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

Dear Ms. Marconi:

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

EB-2024-0099 Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") Application

Aylmer Service Territory - Rates effective April 1, 2024

Please find enclosed ENGLP Aylmer's QRAM Application to the Ontario Energy Board for orders effective April 1, 2024.

Sincerely,

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#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), as amended (the "Act");

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("ENGLP") pursuant to Section 36(1) of the Act, for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas as of April 1, 2024.

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM").

#### APPLICATION

- 1. As part of the EB-2023-0337 Decision and Rate Order dated December 21, 2023, the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") approved a PGCVA reference price of \$0.190317 per m3, a GPRA approved level of \$0.018096 per m3, and a gas supply charge of \$0.208848 per m3, all effective January 1, 2024.
- 2. Based on actual and forecast natural gas prices for the April, 2023 through March, 2024 period the PGCVA balance is projected to be a charge of approximately \$2.42 per residential customer.
- 3. ENGLP has filed its evidence based on the gas commodity charges that result from the Enbridge Gas Inc. EB-2024-0099 April 1, 2024 QRAM application dated March 8, 2024.
- 4. ENGLP hereby applies to the Board for further orders effective April 1, 2024:
- 5. an order changing the reference price authorized by the Board's EB-2023- 0337 Decision and Rate Order for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account No. 179-27) by \$0.079023 per m³ from the Board approved level of \$0.190317 per m³ to \$0.111294 per m³;
- 6. an order changing the recovery amount authorized by the Board's EB- 2023-0337 Decision and Rate Order for use in clearing the amounts in the Gas Purchasing

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Rebalancing Account (GPRA) by \$0.018792 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of

\$0.018096 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.036888 per m<sup>3</sup>;

an order changing the rates and other charges from those authorized by the Board's EB-

2023-0337 Decision and Rate Order to reflect a projected \$0.060231 per m<sup>3</sup> change in

the gas supply charge from the Board approved level of \$0.208848 m3 to a projected

cost of \$0.148617 per m<sup>3</sup>. These changes are the sum of the change in the PGCVA

reference price, the change required to prospectively clear the balance of the Gas Purchase

Rebalancing Account and the continuation of the system gas supply cost approved in EB-

2018-0336.

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**Regulatory Framework** 

8. This application is supported by written evidence that has been pre-filed with the Board

and intervenors of record in proceedings EB-2018-0336.

9. Pursuant to the criteria established in the Board's EB-2008-0106 Decision, below is the

Board's direction with respect to the timeline for processing the application

Any responsive comments from interested parties are filed with the Board, and served

on ENGLP and other interest parties, on or before 4:45 p.m. five calendar days

following the filing of the QRAM application.

• Any reply comments from ENGLP are filed with the Board, and served on all interested

parties, on or before 4:45 p.m. three calendar days following receipt of comments.

10. ENGLP respectfully requests the Board issue its Decision and Order by March 25, 2024

for implementation effective April 1, 2024.

11. The following procedures are prescribed for cost claims relating to QRAM applications, as

directed by the Board:

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Parties that meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Board's Practice Direction on

Cost Awards may submit costs with supporting rationale as to how their participation

contributed to the Board's ability to decide on this matter.

Any party eligible for an award of costs must file a claim with the Board and ENGLP

no later than ten days from the date of the Board's decision and order. Should

ENGLP have any comments concerning any of the claims, these concerns shall be

forwarded to the Board and to the claimant within seven days of receiving the claims.

Any response to ENGLP's comments must be filed with the Board and ENGLP

within seven days of receiving the comments.

**Address for Service** 

12. ENGLP requests that all documents in relation to the Application and its supporting

evidence, including responsive comments of any interested party, be served as follows:

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DATED the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

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**EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership** 

# **SCHEDULE 1- Management Summary**

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2 EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP 3 4 A. INTRODUCTION 5 6 7 As part of the EB-2023-0337 Decision and Rate Order dated December 19, 2023, the Ontario 8 Energy Board ("Board") approved a Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account ("PGCVA") reference price of \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas commodity charge of \$0.208848 per m<sup>3</sup>, both 9 effective January 1, 2024 for EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("ENGLP"). 10 11 In RP-2002-0147/EB-2003-0286 (Accounting Order dated January 30, 2004), the Board 12 13 approved a Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account ("GPRA") to record the increase (decrease) in 14 the value of the gas inventory available for sale to sales service customers due to changes in ENGLP's PGCVA reference price. This account was maintained in the EB-2018-0336 Decision 15 and Interim Rate Order dated July 4, 2019. In EB-2023-0337, the Board approved a GPRA rate 16 17 of \$0.018096 per m<sup>3</sup>. 18 19 ENGLP is proposing to adjust the gas supply charge, the GPRA rate and the PGCVA reference price effective April 1, 2024 to reflect an updated forecast of gas costs, the projected balance in 20 the PGCVA and the projected balance in the GPRA. 21 22 B. PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT 23 24 25 **Updated Forecasts** Based on actual and forecast costs, the PGCVA account balance totals a charge of \$2.42 per 26 27 average residential customer for the twelve-month period ending March, 2024 (Schedule 2). 28 29 The current forecast reflects the forecast for natural gas prices over the relevant period. These gas prices reflect current contracts and current market conditions, including alternative energy 30

- prices, demand for natural gas, the weather outlook and the impact of current storage levels.
- 2 These impacts are reflected in the concurrent EB-2024-0093 QRAM application dated March 8,
- 3 2024 for the Union South rate zone filed by Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge").

- 5 The PGCVA balance has been calculated using the most recent information available, including
- 6 actual volumes and costs through January, 2024. The remaining months in the twelve-month
- 7 period ending March, 2024 are calculated using estimated prices and volumes based on the best
- 8 information available at the time of filing.

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- 10 Forecast prices have been used for the period April, 2024, through March, 2025 period, and
- reflect the prices that result from existing contracts that are currently in place.

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# C. GAS SUPPLY PORTFOLIO

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- 15 The gas supply portfolio reflects the current and forecasted mix of delivery points utilized by
- 16 ENGLP for system gas purchases. In particular, the gas supply portfolio reflected in this QRAM
- 17 application reflects the Detailed Supply/Demand Forecast found in Appendix C to ENGLP's
- Annual Gas Supply Plan Update (EB-2023-0111) filed on April 28, 2023. This is consistent
- with the intention that QRAM filings would reflect and align with the most recent gas supply
- 20 plan filing that has been reviewed by the Board.

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- 22 ENGLP's gas supply portfolio continues to include system gas purchases from Enbridge and
- from a local producer. Beginning in July 2023, ENGLP began purchasing renewable natural gas
- 24 ("RNG") from a local producer located in its franchise area.

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- 26 ENGLP is a system gas customer on the Enbridge system on behalf of its own system gas
- 27 customers. ENGLP continues to have direct purchase customers on its system and continues to
- ensure that they continue to balance their supply with their demand.

- 1 In addition to the system gas purchased from Enbridge noted above, ENGLP purchases gas from
- 2 a local producer in its franchise area. The monthly purchases for each of the sources of supply
- are consistent with the figures in the annual gas supply update that was filed with the Board on
- 4 April 28, 2023 (EB-2023-0111) as noted above, with the following exception. As noted in EB-
- 5 2023-0111, RNG gas was expected to be purchased beginning in May, 2023. Due to supply
- 6 chain issues, this production was delayed and began producing into the ENGLP system in early
- 7 July, 2023.

