantial "stranded regulatory assets" which gas ratepayers would be saddled with paying for through unnecessarily high future gas rates.

Please contact me or the EFG Administrative Manager, Mariana DuBrul (cc'd here), if we can provide any additional information regarding my eligibility for cost awards and/or the specifics of my cost claim.