

September 13, 2023

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Ms. Nancy Marconi Registrar Ontario Energy Board 27-2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Registrar:

Re: EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("ENGLP")

EB-2023-0269: Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") Application

Aylmer Service Territory - Rates effective October 1, 2023

Please find enclosed ENGLP's response to a question received from OEB Staff on September 12, 2023.

Sincerely,

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Encl.

Preamble:

On Page 10 of the application, ENGLP provides the following description of its RNG pricing:

RNG Pricing

For volumes purchased for October, 2023 through September, 2024, and as noted above under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from the RNG producer relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge. These charges are found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules and in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule, respectively.

This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the October, 2023 through September, 2024 columns in the row labelled RNG Production. The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery commodity charge in the cost of the gas reflects the fact that the RNG gas, which is produced in the ENGLP franchise area, results in a direct reduction of the delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge of the same amount as that paid to the local RNG producer.

ENGLP provided the following description of its RNG pricing on page 10 of last quarter's QRAM application.

ENGLP has finalized the agreement with respect to the RNG purchases that are expected to begin in mid-June 2023. The contract has a term of 10 years. The price to be paid for this gas is equal to the Enbridge gas supply commodity rate, adjusted for the difference in energy content. The formula used to determine the price to paid for this gas is:

Question

Please confirm that the RNG pricing formula used by ENGLP in this application is the same as what was used by ENGLP in its QRAM application from the previous quarter. If not confirmed, please describe what has changed?

ENGLP Response: The RNG pricing formula in this application has been slightly modified in comparison to the previous QRAM. The RNG commodity price in the current filing also includes the Enbridge delivery charge, which was not contemplated in its previous filing. The Enbridge delivery charge is approximately 1.2% of the Enbridge gas supply commodity rate. The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery charge in the PGCVA is consistent with the treatment of Local Production B.