- 9 The composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the April, 2023 through March, 2024
- period is shown on the top of Schedule 3. This schedule shows the monthly volume of gas
- purchased or forecast to be purchased from the local producers and from Enbridge. Similarly,
- the composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the April, 2024 through March, 2025
- period is shown on the top of Schedule 6.

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## D. HISTORICAL GAS COSTS

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- 17 ENGLP's actual and forecast gas costs for the April, 2023 through March, 2024 period, by source
- of supply, are shown in Schedule 4 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the middle section
- of Schedule 3 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The bottom section of Schedule 3 shows the composition of the total
- 20 system gas costs. The conversion factor used to convert \$\frac{1}{3}\$ to \$\frac{1}{3}\$ dis based on the heat values
- used by Enbridge in their calculation of ENGLP's Banked Gas Account balances. These
- 22 conversion factors are shown in Schedule 4. All prices and costs shown are actual prices paid in
- 23 April, 2023 through March, 2024. Prices for the remaining months in this period are based on
- 24 estimated prices to be paid in those months. The costs shown for these remaining months are
- 25 based on both the estimated prices to be paid and the estimated volumes to be purchased.

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- 27 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing
- 28 Prices paid to Enbridge are based on the Board approved Union South Total Gas Supply
- 29 Commodity Charge for Utility Sales.

- 1 Local Production (A)
- 2 ENGLP has not purchased any gas under the Local Production (A) since the contract expired at
- 3 the end of September, 2020. Therefore, as shown in Schedules 3 and 6, volumes, prices and
- 4 costs associated with Local Production (A) are shown as zero for all months shown in those
- 5 schedules.

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7 Local Production (B)

- 8 ENGLP entered into an Amending Agreement dated January 25, 2021 to the gas purchase
- 9 contract noted above (that covered both Local Production (A) and (B) volumes) for this gas based
- on a pricing mechanism similar to that paid for Local Production (C) as explained below.
- Specifically, the commodity rate for this gas is calculated based on both the difference in the
- energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that of the gas delivered by
- Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge and the Board
- 14 approved delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge. These charges are found in Schedule
- 15 "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules and in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule,
- respectively. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas supply commodity charge (inclusive of
- 17 commodity rate adjustments) from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP under this contract.
- 18 The formula used to determine the price to paid for this gas is:
- 20 Price (\$/m³) = Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x ((Enbridge Total Gas
- 21 Supply Commodity Charge x 0.95) + Enbridge M9 Delivery Commodity Charge).
- 23 ENGLP notes that unlike the Local Production (C) pricing described below, there is no firm
- contract demand charge associated with the Local Production (B) gas.
- The Amending Agreement had a term to September 30, 2023. A Second Amending Agreement
- was put in place near the end of September, 2023 that covered the production in October, 2023.
- A Third Amending Agreement was signed in late October, 2023 that has a term to October 31,
- 29 2024. There are no changes to the pricing formula from that in the original Amending
- 30 Agreement. For forecasting purposes for the February, 2024 through March, 2025 period,

ENGLP has assumed that the pricing mechanism in the current contract remains in place for this 1 2 period. 3 4 Local Production (C) ENGLP entered into a contract with a local gas producer (Lagasco) for volumes to be purchased 5 and delivered to its franchise area. The required Lagasco and ENGLP facilities were completed 6 7 in late December, 2019 and the gas began flowing under this contract on December 23, 2019. 8 The gas purchase contract has a primary term which expires on October 31, 2024. These 9 volumes are shown in Schedules 3 and 6 as Local Production (C). The contract includes a firm 10 contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day. 11 The commodity rate for this gas is calculated based on both the difference in the energy content 12 of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the 13 Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge. This charge is found in Schedule "A" to the 14 Enbridge Union South rate schedules. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas supply 15 commodity charge from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP up to the firm contract demand 16 of 1,200 GJ/day. The firm contract demand has been increased to 1,250 GJ/day effective 17 November 1, 2023. The formula used to determine the price to paid for this gas is: 18 19 Price (\$/m<sup>3</sup>) = Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x Enbridge Total Gas Supply 20 21 Commodity Charge x 0.95. 22 23 The actual price paid will reflect Enbridge's Board approved total gas supply commodity charge 24 and the actual heat content for both the Enbridge gas and the Lagasco gas. ENGLP notes that there will be a true up of the cost due to Lagasco invoicing ENGLP based on the forecast 25

Enbridge heat content each month as the actual heat content is not available from Enbridge at

the time the invoice is prepared. This cost difference, which ENGLP believes will continue to

be small relative to the overall cost of the gas each month, will continue to be reflected as an

adjustment in subsequent invoices and is done on a quarterly basis. These quarterly adjustments

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- will continue to be reflected in the PGCVA calculations in the month in which the adjustment is
- 2 reflected in the invoices.
- 3 As a result of the above adjustments, the actual monthly historical prices will not exactly match
- 4 what would be generated by the above formula using the actual Enbridge heat content.
- 5 For any gas delivered in excess of the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day (1,250 GJ/day
- 6 effective November 1, 2023) delivered, the 5% discount will not apply to the price to be paid,
- 7 and there will not be any incremental demand charges and no overrun charges.

- 9 In addition to the above commodity price, ENGLP pays the local producer a delivery charge and
- a demand charge for the delivery of the gas into the distribution system up to 1,200 GJ/day (1,250
- GJ/day effective November 1, 2023). These charges are equal to the corresponding charges paid
- to Enbridge under the M9 rate schedule, adjusted for the relative difference in the heat content
- of the gas delivered. This adjustment for the relative difference in the heat content ensures that
- the cost associated with the delivery charges and demand charges paid to the local producer are
- equal to the cost reductions that will be experienced on the Enbridge system. These costs are
- tracked through ENGLP's Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account ("PGTVA").
- 17 ENGLP assesses its contract demand with Enbridge annually, to take effect November 1 of each
- 18 year.

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- 20 ENGLP has maintained its level of contract demand from Enbridge for the year beginning
- November 1, 2023 at the same level as in the previous year. ENGLP has also forecast that this
- level would be maintained through to the end of 2024. The addition of the firm local production
- and RNG has allowed for the continuing growth in customer attachments without any increased
- cost associated with a higher contract demand on the Enbridge system.

- 26 RNG Pricing
- 27 ENGLP has finalized the agreement with respect to the RNG purchases that began in July 2023.
- 28 The contract has a term of 10 years. The price paid for this gas is equal to the Enbridge gas
- 29 supply commodity rate plus the Enbridge M9 delivery commodity charge, adjusted for the
- difference in energy content. The formula used to determine the price to paid for this gas is:

- 1 Price (\$/m3) = RNG Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x (Enbridge Total Gas
- 2 Supply Commodity Charge + Enbridge M9 Delivery Commodity Charge).

# E. FORECAST GAS COSTS

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- 6 ENGLP's forecast gas costs for the April, 2024 through March, 2025 period, by source of supply,
- 7 are shown in Schedule 7 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the middle section of Schedule
- 8 6 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The bottom section of Schedule 6 shows the composition of the total system gas costs.
- 9 The conversion factor used to convert \$\frac{1}{m}\$ to \$\frac{1}{g}\$ is based on the heat values used by Enbridge
- in their calculation of ENGLP's Banked Gas Account balances. These conversion factors are
- shown in Schedule 7. The costs shown are based on both the estimated prices to be paid and the
- 12 estimated volumes to be purchased.

