# DR QUINN & ASSOCIATES LTD.

VIA E-MAIL

July 17, 2024

Ontario Energy Board <u>Attn</u>: Ms. N. Marconi, OEB Registrar P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4

## **RE: EB-2024-0125 EGI 2023 Deferral Account Disposition FRPO Request for Intervenor Status and Eligibility for Cost Award**

### **REQUEST & SUPPORT**

We are writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Notice of Application received from EGI July 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Application by EGI is seeking order or orders clearing certain non-commodity related deferral accounts and sharing utility earnings pursuant to the Board-approved earnings sharing mechanism. The resulting rates impact the members of the FRPO.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members believe strongly that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a notfor-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board with these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

#### ISSUES

FRPO has participated in past Enbridge and Union Gas Deferral Account Disposition applications and desires to assist the Board in reviewing the application considering the rate impacts that would be generated by this Application. FRPO represents the direct interest of its members who are impacted by changes to the regulated rates of Enbridge Gas. Therefore, FRPO respectfully requests involvement in all aspects of the review of this Application.

The Notice issued by the Board requested input on written vs. oral hearing. Respectfully, we submit that this determination is best made after discovery. However, from our experience, we would recommend that the provision for the potential of a Technical Conference after Interrogatories responses have been made would assist in the efficacy of the overall process, potentially, reducing the need for an oral hearing.

### REPRESENTATION

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

Mr. Dwayne R. Quinn DR QUINN & ASSOCIATES LTD. 130 Muscovey Drive, Elmira, Ontario N3B 3P7 Phone: (519) 500-1022 Email: drquinn@rogers.com

Thank you for your consideration of the above requests.

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

Dwayne R. Quinn Principal DR QUINN & ASSOCIATES LTD.

c. EGIRegulatoryProceedings - EGI