

EB-2024-0111

Enbridge Gas Inc.

Application to change its natural gas rates and other charges beginning January 1, 2024

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 5 August 27, 2024

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Enbridge Gas charges for natural gas distribution, transportation and storage, beginning January 1, 2024. The OEB is currently reviewing the second of three phases of the application.

Enbridge Gas Request to file Reply Evidence

On August 21, 2024, Enbridge Gas filed a letter requesting an opportunity to file reply evidence in response to the evidence filed by Pacific Economics Group (PEG) on behalf of OEB staff. The PEG report was prepared in response to Enbridge Gas's original expert evidence prepared by Dr. Kaufmann and addressed the X-factor (productivity and stretch factor) that should apply to the rate adjustment mechanism for the 2025-2028 period.

Enbridge Gas proposed that its reply evidence could be filed within a week of receiving interrogatory responses from OEB staff/PEG, which are due September 6, 2024.

The OEB approves Enbridge Gas's request.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Enbridge Gas shall file its reply evidence with the OEB and copy all intervenors by **September 16, 2024**.

- 2. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information that is in addition to the evidence filed by Enbridge Gas, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **September 20, 2024**.
- Enbridge Gas shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on OEB staff and all intervenors by September 25, 2024.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u>.

Please quote file number, **EB-2024-0111** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online</u> filing portal.

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar at the address below and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Khalil Viraney, at <u>Khalil.Viraney@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler, at <u>Ian.Richler@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, August 27, 2024

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