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- Forecast gas prices for each of the sources of supply for the April, 2024 through March, 2025
- period are described below.

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- 17 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing
- As noted earlier, ENGLP is a system gas purchaser on the Union Gas South (now Enbridge)
- 19 system.

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- 21 The price forecast for this gas reflects Enbridge's QRAM application in EB-2024-0093 dated
- 22 March 8, 2024, where the gas supply commodity charge has been forecast as \$0.112053 per m<sup>3</sup>
- and is shown in the Enbridge Gas line on ENGLP's Schedule 6 and in \$/GJ on Schedule 7. The
- \$0.112053 per m<sup>3</sup> figure is taken from Enbridge's EB-2024-0093 application on line 4 in
- 25 Schedule "A", page 291 of 407. This is Enbridge's Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for
- 26 Utility Sales in the Union South operating area.

- 28 The Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for Utility Sales in the Union South operating area
- also directly impacts the price paid for gas purchased from the local producer noted in Schedule
- 30 6 under Local Production (B), Local Production (C) and RNG (see below).

- 1 At the time this application was prepared the Enbridge gas supply commodity charge for April
- 2 1, 2024 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the applied for and
- 3 Board approved gas supply commodity charge for Enbridge will be reflected in ENGLP's next
- 4 QRAM application and evidence.

6 Local Production (A)

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- 7 As noted above, ENGLP no longer purchases any premium priced gas as the contract for this gas
- 8 expired at the end of September, 2020.

10 Local Production (B)

- As noted above, the contract that covered the volumes under both Local Production (A) and
- Local Production (B) expired at the end of September, 2020. Further, as noted above in the Local
- 13 Production (B) section of Historical Gas Costs, ENGLP entered into an Amending Agreement
- 14 to this gas purchase contract for this gas based on a pricing mechanism similar to that paid for
- 15 Local Production (C).

17 For volumes purchased for April, 2024 through March, 2025, and as noted above under

- Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast based on both
- 19 the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that of the gas
- delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge and the
- 21 Board approved delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge. These charges are found in
- 22 Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules and in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule,
- 23 respectively. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas supply commodity charge (inclusive of
- commodity rate adjustments) from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP. As noted above,
- 25 there has been no change in the pricing formula in the new amending agreement that has a term
- to October 31, 2024. ENGLP has forecast the pricing methodology for this gas to be paid in
- November, 2024 through December, 2024 to be the same as that currently in place.
- 29 This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the April, 2024 through March, 2025 columns in the row
- 30 labelled Local Production (B). The discount applied to the Enbridge total gas supply commodity

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charge results in lower costs for ENGLP's system gas customers. If the production from these

2 wells, which are located within ENGLP's distribution franchise area were curtailed, this locally

produced gas would need to be replaced with additional supplies from Enbridge which would

result in a higher gas commodity cost and higher delivery charges paid to Enbridge. It may also

5 result in a higher demand charge paid to Enbridge.

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7 The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery commodity charge in the cost of the gas reflects the fact

8 that the Local Production (B) 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 producer.

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#### Local Production (C)

As noted above under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate for this gas is calculated based

on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that

of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge. This

charge is found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules. A 5% discount is

applied to the total gas supply commodity charge from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP

up to the firm contract demand of 1,250 GJ/day effective November 1, 2023. Any gas taken on

any day in excess of the 1,250 GJ/day is paid at the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge

for Union South, with no discount applied. ENGLP has not forecast any excess gas to be

purchased since the gas supply plan assumes normal weather conditions and is based on the firm

contract demand that underlies the Local Production (C) volumes included in the plan. Any such

excess volumes would be small relative to the total volumes and the price differential is not large

enough to have a significant impact on the overall average monthly forecast of the price of the

total system gas purchases.

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As noted above under Historical Gas Costs, there will be a true up of the cost due to Lagasco

28 invoicing ENGLP based on the forecast Enbridge heat content each month as the actual heat

content is not available from Enbridge at the time the invoice is prepared. This cost difference,

which ENGLP believes will continue to be small relative to the overall cost of the gas each

- 1 month, will continue to be reflected as an adjustment in subsequent invoices and is done on a
- 2 quarterly basis. These quarterly adjustments will continue to be reflected in the PGCVA
- 3 calculations in the month in which the adjustment is reflected in the invoices.

5 RNG Pricing

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- 6 For volumes purchased for April, 2024 through March, 2025, and as noted above under
- 7 Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast based on both
- 8 the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from the RNG producer relative to that
- 9 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,
- 12 respectively.

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- 14 This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the April, 2024 through March, 2025 columns in the row
- 15 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,
- 17 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.

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- 20 Other Forecast Assumptions
- 21 The heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is 39.09 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered from Enbridge.
- 22 This is inconsistent with the figure used by Enbridge in their current QRAM application. It is
- found in Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 1 in EB-2024-0093, at Note 1 and also noted in paragraph
- 4 of Exhibit D, Tab 2, Schedule 1; however this is the heat value effective April 1, 2024 shown
- in Enbridge's "Unit of Measure Conversion information" website<sup>1</sup>. ENGLP uses this conversion
- 26 factor to calculate the cost in \$/GJ and for the pricing of the Local Production (B) gas, the Local
- 27 Production (C) gas and the projected RNG volumes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.enbridgegas.com/storage-transportation/doing-business-with-us/unit-measure-conversion-information

- 1 Beginning in December, 2019, ENGLP required the use of a heat value in the pricing of the gas
- 2 purchased from Local Production (C), as noted above. The heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup>
- 3 is forecast at 38.87 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered from Lagasco related to both the Local
- 4 Production (C) and the Local Production (B) gas. This figure is representative of the actual heat
- 5 values shown in Schedule 4. The initial heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is forecast at 37.77
- 6 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for RNG gas delivered into the ENGLP system and is based on the actual heat content
- of the RNG for July, 2023. Effective December 1, 2023, the heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup>
- 8 is 37.61 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> based on the actual tests. The Enbridge, Lagasco and RNG heat value
- 9 forecasts are shown in Schedule 7.

# F. PGCVA RATE CHANGES

- 13 Historical PGCVA Balance
- 14 The projected March, 2024 balance in the PGCVA is a debit of \$38,209.87 including a debit of
- 15 \$65,200.27 in accumulated interest, based on the Board's prescribed interest rate. This estimate
- is based on actual and forecasted purchases and the balance brought forward from March, 2023.
- 17 The PGCVA debit amounts to a charge of approximately \$2.42 for a typical residential customer
- consuming approximately 1,864.5 m<sup>3</sup> per year. These figures are shown on Schedule 2.
- 20 Proposed PGCVA Rate Changes
- 21 ENGLP proposes to adjust the reference price effective April 1, 2024 based on the projected
- accumulated balance in the PGCVA as of the end of March, 2024 and the forecasted cost of gas
- over the twelve-month period beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March, 2025. The reference
- price is set such that the projected PGCVA balance at the end of March, 2025 is close to zero.
- 26 ENGLP's proposal will clear the PGCVA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the need
- 27 for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP's past proposals in QRAM
- applications, which have been accepted by the Board.

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- 1 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price by \$0.079023 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1, 2024,
- 2 from \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.111294 per m<sup>3</sup>. The derivation of this rate is shown in Schedule
- 3 5. This is the reference price required to bring the PGCVA balance close to zero on a twelve-
- 4 month forecast basis. This change will also be reflected in the gas commodity charge.

