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**To: Enbridge Gas Inc.
Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC)
Participants in EB-2021-0002**

**Re: 2021 Natural Gas Demand Side Management Annual Verification Report
(EB-2015-0245)**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has issued the final 2021 Natural Gas Demand Side Management (DSM) Annual Verification Report. The 2021 Annual Verification Report was developed by the OEB's Evaluation Contractor (EC), DNV. The report includes the evaluation, measurement, and verification (EM&V) results of Enbridge Gas Inc.'s 2021 DSM programs.¹

The process to review, verify and assemble the final report documenting the 2021 DSM program results included several months of analysis and review by the EC, with input from the OEB's Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC), as well as OEB staff. The OEB thanks all participants in the 2021 program evaluation process.

The final 2021 OEB DSM results will be posted on the OEB's [Engage With Us](#) webpage. Enbridge Gas Inc. is expected to file its application to clear the 2021 DSM deferral and variance account balances based on the results contained in the 2021 DSM Annual Verification Report. The application will be subject to an adjudicative process.

2021 DSM Annual Verification Report

The OEB's 2021 Natural Gas DSM Annual Verification Report summarizes the total verified savings achieved by all 2021 DSM programs, including custom and prescriptive programs. The EC reviewed program documentation and results and completed calculations to determine eligible shareholder incentive amounts, lost revenues, and

¹ Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited amalgamated effective January 1, 2019 to become Enbridge Gas Inc.; however, because the programs will continue to be implemented individually through the remainder of the current framework, the EC evaluated each program by legacy utility.

cost-effectiveness results to inform its final opinion on the 2021 DSM results.

Consistent with past Annual Verification Reports, the 2021 report includes recommendations from the EC that focus primarily on issues related to program data and databases, energy modelling, and cost-effectiveness. The status of the EC's recommendations are also provided to allow stakeholders an understanding of the progress toward each recommendation. The EC's recommendations are provided to help consider actions that may reduce costs (evaluation and/or program), improve savings accuracy, and decrease risk (such as risk of negative savings adjustments attributable to the utility).

2022 DSM Evaluation

The deadline for Enbridge Gas Inc. to submit its Draft 2022 Annual DSM Report for both legacy Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and legacy Union Gas Limited's DSM programs is April 1, 2023. However, consistent with past practice, the OEB expects Enbridge Gas Inc. to work cooperatively with the EC to provide documentation in a timely manner to facilitate an efficient evaluation process.

The OEB will address cost awards for EAC activities to-date by separate correspondence in the near term. Questions about the 2021 DSM results report and 2021 DSM evaluation should be directed to Josh Wasylyk at josh.wasylyk@oeb.ca. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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