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Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

RE: Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. - 2009 Rates - Questions for Technical Conference Ontario Energy Board File Number EB-2008-0219

Please find attached the Phase 1 technical conference questions of the Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators for Enbridge Gas Distribution.

Yours truly,

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cc. Norm Ryckman, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Enbridge Gas Distribution

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## ENBRIDGE GAS DISTRIBUTION INC. EB-2008-0219

## Questions of the Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators December 4-5 Technical Conference

1. Ref: Exhibit B, Tab1, Schedule 5, page 2, Table 2
Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 5, Appendix A, page 1

Please explain the interrelationship between the 2009 volumes shown for unbundled customers in Table 2 on page 2 of Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 5 (74.2 106m3) and the 2009 budget volumes shown for Rate 300 in Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 5, Appendix A, page 1 (51.7 106m3).

2. Ref: Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 5, page 16, para. 26

Please explain more fully what Enbridge means, within the context of this paragraph, by the statement that reads: "Specifically, this rate design change reflects the implementation of increasing monthly customer charges for Rate 1 and Rate 6 on a revenue neutral basis by reducing variable charges accordingly and increasing both fixed and variable charges for other rate classes."

- 3. Ref: Exhibit B, Tab 3, Schedule 1, page 3, para. 12
  - a. As an example of the general methodology used to arrive at the T-service rate impacts set out in this paragraph, please describe how the rate impact shown for Rate 115 was determined.
  - b. Please explain how the T-service rate impact for Rate 100 was determined given that there are no Rate 100 volumes being forecast for 2009.
- 4. Ref: Exhibit B, Tab 3, Schedule 1, page 6, para. 21

What distribution-related costs are recovered from the load balancing and commodity charges?

- 5. Ref: Exhibit B, Tab 3, Schedule 1, page 7, para. 23-25
  - a. Is the assigned revenue requirement the starting point for designing the proposed rates for 2009? If not, please indicate what the initial point is.
  - b. Please describe each of the subsequent steps to arrive at the proposed rates.
  - c. Please illustrate the derivation of the proposed rates using Rate 115 as an example.