# G. GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

8 The impact on the GPRA of the proposed April, 2024 PGCVA reference price change from

9 \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.111294 per m<sup>3</sup> is a debit of \$831,821.18, as shown on Schedule 8. This

10 figure is shown in column (J) of Schedule 8 on the March, 2024 line. It is calculated as the

change in the PGCVA reference price between March, 2024 and April, 2024, multiplied by the

cumulative inventory balance at the end of March, 2024. This cumulative inventory balance is

the sum of the actual monthly inventory balances for January, 2024 and forecasts for the two

subsequent months. These forecasts will be replaced with actual balances for these months in

subsequent QRAM applications as this information becomes available. As well, the monthly

inventory balances are based on a deemed level of unaccounted for gas ("UFG") of the total

throughput volume, as shown in column (E) of Schedule 8. The 0.0% is the Board approved

level of UFG from EB-2018-0336.

20 ENGLP proposes to adjust the gas commodity charge effective April 1, 2024 based on the

21 projected accumulated balance in the GPRA. The adjustment to the gas commodity charge will

be set such that the projected GPRA balance at the end of March, 2025 will be close to zero.

23 The rate required to achieve this is shown in column (K) on Schedule 8. Column (P) shows the

reduction of the inventory revaluation balance based on this rate of \$0.036888 per m<sup>3</sup> over the

25 April, 2024 through March, 2025 period.

27 ENGLP's proposal will clear the GPRA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the need for

28 retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP's proposal for the continued prospective

29 clearance of the PGCVA. This change will also be reflected in the gas commodity charge.

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# H. GAS COMMODITY CHARGE

3 The system gas supply cost of \$0.000435 per m<sup>3</sup> will be maintained at the level approved in EB-

2018-0336. This figure represents the incremental costs over and above the commodity and

5 transportation costs that form the PGCVA reference price to the gas supply function. These

incremental costs are portions of administrative and general expenses, regulatory and consulting

fees associated with the QRAM applications, return on rate base (working cash allowance related

to gas commodity) and income taxes. This functionalization was approved in EB-2018-0336.

The change in the gas commodity charge proposed for April 1, 2024 is summarized below. The change in the gas commodity charge reflects both the change in the PGCVA reference price and the change in the recovery of the inventory revaluation amount in the GPRA. It also reflects

the approved system gas supply cost. The change in the gas commodity charge is as follows:

	EB-2023-0337	Proposed	
	Jan. 1, 2024	Apr. 1, 2024	Difference
PGCVA Reference Price	\$0.190317	\$0.111294	\$(0.079023)
GPRA Recovery	\$0.018096	\$0.036888	\$0.018792
System Gas Supply Cost	\$0.000435	\$0.000435	\$0.000000
Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.208848	\$0.148617	\$(0.060231)

# I. CUSTOMER IMPACTS

Schedule 9 provides a bill comparison showing the impact of the changes in the proposed gas commodity charge on a year over year basis for the appropriate quarter as well as the annual bill impact of the most recent quarterly change for an average residential customer. The annual bill impact related to the change in the commodity charges on a customer consuming approximately 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is a decrease of \$107.21, or 28.8%. With changes to the federal carbon charge approved in EB-2023-0274 Decision and Order dated February 22, 2024, the annual total bill impact is a decrease of \$56.31 or 5.0%. The average use figure of 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is consistent with the bill impacts in ENGLP's 2020-2024 Incentive Rate-setting Mechanism in EB-2018-0336

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- and reflects the Board's expectation that QRAM applications would provide bill impacts based
- 2 on this level for a typical residential customer.

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- 4 The proposed rate schedules are attached as Appendix A. The proposed rate schedules in
- 5 Appendix A reflect the changes effective April 1, 2024 related to this QRAM application. The
- 6 rate schedules also reflect the changes approved in the EB-2023-0160 Decision and Rate Order.

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- 8 ENGLP will include customer notices reflecting the changes in the gas supply commodity charge
- 9 and distribution charges with their first bill on or after April 1, 2024. This customer notice has
- been included, for reference, in Appendix C.

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# J. SUMMARY

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- 14 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas
- 15 Commodity Variance Account from \$0.190317 by \$0.079023 to \$0.111294 per m<sup>3</sup> effective
- April 1, 2024. Appendix B contains the accounting entries related to the PGCVA.

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- 18 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in the Gas Purchase
- Rebalancing Account from \$0.018096 by \$0.018792 to \$0.036888 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1.
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- 22 ENGLP also proposes to change the gas supply charge from \$0.208848 by \$0.060231 to
- \$0.148617 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1, 2024. This change reflects the change in the PGCVA
- reference price, as described above, the change related to the recovery of the GPRA balance,
- also as described above, and the continuation of the EB-2018-0336 approved system gas supply
- 26 cost. These changes apply to all system gas customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

#### PURCHASED GAS COMMDOITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT - PROJECTED BALANCE

#### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2023 TO MARCH, 2024

Act/Fcst	<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost (\$'s)	<u>M*3</u>	Actual/ Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u>	Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) (2)	Total PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
Actual	April	450,927	2,035,706	0.221509	0.224783	0.003274	6,665.46	(15,415.50)	(91.64)	(65,606.94)	6,573.82	(81,022.44)	109.7	4.98%
Actual	May	251,802	1,150,215	0.218918	0.224783	0.005865	6,746.50	(8,669.00)	(63.97)	(65,670.91)	6,682.53	(74,339.91)	102.0	4.98%
Actual	June	144,828	656,614	0.220569	0.224783	0.004214	2,767.23	(5,901.77)	(35.98)	(65,706.89)	2,731.25	(71,608.66)	48.0	4.98%
Actual	July	136,271	623,381	0.218600	0.225868	0.007268	4,530.73	(1,371.04)	(24.49)	(65,731.38)	4,506.24	(67,102.42)	42.8	4.98%
Actual	August	178,916	822,634	0.217492	0.225868	0.008376	6,890.74	5,519.70	(5.69)	(65,737.07)	6,885.05	(60,217.37)	57.9	4.98%
Actual	September	183,305	833,650	0.219883	0.225868	0.005985	4,989.34	10,509.04	22.91	(65,714.16)	5,012.25	(55,205.12)	58.0	4.98%
Actual	October	445,490	2,033,078	0.219121	0.221451	0.002330	4,736.95	15,245.99	48.08	(65,666.08)	4,785.03	(50,420.09)	86.6	5.49%
Actual	November	1,035,572	4,684,438	0.221066	0.221451	0.000385	1,801.67	17,047.66	69.75	(65,596.33)	1,871.42	(48,548.67)	241.0	5.49%
Actual	December	784,123	3,556,236	0.220492	0.221451	0.000959	3,409.28	20,456.94	77.99	(65,518.34)	3,487.27	(45,061.40)	208.1	5.49%
Actual	January	884,609	4,663,789	0.189676	0.190317	0.000641	2,989.10	23,446.04	93.59	(65,424.75)	3,082.69	(41,978.71)	432.6	5.49%
Forecast	February	848,285	4,468,640	0.189831	0.190317	0.000486	2,172.83	25,618.87	107.27	(65,317.48)	2,280.10	(39,698.61)	259.7	5.49%
Forecast	March	751,026	3,953,390	0.189970	0.190317	0.000347	1,371.53	26,990.40	117.21	(65,200.27)	1,488.74	(38,209.87)	218.1	5.49%
	Total	6,095,155	29,481,769	0.206743			49,071.36	26,990.40	315.03	(65,200.27)	49,386.39	(38,209.87)	1,864.5	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3)

(\$0.001296)

Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer

1,864.5 M\*3

\$2.42 Customer Charge

(1) Includes balance of (22,080.(2) Includes balance of (65,515.

