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# **DECISION AND INTERIM RATE ORDER**

## **EB-2025-0176**

### **EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP- SOUTHERN BRUCE**

**Application for quarterly rate adjustment mechanism commencing  
July 1, 2025**

**By Delegation, Before: Theodore Antonopoulos**  
Vice President  
Major Applications

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**June 24, 2025**

## INTRODUCTION AND PROCESS

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (EPCOR) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on June 10, 2025, for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale of natural gas commencing July 1, 2025 for its Southern Bruce service area (the Application). The purpose of the Application is to set rates to pass through to customers the market price of the natural gas commodity. EPCOR does not make a profit on the sale of the natural gas commodity to its customers.

The Application was made pursuant to section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and in accordance with the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (QRAM) established by the OEB for dealing with changes in gas costs.<sup>1</sup>

EPCOR provided written evidence in support of the proposed changes. EPCOR provided the Application to all parties of record in EPCOR Southern Bruce's last major rates proceedings.<sup>2</sup>

Parties and OEB staff wishing to file questions or comments on the Application were required to file these questions and comments with the OEB by June 15, 2025. On June 13, 2025, OEB staff filed questions for EPCOR. Specifically, OEB staff asked clarifying questions regarding interim rates and certain discrepancies in the application. EPCOR filed its responses on June 13, 2025. No other party filed questions or comments.

For the reasons set out below, the OEB approves the application as filed on an interim basis.

### CNG Pilot

In the October 2024 QRAM application<sup>3</sup>, EPCOR requested to use compressed natural gas (CNG) for the 2024 to 2025 winter season to deal with potential low-pressure issues at the southern end of its system. The CNG pilot was a component of EPCOR's 2024 Gas Supply Plan (GSP).<sup>4</sup> In the October 2024 QRAM decision, the OEB determined that "...the OEB will approve the proposed rates on an interim basis pending OEB staff's release of its report including recommendations to the OEB on the 2024 GSP and pending the OEB's response to that report".<sup>5</sup> The proposed rates remained interim in the January 2025 QRAM decision. The OEB concluded its review of EPCOR's 2024

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2008-0106

<sup>2</sup> EB-2018-0264 and EB-2019-0264

<sup>3</sup> EB-2024-0267

<sup>4</sup> EB-2024-0139

<sup>5</sup> EB-2024-0267, Decision and Interim Rate Order, p.2

GSP with the issuance of the OEB Staff Report on February 28, 2025.<sup>6</sup> In this report, OEB staff stated that EPCOR's proposed pilot program to use CNG for Southern Bruce was reasonable as a temporary measure and the approval of the costs associated with it for the 2024 to 2025 planning period should be made final.<sup>7</sup> The report also added that EPCOR should complete an analysis of options to alleviate the pressure issue for future planning periods as part of EPCOR's 2026 IRM filing. The OEB endorsed the recommendations made in the OEB Staff Report in a letter filed February 28, 2025. In the April 2025 QRAM decision, the OEB approved the proposed rates on a final basis since the report to the OEB and the OEB's response to that report supported the use of CNG as a temporary measure for the 2024 to 2025 planning period.

In the July 2025 QRAM application, EPCOR requested approval of the commodity cost consequence of using CNG. EPCOR forecasted 70,000m<sup>3</sup> of CNG to be purchased for October to December 2025. EPCOR is paying a flow-through rate for the commodity cost of the natural gas required for the CNG based on the market price that the vendor is paying to Enbridge Gas where the CNG facility is located. EPCOR stated that the remaining costs, including the delivery portion of the M2 rates, will be included in the Storage and Transportation Variance Account balance for disposition expected in its 2025 annual update for 2026 rates.<sup>8</sup>

On June 13, 2025, OEB Staff inquired whether EPCOR would have any concerns with the proposed rates in the July QRAM application being approved on an interim basis until EPCOR completes an analysis of options to alleviate the pressure issue for future planning periods as part of EPCOR's 2026 IRM filing.<sup>9</sup> On June 13, 2025, EPCOR replied that it did not have any concerns with an OEB approval on an interim basis.<sup>10</sup>

## **FINDINGS**

### **CNG Pilot**

The OEB notes that in the April 2025 QRAM decision, the OEB approved the proposed rates on a final basis since the report to the OEB and OEB's response to that report supported the use of CNG as a temporary measure for the 2024 to 2025 planning period. The OEB also notes that as part of the OEB Staff Report's recommendations,

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<sup>6</sup> EB-2024-0139, OEB Staff Report to the Ontario Energy Board

