

EB-2025-0155

Enbridge Gas Inc.

Application for the Disposition of Deferral and Variance Account Balances

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 December 18, 2025

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 30, 2025 under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for the disposition of balances in certain deferral and variance accounts.

The application will be heard by commissioners: Patrick Moran (presiding), Alison Duff, and David Sword.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on November 24, 2025. Each of Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME), City of Kitchener, Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), Federation of Rentalhousing Providers of Ontario (FRPO), Ginoogaming First Nation (GFN), Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA), Minogi Corp. (Minogi), Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers (OGVG), Pollution Probe, School Energy Coalition (SEC), Six Nations Natural Gas Company Limited (SNNG) and Three Fires Group Inc. (TFG) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility. All intervention requests with the exception of City of Kitchener and SNNG also applied for cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Enbridge Gas.

All organizations that applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility are approved as intervenors and are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's <u>Practice</u> <u>Direction on Cost Awards</u>.

The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order.

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

Consistent with the OEB's <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u>, parties are reminded that, in determining the amount of a cost award, the OEB will consider (among other things) whether the cost eligible party has demonstrated through its participation and documented in its cost claim that it has made reasonable efforts to: (a) combine its intervention with that of one or more similarly interested parties and to co-operate with all other parties, and (b) ensure that its participation was not unduly repetitive and was focused on relevant and material issues.

Being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed. Cost awards are made by way of OEB order at the end of a hearing.

Confidentiality

As part of its application, Enbridge Gas requested confidential treatment of the Storage RFP Summary at Exhibit D, Tab 2, Schedule 2. The Storage RFP Summary contains vendor responses for third party storage information including terms, pricing and injection and withdrawal offers.

In accordance with the OEB's <u>Practice Direction on Confidential Filings</u> (Practice Direction), Enbridge Gas filed a redacted copy of the document. An unredacted copy of the document was filed separately in confidence.

Any objection by a party or OEB staff to the confidentiality request must be submitted in accordance with sections 5.1.6 and 5.1.7 of the Practice Direction. Enbridge Gas may respond to any objections in accordance with section 5.1.8 of the Practice Direction.

Interrogatories

At this time, provision is being made for written interrogatories. Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u> regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

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:

- 1. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Enbridge Gas that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **January 23, 2026**.
- Enbridge Gas shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on OEB staff and all intervenors by February 13, 2026.

Direction for preparing materials

- 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 Rules of Practice and Procedure.
- Filings should clearly state the filing date and the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- Other than for applications or as otherwise required or directed by the OEB, parties are not required to submit a cover letter for materials that are self-evident (e.g., interrogatories, submissions) unless the cover letter includes a request or additional information not included in the materials themselves.
- Parties are strongly encouraged to use bookmarks in their filings to aid in navigation.
- Parties should not append to their evidence entire OEB documents (e.g., decisions, policy documents, guidelines). Rather, parties should provide citations to the documents and a clear and concise summary of the relevant part(s) of the document. Parties are encouraged to use hyperlinks for complete, permanent, and publicly available versions of the documents, when possible.
- Parties should refrain from quoting material from documents unless it is essential to support their interrogatories or arguments.
- Parties are not required to provide a summary of the procedural history of a proceeding but may refer to that history where and to the extent needed for context to orient an issue or discussion.
- Parties must: (a) disclose where generative artificial intelligence was used to generate content included in a filing and (b) confirm that the accuracy of the portion of the filing generated by generative artificial intelligence has been

verified by the party or its representative without the assistance of generative artificial intelligence.

How to file documents with the OEB

- Parties are required to quote file number (i.e., EB-2025-0155) for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format (i.e., no printing or copying restrictions) with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online filing</u> portal.
- Parties should 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.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Parties are
 encouraged to visit the <u>File documents online page</u> of the OEB's website for
 more information. Parties that are eligible for a cost award and that do not
 currently have an account in the cost claim portal should create an account as
 soon as their cost award eligibility has been confirmed by the OEB. All parties
 shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim for the purposes of service on
 the party(ies) paying cost awards as per the <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u>.
- 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, Catherine Nguyen at Catherine.Nguyen@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **December 18, 2025**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Ritchie Murray

Ritchie Murray Acting Registrar

SCHEDULE A LIST OF APPLICANT AND INTERVENORS ENBRIDGE GAS INC EB-2025-0155 PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 December 18, 2025

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