(22,080.96) as of March, 2023 (65,515.30) as of March, 2023

#### **COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE**

#### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2023 TO MARCH, 2024

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-23</u>	<u>May-23</u>	<u>Jun-23</u>	<u>Jul-23</u>	<u>Aug-23</u>	<u>Sep-23</u>	Oct-23	<u>Nov-23</u>	<u>Dec-23</u>	<u>Jan-24</u>	Feb-24	<u>Mar-24</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas	0 74,577 651,376 0 0 1,309,753	0 74,971 576,987 0 0 498,257	0 68,942 472,441 0 0 115,231	0 68,238 385,508 0 76,126 93,510	0 77,479 542,978 0 123,797 <u>78,380</u>	0 74,069 610,118 0 104,976 <u>44,486</u>	0 81,817 594,374 0 326,058 1,030,829	0 77,478 932,507 0 282,839 3,391,614	0 74,520 793,131 0 311,323 2,377,262	0 81,226 1,251,215 0 265,145 3,066,203	0 61,059 864,192 0 390,911 3,152,478	0 60,245 677,784 0 417,871 2,797,490	0 874,620 8,352,611 0 2,299,045 17,955,493
Total	2,035,706	1,150,215	656,614	623,381	822,634	833,650	2,033,078	4,684,438	3,556,236	4,663,789	4,468,640	3,953,390	29,481,769
Price (\$/m3)  Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas	0.000000 0.217546 0.213016 0.000000 0.000000 0.225958	0.000000 0.217546 0.213016 0.000000 0.000000 0.225958	0.000000 0.217546 0.219695 0.000000 0.000000 0.225958	0.000000 0.219048 0.214714 0.000000 0.226628 0.227759	0.000000 0.219048 0.214714 0.000000 0.222200 0.227759	0.000000 0.219048 0.219012 0.000000 0.222200 0.227759	0.000000 0.215638 0.211146 0.000000 0.219314 0.223935	0.000000 0.215638 0.211793 0.000000 0.218728 0.223935	0.000000 0.215638 0.211410 0.000000 0.218503 0.223935	0.000000 0.185735 0.183441 0.000000 0.187580 0.192506	0.000000 0.184312 0.181480 0.000000 0.187580 0.192506	0.000000 0.184312 0.181480 0.000000 0.187580 0.192506	
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas TCPL Transportation	0 16,224 138,754 0 0 295,949	0 16,310 122,908 0 0 112,585	0 14,998 103,793 0 0 26,037	0 14,947 82,774 0 17,252 21,298 <u>0</u>	0 16,972 116,585 0 27,508 17,852 <u>0</u>	0 16,225 133,623 0 23,326 10,132 <u>0</u>	0 17,643 125,500 0 71,509 230,839 <u>0</u>	0 16,707 197,499 0 61,865 759,501 <u>0</u>	0 16,069 167,676 0 68,025 532,352 <u>0</u>	0 15,086 229,524 0 49,736 590,263	0 11,254 156,834 0 73,327 606,871	0 11,104 123,004 0 78,384 538,534 <u>0</u>	0 183,539 1,698,473 0 470,931 3,742,212 0
Total	450,927	251,802	144,828	136,271	178,916	183,305	445,490	1,035,572	784,123	884,609	848,285	751,026	6,095,155

#### **ACTUAL AND FORECAST GAS PRICES**

### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2023 TO MARCH, 2024

		<u>Apr-23</u>	<u>May-23</u>	<u>Jun-23</u>	<u>Jul-23</u>	Aug-23	<u>Sep-23</u>	Oct-23	Nov-23	<u>Dec-23</u>	<u>Jan-24</u>	Feb-24	<u>Mar-24</u>
Local Production Local Production (A)	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Local Production (B)	(\$/GJ)	5.559	5.600	5.665	5.645	5.626	5.641	5.548	5.496	5.486	4.732	4.705	4.705
Local Production (C)	) (\$/GJ)	5.443	5.483	5.721	5.533	5.515	5.640	5.433	5.398	5.378	4.674	4.633	4.633
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
RNG Production	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	5.840	5.707	5.722	5.643	5.575	5.559	4.779	4.789	4.789
Fuel Ratio	(%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
GJ/day (TCPL)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery Committme	nt Credit (\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enbridge Gas	(\$/GJ)	5.774	5.817	5.884	5.869	5.850	5.865	5.762	5.708	5.697	4.905	4.915	4.915
Heat Value Lagasco Heat Value RNG Heat Value	(GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3)	39.13 38.87 0.00	38.85 38.87 0.00	38.40 38.87 0.00	38.81 38.87 37.77	38.93 38.87 37.77	38.83 38.87 37.77	38.87 38.87 37.77	39.23 38.87 37.77	39.31 38.87 37.61	39.25 38.87 37.61	39.17 38.87 37.61	39.17 38.87 37.61

#### PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2024 TO MARCH, 2025 (WITH CHANGE IN REFERENCE PRICE)

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<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost (\$'s)	<u>M*3</u>	Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA (\$'s)	Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) (2)	Total PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	287,609	2,611,953	0.110113	0.111294	0.001181	3,085.93	30,076.33	123.48	(65,076.79)	3,209.41	(35,000.46)	165.3	5.49%
May	156,990	1,434,563	0.109434	0.111294	0.001860	2,667.91	32,744.24	137.60	(64,939.19)	2,805.51	(32,194.95)	79.5	5.49%
June	84,207	782,660	0.107591	0.111294	0.003703	2,898.32	35,642.56	149.80	(64,789.39)	3,048.12	(29,146.83)	47.0	5.49%
July	79,952	735,754	0.108667	0.111294	0.002627	1,932.70	37,575.26	163.06	(64,626.33)	2,095.76	(27,051.07)	36.3	5.49%
August	90,486	829,732	0.109054	0.111294	0.002240	1,858.48	39,433.74	171.91	(64,454.42)	2,030.39	(25,020.68)	37.9	5.49%
September	114,246	1,062,690	0.107506	0.111294	0.003788	4,025.47	43,459.21	180.41	(64,274.01)	4,205.88	(20,814.80)	51.8	5.49%
October	318,770	2,905,946	0.109696	0.111294	0.001598	4,644.42	48,103.63	198.83	(64,075.18)	4,843.25	(15,971.55)	105.1	5.49%
November	521,714	4,715,951	0.110627	0.111294	0.000667	3,143.23	51,246.86	220.07	(63,855.11)	3,363.30	(12,608.25)	179.6	5.49%
December	487,963	4,416,658	0.110482	0.111294	0.000812	3,584.89	54,831.75	234.45	(63,620.66)	3,819.34	(8,788.91)	285.1	5.49%
January	567,723	5,128,442	0.110701	0.111294	0.000593	3,041.94	57,873.69	250.86	(63,369.80)	3,292.80	(5,496.11)	314.6	5.49%
February	505,739	4,569,666	0.110673	0.111294	0.000621	2,837.50	60,711.19	264.77	(63,105.03)	3,102.27	(2,393.84)	259.7	5.49%
March	449,304	4,056,145	<u>0.110771</u>	0.111294	0.000523	2,120.23	62,831.42	<u>277.75</u>	(62,827.28)	2,397.98	<u>4.14</u>	<u>218.1</u>	5.49%
Total	3,664,702	33,250,160	0.110216			35,841.02	62,831.42	2,372.99	(62,827.28)	38,214.01	4.14	1,780.0	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer \$0.000000 <u>1,780.0</u> M\*3

