

OEB Staff Questions Enbridge Gas Inc. EB-2024-0093

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In the context of the accelerated timelines applied to QRAM applications, OEB staff requests responses to these questions no later than March 13, 2024.

Staff. 1

Ref: (i) EB-2024-0093, Exhibit C, Tab 4, Schedule 10, page 6
(ii) EB-2023-0330, Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 4, page 1

Preamble:

OEB staff has calculated the annual bill impact of the rate riders expiring in the April 2024 QRAM that are associated with the recovery of amounts previously deferred for recovery as a rate mitigation measure.

For the EGD rate zone, using the unit rates at reference (i), OEB staff has calculated this bill impact for a typical residential customer to be a credit of **\$66.72**.

For the Union rates zones, using the unit rates at reference (ii), OEB staff has calculated this bill impact for a typical residential customer to be a credit of **\$96.29** for Union South, a credit of **\$95.69** for Union North East and a credit of **\$79.18** for Union North West.

Questions:

- a) Please confirm whether OEB staff's calculations referenced above are correct. If not, please provide a breakdown of the correct calculations.

Staff. 2

Ref: (i) EB-2024-0093, Exhibit D, Tab 2, Schedule 1, page 1, para. 4 and Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 1
(ii) [Heat Value Conversion Factor](#)

Preamble:

In its application at reference (i), Enbridge Gas noted that the proposed April 1, 2024 prices reflect the heat value conversion factor of 39.17 GJ/10³m³.

OEB staff notes that at reference (ii), the annual heat value effective April 1, 2024 is 39.09 GJ/10³m³ for the South and 38.86 GJ/10³m³ for the North.

Questions:

- a) Please explain the discrepancy between the heat value conversion factor at reference (ii) and the one used in Enbridge Gas's application.
- b) Please advise whether the heat values for any rate zones should be updated in Enbridge Gas's application.