

VIA E-MAIL

February 13, 2025

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: Ms. Nancy Marconi, OEB Registrar
P.O. Box 2319
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RE: EB-2024-0198 – EGI 2026-30 DSM Plan Application

REQUEST & SUPPORT

We are writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Enbridge Gas Inc. (“EGI”) dated in the matter of the EGI’s 2026-30 DSM Plan Application. DR Quinn & Associates acknowledges that this request is well after the Board ordered deadline due to our omission for personal reasons. Nonetheless it is our responsibility and we apologize to the Board and EGI for the inconvenience. Given the juncture of the proceeding and the term of impact of the application, we respectfully request the Board’s indulgence

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 not-for-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 while collaborating with other intervenors and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

ISSUES

EGI has submitted an application under Section 36(1) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, for order or orders approving the DSM application and associated costs starting January 1, 2026. The rate impacts and approved services from these proposed changes affect FRPO members. As such, FRPO respectfully requests involvement in all aspects of the proceeding.

FRPO understands the challenges associated with the balancing of social responsibility to reduce carbon emissions and the cost to do so. This balancing requires informed consideration of the multiple approaches, their efficacy and cost effectiveness. EGI's current application has been submitted in response to the Board's directive that shortened the proposed term of the previous plan in recognition of evolving government policy related to energy efficiency and climate action.¹ With continued policy evolution and other energy industry considerations, we believe this balancing is more delicate and the plan must be adaptable to consider innovative approaches to keep this balance.

REPRESENTATION

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

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Thank you for your consideration of this request and we apologize for the inconvenience caused by our omission.

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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¹ EB-2021-0002 Decision and Order, p.12