\$0.00 Customer Rebate

(1) Includes March, 2024 year-to-date balance of \$26,990.40 (See Schedule 2) (2) Includes March, 2024 year-to-date balance of (\$65,200.27) (See Schedule 2)

### COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

#### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2024 TO MARCH, 2025

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-24</u>	<u>May-24</u>	<u>Jun-24</u>	<u>Jul-24</u>	<u>Aug-24</u>	<u>Sep-24</u>	Oct-24	<u>Nov-24</u>	<u>Dec-24</u>	<u>Jan-25</u>	<u>Feb-25</u>	<u>Mar-25</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas	0 59,442 655,920 0 404,391 1,492,200	0 58,649 478,392 0 296,007 601,515	0 57,867 462,960 0 209,523 <u>52,310</u>	0 57,096 299,832 0 216,507 162,319	0 56,335 299,832 0 216,507 257,058	0 55,583 655,920 0 288,682 <u>62,505</u>	0 54,842 956,784 0 369,533 1,524,787	0 54,111 925,920 0 404,391 3,331,528	0 53,390 956,784 0 417,871 2,988,614	0 52,678 956,784 0 417,871 3,701,109	0 51,975 864,192 0 390,911 3,262,587	0 51,282 677,784 0 417,871 2,909,208	0 663,251 8,191,104 0 4,050,065 20,345,740
Total	2,611,953	1,434,563	782,660	735,754	829,732	1,062,690	2,905,946	4,715,951	4,416,658	5,128,442	4,569,666	4,056,145	33,250,160
Price (\$/m3)  Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas	0.000000 0.108256 0.105851 0.000000 0.110137 0.112053												
ago Gae	02000	02000	01112000	02000	02000	02000	02000	01112000	01112000	01112000	0.1.12000	01112000	
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Local Production (C) Parkway Delivery RNG Production Enbridge Gas TCPL Transportation	0 6,435 69,430 0 44,538 167,205	0 6,349 50,638 0 32,601 67,402	0 6,264 49,005 0 23,076 5,861	0 6,181 31,738 0 23,845 18,188	0 6,099 31,738 0 23,845 28,804 <u>0</u>	0 6,017 69,430 0 31,795 7,004	0 5,937 101,277 0 40,699 170,857	0 5,858 98,010 0 44,538 373,308	0 5,780 101,277 0 46,023 334,883 <u>0</u>	0 5,703 101,277 0 46,023 414,720	0 5,627 91,476 0 43,054 365,583 <u>0</u>	0 5,552 71,744 0 46,023 325,985 <u>0</u>	0 71,801 867,039 0 446,062 2,279,801 0
Total	287,609	156,990	84,207	79,952	90,486	114,246	318,770	521,714	487,963	567,723	505,739	449,304	3,664,702

#### **FORECAST GAS PRICES**

### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2024 TO MARCH, 2025

		<u>Apr-24</u>	<u>May-24</u>	<u>Jun-24</u>	<u>Jul-24</u>	<u>Aug-24</u>	<u>Sep-24</u>	Oct-24	<u>Nov-24</u>	<u>Dec-24</u>	<u>Jan-25</u>	<u>Feb-25</u>	<u>Mar-25</u>
Local Production Local Production (A)	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Local Production (B)	(\$/GJ)	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769	2.769
Local Production (C)	(\$/GJ)	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708	2.708
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
RNG Production	(\$/GJ)	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818	2.818
Fuel Ratio	(%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
GJ/day (TCPL)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery Committme	nt Credit	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enbridge Gas	(\$/GJ)	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867	2.867
EGI Heat Value Lagasco Heat Value RNG Heat Value	(GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3) (GJ/103m3)	39.09 38.87 37.61											

#### GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

#### APRIL, 2023 THROUGH MARCH, 2025

<u>Month</u>	Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> A	Throughput Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> B	Direct Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> C	System Sales Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> D=B-C	Deemed U.F.G. (M*3) E	System Sales + U.F.G. (M*3) F=D+E	Monthly Inventory Balance (M*3) G=A-F	Cumulative Inventory (M*3) H (1)	Reference Price (\$/M*3) I	Inventory Revaluation ( <u>\$'s)</u> J	Inventory Rate (\$/M*3) K	Inventory Recovery ( <u>\$'s)</u> L=KxD	Y-T-D GPRA Balance (\$'s) M (2)	Monthly Interest (\$'s) N	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) O (3)	Total Y-T-D GPRA ( <u>\$'s)</u> P=M+O	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	2,035,706	6,567,221	5,061,118	1,506,103	0	1,506,103	529,602	10,447,418	0.224783	0.00	0.012854	19,359.45	(348,199.14)	(1,525.37)	25,488.99	(322,710.15)	4.98%
May	1,150,215	7,250,359	5,796,713	1,453,646	0	1,453,646	(303,431)	10,143,987	0.224783	0.00	0.012854	18,685.16	(329,513.98)	(1,445.03)	24,043.96	(305,470.02)	4.98%
June	656,614	6,395,943	5,663,699	732,244	0	732,244	(75,630)	10,068,357	0.224783	10,924.17	0.012854	9,412.26	(309,177.55)	(1,367.48)	22,676.48	(286,501.07)	4.98%
July	623,381	6,271,528	5,725,098	546,430	0	546,430	76,951	10,145,308	0.225868	0.00	0.006741	3,683.48	(305,494.07)	(1,283.09)	21,393.39	(284,100.68)	4.98%
August	822,634	6,674,226	5,949,150	725,076	0	725,076	97,558	10,242,866	0.225868	0.00	0.006741	4,887.74	(300,606.33)	(1,267.80)	20,125.59	(280,480.74)	4.98%
September	833,650	5,606,718	4,657,344	949,373	0	949,373	(115,724)	10,127,142	0.225868	(44,731.59)	0.006741	6,399.73	(338,938.19)	(1,247.52)	18,878.07	(320,060.12)	4.98%
October	2,033,078	7,578,543	6,108,919	1,469,624	0	1,469,624	563,454	10,690,596	0.221451	0.00	0.007525	11,058.92	(327,879.27)	(1,550.64)	17,327.43	(310,551.84)	5.49%
November	4,684,438	10,685,382	6,805,068	3,880,314	0	3,880,314	804,125	11,494,720	0.221451	0.00	0.007525	29,199.36	(298,679.91)	(1,500.05)	15,827.38	(282,852.53)	5.49%
December	3,556,236	10,718,503	6,344,972	4,373,531	0	4,373,531	(817,296)	10,677,425	0.221451	(332,430.94)	0.007525	32,910.82	(598,200.03)	(1,366.46)	14,460.92	(583,739.11)	5.49%
January	4,663,789	11,164,369	6,349,473	4,814,897	0	4,814,897	(151,107)	10,526,317	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	87,130.37	(511,069.66)	(2,736.77)	11,724.15	(499,345.51)	5.49%
February	4,468,640	9,718,640	5,250,000	4,468,640	0	4,468,640	0	10,526,317	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	80,864.51	(430,205.15)	(2,338.14)	9,386.01	(420,819.14)	5.49%
March	3,953,390	9,253,390	5,300,000	3,953,390	0	3,953,390	0	10,526,317	0.190317	(831,821.18)	0.018096	71,540.55	(1,190,485.78)	(1,968.19)	7,417.82	(1,183,067.96)	5.49%
April	2,611,953	7,811,953	5,200,000	2,611,953	0	2,611,953	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	96,349.72	(1,094,136.06)	(5,446.47)	1,971.35	(1,092,164.71)	5.49%
May	1,434,563	6,534,563	5,100,000	1,434,563	0	1,434,563	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	52,918.16	(1,041,217.90)	(5,005.67)	(3,034.32)	(1,044,252.22)	5.49%
June	782,660	5,822,660	5,040,000	782,660	0	782,660	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	28,870.76	(1,012,347.14)	(4,763.57)	(7,797.89)	(1,020,145.03)	5.49%
July	735,754	5,775,754	5,040,000	735,754	0	735,754	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	27,140.49	(985,206.65)	(4,631.49)	(12,429.38)	(997,636.03)	5.49%
August	829,732	5,869,732	5,040,000	829,732	0	829,732	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	30,607.15	(954,599.50)	(4,507.32)	(16,936.70)	(971,536.20)	5.49%
September	1,062,690	6,102,690	5,040,000	1,062,690	0	1,062,690	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	39,200.51	(915,398.99)	(4,367.29)	(21,303.99)	(936,702.98)	5.49%
October	2,905,946	8,155,946	5,250,000	2,905,946	0	2,905,946	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	107,194.54	(808,204.45)	(4,187.95)	(25,491.94)	(833,696.39)	5.49%
November	4,715,951	10,650,951	5,935,000	4,715,951	0	4,715,951	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	173,961.99	(634,242.46)	(3,697.54)	(29,189.48)	(663,431.94)	5.49%
December	4,416,658	10,051,658	5,635,000	4,416,658	0	4,416,658	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	162,921.68	(471,320.78)	(2,901.66)	(32,091.14)	(503,411.92)	5.49%
January	5,128,442	10,528,442	5,400,000	5,128,442	0	5,128,442	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	189,177.96	(282,142.82)	(2,156.29)	(34,247.43)	(316,390.25)	5.49%
February	4,569,666	9,819,666	5,250,000	4,569,666	0	4,569,666	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	168,565.84	(113,576.98)	(1,290.80)	(35,538.23)	(149,115.21)	5.49%
March	4,056,145	9,356,145	5,300,000	4,056,145	0	4,056,145	0	10,526,317	0.111294	0.00	0.036888	149,623.08	36,046.10	(519.61)	(36,057.84)	(11.74)	5.49%

