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The Ontario Energy Board

-- Comment date --2022-11-19

From:

To:

-- Case Number --EB-2022-0200

-- Name --Allan Cowan

-- Phone --

-- Company --

-- Address --

-- Comments --

I am retired senior and homeowner in the City of Toronto. My wife and I get by on my OMERS pension, CPP and OAS. We budget to live a modest life. We heat our home by natural gas supplied by Enbridge Gas.

Our Equal Billing Plan payments for 2021-22 were \$115.00 a month. End of Year adjustments are anticipated and settled prior to the EBP begins for the coming year. Our new EBP amounts changed to \$221.00 a month (52% increase) due to rates previously approved by the Ontario Energy Board. We have not changed our usage. Enbridge Gas explained that they chose on our behalf, to add the outstanding amount from EBP into the next EBP, instead of billing this amount at EBP end.

The Federal Government has poured billions of new monies into the economy, causing extraordinary inflation, crippling energy costs and is now asking Canadians to pay for those decisions.

In general, we have a favourable opinion of Enbridge Gas and accept that the operator and shareholders should enjoy fair profit however, they have been given an exclusivity in the energy supply market by Canadians. The average Canadian will reduce spending and deny comforts in response to government actions. Companies given such exclusivities should share this burden commensurate with us all.

In this light, please judiciously consider the requested increase, if any, as any customer and average Canadian would.

-- Receive a copy of the decision? -- Yes

-- Attachment --