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## LETTER OF COMMENT

### Comments:

Writing regarding Enbridge Gas application case number EB 2022 0200. Enbridge gas has just increased the gas rate as of October 1, 2022, and now they are applying for a further change/increase effective January 1,2024. Granted this increase is regarding gas distribution, transportation and storage rates but regardless to the average resident it is another increase. The fact that this change involves a flat or harmonized rate, meaning everyone will be charged the same rate regardless of use is unacceptable as well the change is tied to inflation and other criteria which Enbridge does not have to make available until November 30,2022 which as per my call today November 30,2022 to the OEB offices, residents do not have access to this information and this criteria could and mostly would increase the residents overall bill more than the 0 to 1percent increase on April 1, 2025 as noted in Enbridge's application. Residents are struggling already with inflation and recovery from the pandemic another increase would make their lives that much harder as well this increase would counteract any affordable housing initiatives as some residents would be able to save on rent only to spend this on gas as landlords will just pass this increase onto tenants in the form of rent increases. Another issue is the fact these changes are so far in the future and for such a long period. 2025 to 2028 for Incentive Rate setting mechanism and 2024 to 2028 for Rate Harmonization. Anything could happen either way such as the war in Ukraine could end but this flat rate would not fluctuate to reflect this change. Unlike electricity which has time of use charges so you can change your usage or schedule accordingly to encourage saving natural gas does not. Living in Canada and its extremely cold winters heat is a necessity not a luxury. These changes are too much too soon on an already struggling population and economy for these reasons the changes proposed by Enbridge should NOT be approved.

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