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Nancy Marconi Registrar Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: EB-2024-0193 2022 Demand Side Management Deferral and Variance Account Disposition Application – Enbridge Gas Inc.

In accordance with Procedural Order #1, please find attached the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) staff interrogatories in the above proceeding. The applicant and intervenors have been copied on this filing.

Enbridge Gas Inc.'s responses to interrogatories are due by November 22, 2024.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Michael Bell at michael.bell@oeb.ca or at 416-440-7688. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Michael Bell

Michael Bell Senior Advisor, Application Policy & Conservation

Encl.

cc: All parties in EB-2024-0193

OEB Staff Interrogatories Enbridge Gas Inc. 2022 DSM Deferral and Variance Account Disposition Application EB-2024-0193 October 30, 2024

Please note, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) is responsible for ensuring that all documents it files with the OEB, including responses to OEB staff interrogatories and any other supporting documentation, 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 *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

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References:

- (i) EB-2024-0193 Application & Evidence, Exhibit A, Tab 2, Schedule 1
- (ii) EB-2024-0193 Application & Evidence, Exhibit A, Tab 4, Schedule 1, Page 86, Table 8.4

Preamble:

The following table summarizes the balances in the 2022 DSM Incentive Deferral Account and 2022 LRAM Variance Account for the EGD zone as reported by the OEB's Evaluation Contractor (EC) in its annual verification report and as requested for clearance by Enbridge Gas.

		Annual Verification Report	As Requested for Clearance
EGD Rate Zone	DSM Incentive Deferral Account	\$5,236,372	\$5,236,372
	LRAM Variance Account	\$58,178	\$34,771

The balances in the DSM Incentive Deferral Accounts are aligned, however the balances in the LRAM Variance Accounts are not.

Question:

(a) Please explain why the balance being sought for clearance in the LRAM Variance Account for the EGD rate zone does not align with the balance as reported by the OEB's EC in its annual verification report which is shown in Table 8.4 of the 2022 DSM Annual Report.

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Reference:

(i) EB-2024-0193 Application & Evidence, Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Pages 1-6

Preamble:

In addition to the amounts Enbridge Gas is seeking approval for in the previous Exhibits and Schedules, the Company proposes to include an additional \$60 million as a one-time interim deferral disposition to offset a portion of overspend amounts related to Enbridge Gas's Home Efficiency Rebate Plus (HER+) offering in 2024.

The Company will file a detailed summary in respect of the HER+ program offering for final approval and disposition of the balance in a subsequent application to the OEB.

Question:

(a) When Enbridge Gas files its "subsequent application" to the OEB (which it notes will be the 2024 DSM DVA application) for final approval and disposition of the HER+ program offering, does Enbridge Gas agree that OEB Staff and intervenors will have an opportunity to conduct a prudence review of all spending related to the HER+ program offering? If not, why not?

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Reference:

(i) EB-2024-0193 Application & Evidence, Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Page 3, Table 1

Preamble:

Enbridge has provided a table with the current forecast for 2024 HER+ participation and rebate payments.

Questions:

- (a) Please expand row (1) of the table (titled Rebates Paid in 2024) to show, by month, the confirmed number of participants and rebate amounts (\$) in each month. If any projects were completed in 2023, please expand the table to include the necessary months in 2023.
- (b) For the forecasted 39,700 participants in row (2) of the table (titled Projects submitted to Enbridge, pending processing) please provide a month-by-month forecast of the number of rebates to be paid (participants) and forecasted dollars.

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Reference:

(i) EB-2024-0193 Application & Evidence, Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 1

Preamble:

Enbridge Gas proposes to dispose of the account balances with the first available QRAM following OEB approval. For the purposes of calculating bill impacts, Enbridge Gas assumes implementation with the April 1, 2025 QRAM.

Question:

(a) Is Enbridge Gas still assuming implementation with the April 1, 2025 QRAM?