

BY EMAIL

May 6, 2025

To: Enbridge Gas Inc.

All Intervenors in EB-2024-0067, EB-2019-0137 and EB-2017-0129

Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.

Five-Year Gas Supply Plan

Stakeholder Conference – Invitation Letter

Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2025-0065

On May 1, 2025, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed a five-year gas supply plan application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) as recommended in the OEB Staff Report to the OEB: Review of 2024 Annual Update to Enbridge Gas Inc. Natural Gas Supply Plan.

The OEB is seeking input on how best to plan for an efficient and effective hearing for Enbridge Gas's application with a view to completing the proceeding in 355 days as per the OEB's performance standard. Specifically, OEB staff has developed a draft case schedule and is seeking input from Enbridge Gas and any interested parties that intend to seek intervenor status in this Enbridge Gas proceeding. For that purpose, the OEB will hold a brief stakeholder conference on **May 15, 2025**.

Stakeholder Conference Details and Cost Awards

The OEB's stakeholder conference will be held virtually on **May 15, 2025**, from **2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m**. Conference details will be sent to registered participants before the meeting date. The conference will not be transcribed.

Stakeholders who intend to participate in the stakeholder session should indicate their intent by filing a letter with the OEB. The letters should be emailed to registrar@oeb.ca by **May 9, 2025** and include "EB-2025-0065 – Enbridge Gas Stakeholder Conference Attendance" in the email subject line. Please include the following information in your letter:

T 416-481-1967 1-888-632-6273

F 416-440-7656 OEB.ca

- Participant name and contact information
- Organization name
- Cost eligibility request, if applicable

Note that all requests for cost eligibility should comply with the requirements referred to in Attachment A.

Cost awards will be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes for preparation and the actual meeting time and will be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, to eligible participants for their participation in the OEB's stakeholder conference. Costs awarded will be recovered entirely from Enbridge Gas. Please be aware that approval for cost eligibility for the stakeholder conference does not imply that cost eligibility will be granted for the actual Five-Year Gas Supply Plan application.

Agenda

The agenda is set out below:

Time	Activity
2:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	OEB Staff – Presentation on the Proposed Hearing Schedule
2:20 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	All Party Discussion – Proposed Hearing Schedule

OEB staff's presentation will be provided to registered participants in advance of the stakeholder conference.

All other questions relating to this stakeholder conference should be directed to Catherine Nguyen at Catherine.Nguyen@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi Registrar

Attachment A - Cost Award Eligibility

The OEB will determine eligibility for costs in accordance with its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. Any person intending to request an award of costs must identify the following in their letter:

- The nature of the person's interest in the stakeholder conference
- The grounds on which the person believes that they are eligible for an award of costs (addressing the OEB's cost eligibility criteria as set out in section 3 of the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards)
- An explanation of any other funding to which the person has access
- The name and credentials of any lawyer, analyst or consultant that the person intends to retain, if known

All requests for cost eligibility will be posted on the OEB's website.

Enbridge Gas will have an opportunity to object to any of the requests for cost award eligibility. Objections must be filed with the OEB by **May 9, 2025,** and will be posted on the OEB's website.

The OEB will then issue a final determination on cost eligibility.

Eligible Activities

Activity Eligible for Cost Awards	Max. Number of Hours
Preparation for, attendance at, and reporting on the stakeholder conference (for eligible participants and/or their consultants)	Actual meeting time + 30 minutes

Cost Awards

The OEB will apply the principles set out in section 5 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* when awarding costs. The maximum hourly rates set out in the OEB's Cost Awards Tariff will be applied. The OEB expects that groups representing the same interests or class of persons will make every effort to communicate and coordinate their participation in this process.

The OEB will use the process set out in section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* to implement the payment of the cost awards. Therefore, the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this process. For more information, please refer to the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.