



## **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

## Application for natural gas distribution rates and other charges effective January 1, 2026

## PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 September 11, 2025

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (EPCOR Natural Gas) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 1, 2025 under section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to its natural gas rates in its Southern Bruce service area effective **January 1**, **2026**.

The application will be heard by commissioner Anthony Zlahtic.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on August 22, 2025, followed by a revised Letter of Direction on August 26, 2025. No persons applied for intervenor status.

The OEB is making provision for the following related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from EPCOR Natural Gas that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on EPCOR Natural Gas by October 3, 2025.
- 2. EPCOR Natural Gas shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories by **October 17, 2025**.
- 3. Any written submissions by OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on EPCOR Natural Gas by **October 31, 2025**.
- 4. EPCOR Natural Gas may file a written reply submission with the OEB by **November 14, 2025.**

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **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 <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u>.

Please quote file number, **EB-2025-0178** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online</u> filing portal.

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS)</u> <u>Document Guidelines</u> found at the <u>File documents online page</u> on the OEB's website.
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Randy Doradat at <a href="mailto:Randy.Doradat@oeb.ca">Randy.Doradat@oeb.ca</a> and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at <a href="mailto:Michael.Millar@oeb.ca">Michael.Millar@oeb.ca</a>.

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DATED at Toronto, September 11, 2025

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

By delegation, before: Ritchie Murray

Ritchie Murray Acting Registrar