<sup>7</sup> Ibid., Appendix C

<sup>8</sup> EB-2025-0176, p.12

<sup>9</sup> EB-2025-0176, OEB Staff Questions

<sup>10</sup> EB-2025-0176, EPCOR Reply to OEB Staff Questions

EPCOR was required to complete an analysis of options to alleviate the pressure issue for future planning periods as part of EPCOR's 2026 IRM filing.<sup>11</sup>

The OEB finds that the forecasted CNG purchases for October to December 2025 included in the July 2025 QRAM application are for a future planning period. EPCOR has not yet completed an analysis of options to alleviate the pressure issue for future planning periods as part of its upcoming 2026 IRM application.

In its reply to OEB staff questions, EPCOR stated that it did not have any concerns with the approval of rates on an interim basis.<sup>12</sup>

As such, the OEB will approve the proposed rates on an interim basis pending the outcome of the OEB's decision on EPCOR's 2026 IRM application.

### **Remaining Elements of this QRAM Application**

The QRAM is intended to strike a balance between ensuring that consumers are receiving appropriate price signals which reflect natural gas market prices and protecting the interest of consumers that purchase their gas from the distributor by reducing, to some extent, the volatility in the price of natural gas. Natural gas commodity prices charged by EPCOR are based on:

- a market price forecast for the commodity over the next 12 months
- a true-up between actual and forecast commodity prices for prior periods as actual costs are passed on to customers without a mark-up.

EPCOR's Southern Bruce commodity rates will be adjusted effective July 1, 2025 to reflect an overall decrease in forecast natural gas prices and the prospective recovery of the projected 12-month balances in the gas supply deferral accounts for the period ending June 2026.

The OEB finds that the proposed gas commodity charge is set appropriately to reflect the change in the Purchase Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA) reference price and the change in the recovery amount for inventory revaluation recorded in the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account (GPRA). The PGCVA reference price is adjusted, effective July 1, 2025, based on: (a) the estimated accumulated balance in the account as of the end of June 2025; and (b) the forecasted cost of natural gas over the next 12-month period. The PGCVA reference price is set to bring the PGCVA balance to nearly

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<sup>11</sup> EB-2025-0097, Decision and Rate Order, p. 6

<sup>12</sup> EB-2025-0176, EPCOR Reply to OEB Staff Questions

zero over a 12-month period. The GPRA recovery amount is similarly set to bring the GPRA balance to nearly zero over a 12-month period.

The total annual bill impact for a typical Southern Bruce residential customer who purchases their gas supply from EPCOR is a decrease of approximately \$33 or 2.0%.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The rates approved for EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership's Southern Bruce service area as part of the Decision and Rate Order in EB-2025-0097, dated March 27, 2025, shall be superseded on an interim basis by the rates as provided in Appendix A to this Decision and Interim Rate Order.
2. The rates approved shall be effective July 1, 2025 and shall be implemented in EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership's first billing cycle commencing in July 2025.
3. The reference price for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchase Gas Commodity Variance Account shall decrease by \$0.016443 per m<sup>3</sup> from the previous OEB approved level of \$0.199948 to **\$0.183505** per m<sup>3</sup>.
4. The balance in the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account shall be prospectively cleared. The Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account recovery amount shall increase by \$0.001069 from the previous OEB approved level of \$0.004313 per m<sup>3</sup> to **\$0.005382** per m<sup>3</sup>.
5. The resulting gas supply charge will decrease from the previous OEB-approved level of \$0.204261 per m<sup>3</sup> to **\$0.188887** per m<sup>3</sup> as noted in Appendix A to this Decision and Interim Rate Order.
6. EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership shall notify its Southern Bruce customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**ISSUED** at Toronto, June 24, 2025

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Ritchie Murray  
Acting Registrar

**APPENDIX A TO  
DECISION AND INTERIM RATE ORDER  
OEB FILE NO. EB-2025-0176  
DATED: June 24, 2025**

### **RATE 1 - General Firm Service**

#### **Applicability**

Any customer in EPCOR's Southern Bruce Natural Gas System who is an end user and whose total gas requirements are equal to or less than 10,000 m<sup>3</sup> per year.

