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LETTER OF COMMENT

Comments:

As a responsible branch of the Ontario Government, the OEB has a responsibility to comply with provincial and federal initiatives in combating climate change. As a regulator of fossil fuels, you are clearly aware of the science behind the relationship of fossil fuels to climate change and of the, now, seasonal forest fire crises that Ontario and Canada experience EVERY spring and summer. Our provincial and federal governments have numerous programs in place to incentivize reductions in fossil fuel use - of which I'm sure you are well-aware. Clearly the OEC and the Ministry of the Environment should be working toward common goals. My suggestion is simple and, at least for now, a win-win-win for the gas company, consumers and the environment. If the OEC deems the gas company's application to have merit - they can allow the company to apply an increase in deliver fees to consumers. However, this increase should be applied in DIRECT PROPORTION to the amount of gas consumed. Thus a win, as well, for the customer AND the environment -as people hopefully will be more aware of usage reduction. The OEC has an opportunity to make a vital, ethical decision here. You can, if justified, increase the delivery rates even higher than suggested -to please the gas company- BUT you will incentivize responsible gas usage by consumers. In other words, if you use a lot of gas, you pay more for the amount delivered to you home. Perhaps the gas companies will claim that the OEC has no right to tell them how to run the details of their business? Then, DO NOT allow this increase - that is your responsibility. If they agree to this reasonable, ethical way of behaving responsibly for the years leading up to the production of clean energy alternatives for all - they can have their increase. Thank you for the work that you do and for considering this.

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