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#### RESIDENTIAL BILL COMPARISONS

#### **QUARTERLY BILL IMPACT**

	Quarter	Quarter		
	Starting	Starting		
	01-Apr-23	01-Apr-24	\$	Percent
	EB-2023-0088	EB-2024-0099	<u>Change</u>	<u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption for Quarter	291.8	291.8		
Monthly Charges	\$61.50	\$64.50	\$3.00	4.9%
Delivery Charges (1)	\$40.81	\$42.42	\$1.61	3.9%
Federal Carbon Charge	\$36.15	\$44.50	\$8.35	23.1%
Rate Riders	\$1.33	\$2.28	\$0.95	71.2%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$69.47</u>	<u>\$43.37</u>	<u>(\$26.10)</u>	<u>-37.6%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$209.27	\$197.06	(\$12.20)	-5.8%

#### **ANNUAL BILL IMPACT**

	01-Jan-24 EB-2023-0337	01-Apr-24 EB-2024-0099	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption	1,780.0	1,780.0		
Monthly Charges	\$258.00	\$258.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Delivery Charges (1)	\$258.77	\$258.77	(\$0.00)	0.0%
Federal Carbon Charge	\$220.54	\$271.45	\$50.91	23.1%
Rate Riders	\$13.77	\$13.77	\$0.00	0.0%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$371.75</u>	<u>\$264.54</u>	<u>(\$107.21)</u>	<u>-28.8%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$1,122.83	\$1,066.53	(\$56.31)	-5.0%

#### RATES USED (2)

	01-Apr-23	01-Jan-24	01-Apr-24
	EB-2023-0088	EB-2023-0337	EB-2024-0099
Monthly Charge	20.50	21.50	21.50
Delivery Charge	0.139823	0.145341	0.145341
Facility Carbon Charge	0.000037	0.000037	0.000035
Total Commodity Charge	0.238072	0.208848	0.148617
Federal Carbon Charge	0.123900	0.123900	0.152500
Rate Riders - \$/mth	0.020000	0.020000	0.020000
Rate Riders - \$/m3	0.004355	0.007601	0.007601

<sup>(1)</sup> Delivery Charge includes Facility Carbon Charge

<sup>(2)</sup> Monthly charge reflects one dollar charge related to Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

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# APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION AND RATE ORDER

**OEB File No: EB-2024-0099** 

Dated: March XX, 2024

## **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

#### **RATE 1 - General Service Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the Company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer that requires delivery of natural gas to any residential building served through one meter and containing no more than three dwelling units.

#### Rate

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge (1)	\$21.50
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	\$0.02
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m³ per month All over 1,000 m³ per month	14.5341 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 11.6811 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup> Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) Facility Carbon Charge	15.2500 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0035 cents per m <sup>3</sup>

d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

 $<sup>^{(2)}</sup>$  The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

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## **Meter Readings**

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

#### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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## **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

## **RATE 2 - Seasonal Service**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers.

### **Rate**

For all gas consumed from:		April 1 - Oct 31	Nov 1 - Mar 31
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge (1)	\$23.59	\$23.59
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31	\$0.02 , 2024	\$0.02
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m³ per month Next 24,000 m³ per month All over 25,000 m³ per month	18.7366 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 9.6949 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 7.6671 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	23.6171 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 16.0473 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 17.2730 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31		0.7891 Cents per III
	Rate Rider for ADVADA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup> , 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges (2) Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) Facility Carbon Charge	15.2500 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0035 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	15.2500 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0035 cents per m <sup>3</sup>

d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

 $<sup>^{(2)}</sup>$  The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

**Meter Readings** 

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

**Delayed Payment Penalty** 

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**Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery** 

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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#### **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

### **RATE 3 - Special Large Volume Contract Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a combined daily contracted demand for firm and interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 113,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) A Monthly Customer Charge (1):

A Monthly Customer Charge of \$226.94 for firm or interruptible customers; or A Monthly Customer Charge of \$251.83 for combined (firm and interruptible) customers.

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery \$0.02 – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 32.8714 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand.

- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:
  - (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 4.0682 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,
  - (ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 11.8752 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 8.6034 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery 0.7891 cents per m<sup>3</sup> – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery (0.0290) cents per m<sup>3</sup> – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

15.2500 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

0.0035 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

- d) Carbon Charges (2)
  Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)
  Facility Carbon Charge
- e) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A
- f) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 3 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year, including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
  - d) Competition.

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- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.4003 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for firm gas and 5.8681 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.
- 4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the customer during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.9678 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply commodity charge as set out in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.
- (1) Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.
- (2) The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

## **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2024

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#### **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

## **RATE 4 - General Service Peaking**

#### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

## **Eligibility**

All customers whose operations, in the judgment of EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, can readily accept interruption and restoration of gas service with 24 hours' notice.