#### **Rate**

Rates per m<sup>3</sup> assume an energy content of 38.89MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

<b>Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$29.00
<b>Delivery Charge</b>	
First 100 m <sup>3</sup> per month	29.9921 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Next 400 m <sup>3</sup> per month	29.4012 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Over 500 m <sup>3</sup> per month	28.5328 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Upstream Charges</b>	
Upstream Recovery charge	1.4740 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation and Storage charge	2.6982 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Rate Rider for Delay in Revenue Recovery</b>	1.6330 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 10 years ending December 31, 2028	
<b>ECVA Rate Rider</b>	0.2481 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>CIACVA Rate Rider</b>	2.3088 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>MTVA Rate Rider</b>	0.5052 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>ORDA Rate Rider</b>	(0.2738) ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>CVVA Rate Rider</b>	\$5.37 \$ per month
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>Gas Supply Charge</b>	18.8887 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup>Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.



**Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this Rate Schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the supplier must qualify as a “gas marketer” under the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, and must enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a receipt point listed on the upstream transportation contract that EPCOR has with the Upstream Service Provider (“**Ontario Delivery Point**”). T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in Rate Schedule T1. Transportation and Storage charges may vary depending on the Ontario Delivery Point. Gas Supply Charges in this Rate Schedule are not applicable for Rate T1 customers.

**Terms and Conditions of Service**

The provisions in the “EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership Southern Bruce Natural Gas Operations Conditions of Service” apply, as contemplated therein, to service under this Rate Schedule.

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after July 1, 2025

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## **RATE 6 – Large Volume General Firm Service**

### **Applicability**

Any customer in EPCOR's Southern Bruce Natural Gas System who is an end user and whose total gas requirements are greater than 10,000 m<sup>3</sup> per year.

### **Rate**

Rates per m<sup>3</sup> assume an energy content of 38.89MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

<b>Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$115.17	
<b>Delivery Charge</b>		
First 1000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	27.6684	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Next 6000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	24.9017	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Over 7000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	23.6564	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Upstream Charges</b>		
Upstream Recovery charge	2.9200	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation and Storage charge	5.6413	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Rate Rider for Delay in Revenue Recovery</b>	0.9090	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 10 years ending December 31, 2028		
<b>ECVA Rate Rider</b>	0.2815	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>CIACVA Rate Rider</b>	3.0469	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>MTVA Rate Rider</b>	0.8651	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>ORDA Rate Rider</b>	(0.2291)	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>CVVA Rate Rider</b>	(\$43.46)	\$ per month
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>Gas Supply Charge</b>	18.8887	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup>Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

**Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this Rate Schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a receipt point listed on the upstream transportation contract that EPCOR has with the Upstream Service Provider (“**Ontario Delivery Point**”). T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in Rate Schedule T1. Transportation and Storage charges may vary depending on the Ontario Delivery Point. Gas Supply Charges in this Rate Schedule are not applicable for Rate T1 customers.

**Terms and Conditions of Service**

The provisions in the “EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership Southern Bruce Natural Gas Operations Conditions of Service” apply, as contemplated therein, to service under this Rate Schedule.

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after July 1, 2025

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### **RATE 11 - Large Volume Seasonal Service**

#### **Applicability**

Any customer in EPCOR's Southern Bruce Natural Gas System who is an end user and whose gas requirements are only during the period of May 1 through Dec 15 inclusive and are greater than 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### **Rate**

Rates per m<sup>3</sup> assume an energy content of 38.89MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

<b>Monthly Fixed Charge</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	\$229.35
<b>Delivery Charge</b>	
All volumes delivered	17.1868 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Upstream Charges</b>	
Upstream Recovery charge	0.0352 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation and Storage charge	1.8166 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Rate Rider for Delay in Revenue Recovery</b>	0.5524 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 10 years ending December 31, 2028	
<b>ECVA Rate Rider</b>	0.1847 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>CIACVA Rate Rider</b>	0.5789 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>MTVA Rate Rider</b>	0.1648 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>ORDA Rate Rider</b>	(0.0870) ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025	
<b>Gas Supply Charge</b>	18.8887 ¢ per m <sup>3</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup>Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

**Unaccounted for Gas (UFG):**

Forecasted UFG is applied to all volumes of gas delivered to the customer.

**Forecasted Unaccounted for Gas Percentage** 0.00 %

**Overrun Charges:**

Any volume of gas taken during the period of December 16 through April 30 inclusive shall constitute “Overrun Gas” and must be authorized in advance by EPCOR. Delivery of these volumes is available at the Authorized Overrun Charge in addition to applicable Upstream Charges and Gas Supply Charges. EPCOR will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

**Authorized Overrun Charge** 17.9093 ¢ per m<sup>3</sup>

Any volume of gas taken during the period of December 16 through April 30 inclusive without EPCOR’s approval in advance shall constitute “Unauthorized Overrun Gas”. Delivery of these volumes will be paid for at the Unauthorized Overrun Charge in addition to applicable Upstream Charges and Gas Supply Charges.

