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## **Intervention Form**

## **Case Number:**

EB-2022-0335

#### **Intervenor Name:**

Environmental Defence

## Mandate and Objectives:

Refer to the Frequent Intervenor Form below.

# Membership of the Intervenor and Constituency Represented:

Refer to the Frequent Intervenor Form below.

## Programs or Activities Carried Out by the Intervenor:

Refer to the Frequent Intervenor Form below.

#### **Governance Structure:**

Refer to the Frequent Intervenor Form below.

#### **Representatives:**

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#### **Other Contacts:**

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#### **Frequent Intervenor Form:**

https://www.rds.oeb.ca/CMWebDrawer/Record/804452/File/document

#### **OEB Proceedings:**

Environmental Defence was granted intervenor status in the following proceedings in the last 24

months (or participant status for consultation processes):

EB-2021-0050 – Hydro One Networks Inc. – 2022 Rate Application
EB-2021-0110 – Custom IR Application (2023-2027) for Hydro One Networks Inc.
Transmission and Distribution
EB-2021-0136 – Hydro One Networks Inc. – Richview to Trafalgar Reconductoring Project
EB-2021-0147 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – 2022 Rates
EB-2021-0148 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – 2022 Rates (Phase 2) – Incremental Capital Module
EB-2021-025 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – Greenstone Pipeline Project
EB-2022-0002 – IESO 2022 Revenue Requirement
EB-2022-0013 – Toronto Waterfront Relocation Project
EB-2022-0013 – Alectra Utilities Corporation – 2023 ICM Application
EB-2022-0024 – Elexicon Energy Inc. – 2023 Distribution Rate Application
EB-2022-0028 – EPCOR Electricity Distribution Ontario Inc. – Application to raise electricity distribution rates

distribution rates

EB-2022-0059 – PUC Distribution Inc. – Cost of Service Application

EB-2022-0072 – Consultation to Review Annual Update to Five-Year Natural Gas Supply Plan of Enbridge Gas Inc.

EB-2022-0074 – Stakeholder Meeting on Design of an Optional Enhanced Time of Use (TOU) Rate

EB-2022-0086 – Enbridge Gas Inc. - Dawn to Corunna Pipeline Project

EB-2022-0137 – IESO 2022 – SME

EB-2022-0156 - Enbridge Gas Inc. - Selwyn Community Expansion Project

EB-2022-0157 - Enbridge Gas Inc. - Panhandle Regional Expansion Project

EB-2022-0200 - Enbridge Gas Inc. 2024 to 2028 Rates Application

EB-2022-0247 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – Scarborough Subway Expansion – Kennedy Station Relocation Project

EB-2022-0248 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation Community Expansion Project

EB-2022-0249 – Enbridge Gas Inc. – Hidden Valley Community Expansion Project

EB-2023-0003 – Engagement on Distributor Resilience, Responsiveness and Cost Efficiency

EB-2023-0071 – Electric Vehicle Integration (EVI)

EB-2023-2025 – IESO Revenue Requirement Submission (EB-2022-0318)

Environmental Defence has not been denied intervenor status in an OEB proceeding in the last 24

months.

#### **Issues:**

Environmental Defence anticipates addressing issues 2 (alternatives), 3 (project costs and economics), and 7 (conditions of approval), including the following:

- Whether the pilots comply with OEB directions in previous cases regarding IRP;

- Whether the pilots are appropriately designed;

- Whether alternatives to certain aspects of the pilots should be adopted;

- Whether the balance in proposed spending between efficiency, electric heat pumps, and gas heat pumps is appropriate;

- Whether the inclusion of gas heat pumps is appropriate in light of them not being cost-effective; and

- Other specific topics that may arise following a more detailed review of the application and receipt of interrogatory responses.

## **Policy Interests:**

Environmental Defence's interest in this proceeding is in promoting both the public interest in environmental protection and the interests of consumers whose energy bills can be reduced through measures that lower both costs and environmental impacts. Environmental Defence's knowledge and expertise relating to decarbonization is relevant, among other things, to the choice between different kinds of non-pipe alternatives. In addition, Environmental Defence has been a major advocate for Integrated Resource Planning in OEB proceedings over the past decade.

#### **Hearings:**

We propose that the form of hearing be decided following receipt of the interrogatory responses.

## **Evidence:**

Environmental Defence does not propose at this time to file intervenor evidence. Should that change following a more detailed review of the application or receipt of interrogatory responses, we would seek leave from the OEB at that time.

## **Coordination with Other Intervenors:**

It is difficult to provide specifics on coordination as we do not know which other organizations are intervening.

## **Cost Awards:**

Environmental Defence is eligible for a cost award primarily under s. 3.03(b) of the Practice Direction as it primarily represents an interest or policy perspective relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding for which cost award eligibility is sought, namely environmental and climate protection. In addition, with respect to s. 3.03(a) of the practice direction, Environmental Defence also represents the interests of consumers whose energy bills can be reduced through measures that lower both costs and environmental impacts.

## Language Preference:

We do not intend on participating in French.