

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS EB-2022-0003

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for leave to construct two natural gas pipelines and associated facilities in the City of Toronto

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed

Presiding Commissioner

Robert DoddsCommissioner

July 28, 2022

OVERVIEW

On February 24, 2022, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed an application for leave to construct two new gas pipelines in the City of Toronto: a temporary 190 metre 20-inch diameter bypass pipeline and a permanent 160 metre 20-inch diameter pipeline (the Project).

The Project will facilitate the abandonment of approximately 155 metres of existing 20-inch diameter pipeline that is located on and near the existing Keating Railway Bridge (Existing Pipeline) and that conflicts with the construction of Waterfront Toronto's Port Lands Flood Protection and Enabling Infrastructure Project (Flood Protection Project).

The temporary bypass pipeline would be located on the existing Lake Shore Bridge and would maintain current service levels to the downtown Toronto area (Temporary Bypass) while the permanent 160 metre 20-inch diameter pipeline is constructed (Permanent Pipeline). The Permanent Pipeline would be constructed within a newly designed utility corridor (New Utility Corridor) that will be located on the Keating Railway Bridge after the bridge has been upgraded and elongated as part of the Flood Protection Project.

Enbridge Gas has also applied for approval of the form of land-use agreements it has offered or will offer to landowners affected by the routing and construction of the Project.

The OEB granted Energy Probe, Environmental Defence, Pollution Probe and School Energy Coalition (SEC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On July 7, 2022, the OEB issued its Decision and Order granting Enbridge Gas's application and setting out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from Energy Probe, Environmental Defence, Pollution Probe and SEC. On July 22, 2022, Enbridge Gas stated that it had no objections to the cost claims.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that the cost claims of from Energy Probe, Environmental Defence, Pollution Probe and SEC are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Enbridge Gas.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge Gas Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

•	Energy Probe	\$4,217.40
•	Environmental Defence	\$2,962.86
•	Pollution Probe	\$6,991.88
•	School Energy Coalition	\$6,704.29

DATED at Toronto July 28, 2022

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi Registrar