**Unauthorized Overrun Charge** 428.8650 ¢ per m<sup>3</sup>

For any volume of Unauthorized Overrun Gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify EPCOR in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on EPCOR by its suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

**Nominations:**

Union Gas Limited will be the “Upstream Service Provider” to facilitate delivery and balancing of gas supplies to the EPCOR Southern Bruce Natural Gas System. For service under this Rate Schedule, the customer shall nominate for transportation of gas volumes for ultimate delivery to the customer. The customer agrees to nominate its daily gas volumetric requirement to EPCOR, or its designated agent, consistent with industry nomination standards including those nomination requirements of the Upstream Service Provider.

The customer shall nominate gas delivery daily based on its daily gas requirements plus the Forecasted UFG rate as set out in this Rate Schedule.

The nomination calculation shall equal:

$$[(\text{Daily volume of gas to be delivered}) * (1 + \text{Forecasted UFG})]$$

Customers may change daily nominations based on the nomination windows within a day as defined by EPCOR’s agreement with the Upstream Service Provider.

In the event nominations under this Rate Schedule do not match upstream nominations, the nomination will be confirmed at the upstream value.

Customers with multiple connections under this Rate Schedule may combine nominations at the sole discretion of EPCOR. For combined nominations the customer shall specify the quantity of gas to each

meter installation (“Terminal Location”) and the order in which the gas is to be delivered to each Terminal Location.

**Load Balancing:**

Daily nominations provided by the customer shall be used for the purposes of day-to-day balancing as required under EPCOR’s arrangement with the Upstream Service Provider.

When a customer’s metered consumption on any day is different than the gas nominated for consumption by the customer on any day, this constitutes a “Daily Load Imbalance”. A “Cumulative Load Imbalance” occurs when the ongoing absolute value of Daily Load Imbalances are greater than zero.

To the extent that EPCOR incurs daily or cumulative load balancing charges, the customer will be responsible for its proportionate share of such charges. Charges related to these imbalances are as defined in EPCOR’s agreement with the Upstream Service Provider.

**Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this Rate Schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a receipt point listed on the upstream transportation contract that EPCOR has with the Upstream Service Provider (“**Ontario Delivery Point**”). T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in Rate Schedule T1. Transportation and Storage charges may vary depending on the Ontario Delivery Point. Gas Supply Charges in this Rate Schedule are not applicable for Rate T1 customers.

**Terms and Conditions of Service**

1. In any year, during the period of May 1 through December 15 inclusive, the customers shall receive continuous (“**Firm**”) service from EPCOR, except where impacted by events as specified in EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership Southern Bruce Natural Gas Operations Conditions of Service including force majeure. During the period of December 16 through April 30 inclusive, any authorized overrun service shall be interruptible at the sole discretion of EPCOR. All service during the period December 16 through April 30 inclusive shall be subject to EPCOR’s prior authorization under the daily nomination procedures outlined in this Rate Schedule and shall constitute Overrun Gas.
2. To the extent that EPCOR’s Upstream Service Provider provides any seasonal or day-to-day balancing rights for EPCOR, the customer shall be entitled to a reasonable proportion of such balancing rights as determined by EPCOR from time to time. If the customer utilizes any of EPCOR’s seasonal or day-to-day balancing services or any other services available from the Upstream Service Provider, the customer agrees to comply with all balancing requirements imposed by the Upstream Service Provider. The customer also agrees to be liable for its share of any such usage limitations or restrictions, fees, costs or penalties associated with the usage of such services, including but not limited to any associated storage fees, daily or cumulative balancing fees or penalties, and gas commodity costs as determined by EPCOR, acting reasonably.
3. EPCOR receives upstream services under the Union Gas Limited M17 Rate Schedule. Details of this upstream arrangement and associated nomination standards and Load Balancing Arrangement are available at [www.uniongas.com](http://www.uniongas.com).
4. The provisions in the “EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership Southern Bruce Natural Gas Operations Conditions of Service” apply, as contemplated therein, to service under this Rate Schedule.

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after July 1, 2025  
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## **RATE 16 – Contracted Firm Service**

### **Applicability**

Any customer connected directly to EPCOR's Southern Bruce Natural Gas High Pressure Steel System and who enters into a contract with EPCOR for firm contract daily demand of at least 2,739m<sup>3</sup>.