#### Rate

For all gas consumed from:		April 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Mar 31
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge (1)	\$23.59	\$23.59
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31	\$0.02 1, 2024	\$0.02
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	20.6322 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 12.6591 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	26.3209 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 20.3392 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA Recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 33	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup> 1, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges (2) Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) Facility Carbon Charge	5.2500 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0035 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	15.2500 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 0.0035 cents per m3
d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refundation	d Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

## **Meter Readings**

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Effective: April 1, 2024

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 1, 2024

#### **RATE 5 - Interruptible Peaking Contract Rate**

## **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a daily contracted demand for interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge (1)	\$215.64
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery	\$0.02
	– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	

b) A Monthly Delivery Charge:

A Monthly Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 10.4667 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 6.7555 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery  – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>

c) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>
Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)
Facility Carbon Charge

15.2500 cents per m<sup>3</sup>
0.0035 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

### e) Overrun Gas Charge:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any applicable Gas Supply Charge.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(b) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption and the pattern of annual use and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
  - d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas of 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this annual minimum shall be 8.7866 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing

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their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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#### RATE 6 – Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility

#### **Rate Availability**

Rate 6 is available to the Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative, Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility only.

#### **Eligibility**

Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative's ("IGPC") ethanol production facility located in the Town of Aylmer

#### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Fixed Monthly Charge<sup>(1)</sup> for firm services

\$69,171.53

b) Carbon Charges- Facility Carbon Charge

0.0035 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

## **Purchased Gas Transportation Charges**

In addition to the Rates and Charges outlined above, IGPC is responsible for all costs, charges and fees incurred by EPCOR related to gas supplied by Enbridge Gas Inc. to EPCOR's system for IGPC. All actual charges billed to ENGLP by Enbridge Gas Inc. under former Union Gas contract ID SA008936 and SA008937, as amended or replaced from time to time, shall be billed to IGPC by EPCOR when and as billed to EPCOR by Enbridge Gas Inc.

#### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where IGPC elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, IGPC or its agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to IGPC if it elects said Bundled T transportation service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, IGPC, when delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements, must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

#### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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#### <u>SCHEDULE A – Gas Supply Charges</u>

## **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

#### **Eligibility**

All customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

#### Rate

The Gas Supply Charge applicable to all sales customers shall be made up of the following charges:

PGCVA Reference Price	(EB-2024-0099)	11.1294 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2024-0099)	3.6888 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
System Gas Fee	(EB-2018-0336)	0.0435 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		<u>14.8617</u> cents per m <sup>3</sup>

#### Note:

PGCVA means Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account GPRA means Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account

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#### RATE BT1 – Bundled Direct Purchase Contract Rate

#### **Rate Availability**

Rate BT1 is available to all customers or their agent who enter into a Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to EPCOR. The availability of this option is subject to EPCOR obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with Enbridge Gas Inc. and EPCOR's gas supplier for direct purchase volume and DCQ offsets.

#### **Eligibility**

All customers electing to purchase gas directly from a supplier other than EPCOR must enter into a Bundled T- Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a mutually acceptable delivery point.

#### Rate

For gas delivered to EPCOR at any point other than the Ontario Point of Delivery, EPCOR will charge a customer or their agent all approved tolls and charges incurred by EPCOR to transport the gas to the Ontario Point of Delivery.

#### **Note:**

Ontario Point of Delivery means Dawn or Parkway on the Enbridge Gas Inc. (Union South) System as agreed to by EPCOR and EPCOR's customer or their agent.

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#### **Transmission Service**

#### **Availability**

Transmission Service charges shall be applied to all natural gas producers that sell gas into Enbridge Gas' Union South system via ENGLP's distribution system.

#### **Eligibility**

All natural gas producers, transporting gas through ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system shall be charged the Transmission Service Rate and associated Administrative Charge. Rates and Charges will be applied only in those months that a natural gas producer delivers gas to a delivery point on ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system.

#### Rate

Administrative Charge \$250/month Transmission Service Rate \$0.95/mcf

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## **Schedule of Miscellaneous and Service Charges**

	A	В
	Service	Fee
1	Service Work	
2	During normal working hours	
3	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$100.00
4	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$100.00
5	Outside normal working hours	
6	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$130.00
7	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$105.00
8	_	
9	Miscellaneous Charges	
10	Returned Cheque / Payment	\$20.00
11	Replies to a request for account information	\$25.00
12	Bill Reprint / Statement Print Requests	\$20.00
13	Consumption Summary Requests	\$20.00
14	Customer Transfer / Connection Charge	\$35.00
15		
16	Reconnection Charge	\$85.00
17		
18	Inactive Account Charge	ENGLP's cost to install service
19		
20	Late Payment Charge	1.5% / month, 19.56% / year (effective
		rate of 0.04896% compounded daily)
21	Meter Tested at Customer Request Found to be	Charge based on actual costs
21	Accurate	Charge based on actual costs
22	Installation of Service Lateral	\$100 for the first 20 meters.
		Additional if pipe length exceeds 20 meters.

Note: Applicable taxes will be added to the above charges

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# APPENDIX "B" TO DECISION AND RATE ORDER

**OEB File No: EB-2024-0099** 

Dated: March XX, 2024

#### EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

## **Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account**

Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Gas Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the Ontario Energy Board Act.

To record monthly as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-27 (PGCVA) the decrease (increase) to reflect the projected changes in gas costs and prospective recovery of the balances of the gas supply deferral accounts approved by the Board for rate making purposes.

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-27 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA) Credit/Debit Account No. 623 Cost of Gas

To record as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-28, interest on the balance in Deferral Account

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-28 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA) Credit/Debit Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense

Simple interest will be computed monthly on the opening balance in the said account in accordance with the methodology approved by the Board in EB-2006-0117.

# APPENDIX "C" TO DECISION AND RATE ORDER

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Dated: March XX, 2024

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAS BILL

#### **Gas Prices:**

On all bills rendered by EPCOR on or after April 1, 2024, the price we charge for the gas commodity and transportation portion of your bill will be decreasing by \$0.060231 per cubic meter to \$0.148617 per cubic meter. The Ontario Energy Board has approved this change to reflect the prices that EPCOR expects that it will be paying to its gas suppliers through to the end of March, 2025. On your gas bill this cost is on the line entitled "Gas Commodity".

As a regulated utility, EPCOR is permitted to recover what it pays for the purchase of gas plus any costs reasonably associated with this purchase but with no mark-up or 'profit'. The price the utility charges you is based on the forecasted gas and transportation costs to EPCOR, which are periodically reviewed by the OEB and reconciled with actual costs. The gas commodity portion gets adjusted regularly throughout the year as the price of the gas commodity changes.

How will the price change impact you? That will depend on the amount of gas that you use. For a typical residential customer who consumes approximately 1,780 cubic meters of gas annually, this price change will cause your annual heating costs to decrease by approximately \$107 per year. For customers who have arranged to have their gas supplied by a gas marketer/broker, the price may or may not change depending on the terms of the contract the customer has with the gas marketer/broker.

#### Federal Carbon Charge:

The federal carbon charge on bills rendered by EPCOR on or after April \$0.1239 per cubic meter to \$0.1525 per cubic meter. How will the increase impact you? That will depend on the amount of gas that you use. For consumes approximately 1,780 cubic meters of gas annually, the federal annual heating costs to increase by approximately \$51 per year.

If you have any questions about the changes in rates or any other item that appears on your bill, please feel free to call our office at 519-773-5321.

We would like to thank you for choosing to make natural gas your energy of choice.