

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2022-0194

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

2023 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application

BEFORE: David Sword Presiding Commissioner

> Fred Cass Commissioner

March 17, 2023

OVERVIEW

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, to make changes to its distribution rates to recover costs associated with meeting its obligations under the Government of Canada's Federal Carbon Pricing Program and the Ontario Emissions Performance Standards program. Enbridge Gas also applied to recover from customers the balances in the related deferral and variance accounts. Enbridge Gas also requested approval for a common Facility Carbon Charge for all customers, effective January 1, 2024.

The OEB granted the Small Business Utility Alliance (SBUA) and the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 9, 2023, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received a cost claim from CME. On February 22, 2023, SBUA stated that it will not file a cost claim. On March 2, 2023, Enbridge Gas stated that it has no objection to the cost claim received from CME.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed CME's claim to ensure it is compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that CME's cost claim is 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 Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters \$1,819.30.

DATED at Toronto March 17, 2023

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi Registrar