### **Rate**

Rates per m<sup>3</sup> assume an energy content of 38.89MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

<b>Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$1,679.98	
Delivery Charge		
Per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand	114.5223	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
 <b>Upstream Charges</b>		
Upstream Recovery charge per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand	14.2434	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation charge per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand		
Transportation from Dawn	18.2999	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation from Kirkwall	11.8480	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
Transportation from Parkway	11.8480	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
 <b>Rate Rider for Delay in Revenue Recovery</b>	0.0601	¢ per m <sup>3</sup>
- effective for 10 years ending December 31, 2028		
<b>CIACVA Rate Rider</b>	4.7092	Per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand per month
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>MTVA Rate Rider</b>	1.2397	Per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand per month
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		
<b>ORDA Rate Rider</b>	(0.1547)	Per m <sup>3</sup> of Contract Demand per month
- effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2025		

<sup>(1)</sup>Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.



**Unaccounted for Gas:**

Forecasted Unaccounted for Gas (UFG) is applied to all volumes of gas delivered to the customer.

**Forecasted Unaccounted for Gas Percentage** 0.00 %

**Overrun Charges:**

Any volume of gas taken in excess of the daily Contract Demand or Peak Hourly Volume EPCOR is obligated to transport as per the contract with the customer shall constitute “Overrun Gas” and must be authorized in advance by EPCOR. Delivery of these volumes is available at the Authorized Overrun Charge in addition to applicable Upstream Charges. EPCOR will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

**Authorized Overrun Charge** 5.5964 ¢ per m<sup>3</sup>

Any volume of gas taken in excess of the daily Contract Demand or Peak Hourly Volume EPCOR is obligated to transport as per the contract with the customer without EPCOR’s approval in advance shall constitute “Unauthorized Overrun Gas”. Delivery of these volumes will be paid for at the Unauthorized Overrun Charge in addition to applicable Upstream Charges.

**Unauthorized Overrun Charge** 428.9753 ¢ per m<sup>3</sup>

For any volume of Unauthorized Overrun Gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify EPCOR in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on EPCOR by its suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

**Nominations:**

Union Gas Limited will be the “Upstream Service Provider” to facilitate delivery and balancing of gas supplies to the EPCOR Southern Bruce Natural Gas System. For service under this Rate Schedule, the customer shall nominate for transportation of gas volumes for ultimate delivery to the customer. The customer agrees to nominate its daily gas volumetric requirement to EPCOR, or its designated agent, consistent with industry nomination standards including those nomination requirements of the Upstream Service Provider.

The customer shall nominate gas delivery daily based on its daily gas requirements plus the Forecasted UFG rate and Fuel Ratio. The Forecasted UFG rate is as set out in this Rate Schedule. The Fuel Ratio is the Shipper Supplied Fuel rates applicable to the receipt point of gas defined in the “Gas Supply” section of this Rate Schedule.

The nomination calculation shall equal:

$$[(\text{Daily volume of gas to be delivered}) * (1 + \text{Forecasted UFG}) * (1 + \text{Fuel Ratio})]$$

Customers may change daily nominations based on the nomination windows within a day as defined by EPCOR’s agreement with the Upstream Service Provider.

In the event nominations under this Rate Schedule do not match upstream nominations, the nomination will be confirmed at the upstream value.

Customers with multiple connections under this Rate Schedule may combine nominations at the sole discretion of EPCOR. For combined nominations the customer shall specify the quantity of gas to each

meter installation (“Terminal Location”) and the order in which the gas is to be delivered to each Terminal Location.

**Load Balancing:**

Daily nominations provided by the customer shall be used for the purposes of day-to-day balancing as required under EPCOR’s arrangement with the Upstream Service Provider.

When a customer’s metered consumption on any day is different than the gas nominated for consumption by the customer on any day, this constitutes a “Daily Load Imbalance”. A “Cumulative Load Imbalance” occurs when the ongoing absolute value of Daily Load Imbalances are greater than zero.

To the extent that EPCOR incurs daily or cumulative load balancing charges, the customer will be responsible for its proportionate share of such charges. Charges related to these imbalances are as defined in EPCOR’s agreement with the Upstream Service Provider.

**Gas Supply:**

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers under this Rate Schedule must deliver firm gas at a receipt point listed on the upstream transportation contract that EPCOR has with the Upstream Service Provider (“**Ontario Delivery Point**”). The customer or their agent must enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in Rate Schedule T1.

The customer must deliver to EPCOR on a daily basis the volume of gas to be delivered to the customer’s Terminal Location plus the Forecasted UFG rate and Fuel Ratio. Transportation charges vary depending on the Ontario Delivery Point at the rates provided in this Rate Schedule. The Forecasted UFG rate is as set out in this Rate Schedule, and the Fuel Ratio is the Shipper Supplied Fuel rates of the Ontario Delivery Point related to necessary compressor or other fuel requirements of the Upstream Service Provider.

The Gas Supply calculation shall equal:

$$[(\text{Daily volume of gas to be delivered}) * (1 + \text{Forecasted UFG}) * (1 + \text{Fuel Ratio})]$$

**Terms and Conditions of Service**

1. EPCOR receives upstream services under the Union Gas Limited M17 Rate Schedule. Details of this upstream arrangement and associated nomination standards, applicable Fuel Ratio, and Load Balancing Arrangement are available at [www.uniongas.com](http://www.uniongas.com).
2. The provisions in the “EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership General Terms and Conditions for Rate 16 Customers” apply, as contemplated therein, to service under this Rate Schedule.

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## **RATE T1 – Direct Purchase Contract Rate**

### **Availability**

Rate T1 is available to all customers or their agent who enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to EPCOR. The availability of this option is subject to EPCOR obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with EPCOR's Upstream Service Provider for direct purchase volume.

### **Eligibility**

All customers who must, or elect to, purchase gas directly from a supplier other than EPCOR. These customers must enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a receipt point listed on the upstream transportation contract that EPCOR has with the Upstream Service Provider ("**Ontario Delivery Point**").

### **Rate**

All charges in the customer's appropriate Rate Schedule excluding Gas Supply Charge shall apply. Applicable Transportation and Storage charges are determined based on the Ontario Delivery Point.

In addition, administration fees apply to customers who elect to enter into a T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR and are detailed in the Direct Purchase Contract with the customer or its agent.

For gas delivered to EPCOR at any point other than the Ontario Delivery Point, EPCOR will charge the customer or their agent all approved tolls and charges incurred by EPCOR to transport the gas to the Ontario Delivery Point.

### **Unaccounted for Gas:**

Forecasted Unaccounted for Gas (UFG) is applied to all volumes of gas supplied:

<b>Forecasted Unaccounted for Gas Percentage</b>	0.00 %
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### **Gas Supply:**

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must deliver firm gas at a daily volume acceptable to EPCOR, to an Ontario Delivery Point, and, where applicable, must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

The customer or its agent must deliver to EPCOR on a daily basis, at the Ontario Delivery Point, the volume of gas to be delivered to the customer's Terminal Location plus the Forecasted UFG rate and Fuel Ratio. Where the Forecasted UFG rate is as set out in this Rate Schedule, and the Fuel Ratio is the Shipper Supplied Fuel rates of the Ontario Delivery Point related to necessary compressor or other fuel requirements of the Upstream Service Provider.

The Gas Supply calculation shall equal:

$$[(\text{Daily volume of gas to be delivered}) * (1 + \text{Forecasted UFG}) * (1 + \text{Fuel Ratio})]$$

**Terms and Conditions of Service**

The provisions in the “T-Service Receipt Contract General Terms and Conditions” apply, as contemplated therein, to service under this Rate Schedule.

Effective: July 1, 2025

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after July 1, 2025

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**Schedule of Miscellaneous and Service Charges**

<b>A</b>		<b>B</b>
<b>Service</b>		<b>Fee</b>
1	Service Work	
2	During normal working hours	
3	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$100.00
4	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$100.00
5	Outside normal working hours	
6	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$130.00
7	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$105.00
8		
9	Miscellaneous Charges	
10	Returned Cheque / Payment	\$20.00
11	Replies to a request for account information	\$25.00
12	Bill Reprint / Statement Print Requests	\$20.00
13	Consumption Summary Requests	\$20.00
14	Customer Transfer / Connection Charge	\$35.00
15		
16	Reconnection Charge	\$85.00
17		
18	Inactive Account Charge	ENGLP's cost to install service
19		
20	Late Payment Charge	1.5% / month, 19.56% / year (effective rate of 0.04896% compounded daily)
21		
22		
23	Meter Tested at Customer Request Found to be Accurate	Charge based on actual costs
24	Installation of Service Lateral <sup>(1)</sup>	No charge for the first 30 meters

Note: Applicable taxes will be added to the above charges

<sup>1</sup> No Charge for initial connection