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**EB-2026-0157 Enbridge 2027 Rates Application
Pollution Probe Interrogatories**

Dear Mr. Murray:

In accordance with OEB direction, please find attached Pollution Probe's interrogatories to the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Pollution Probe.



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**Enbridge Gas Inc.
2027 Rates Application**

POLLUTION PROBE INTERROGATORIES

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A-PP-1

Reference: In this Application, Enbridge Gas seeks approval of interim distribution rates for each rate zone for the year commencing January 1, 2027, including all adjustments resulting from the application of Enbridge Gas's OEB-approved IRM rate adjustment.

- a) Please indicate what components of the 2027 rate application are for interim rate approval and which components relate to final rate approval.
- b) For each component where interim rates are requested, please indicate why and when Enbridge proposes to apply for final 2027 rates for each element.

A-PP-2

Reference: Enbridge Gas respectfully requests that the OEB establish a process to allow the IRM rate adjustment to be reviewed and approved, including approval received on the Rate Order by November 24, 2026, so that the resulting rates can be implemented on a final basis in conjunction with the January 1, 2027 QRAM application.

- a) If the IRM Rate adjustment and the Phase 1 Rate Order is approved on a final basis, please confirm that a separate Rate Order will be required in Phase 2 of this proceeding. If not, please explain.
- b) Please explain the impact if the OEB is not able to provide a Decision on Phase 1 by November 24, 2026.

A-PP-3

Reference: The request for approval of 2027 rates on an interim basis is made because Enbridge Gas has a current appeal before the Ontario Divisional Court that, if successful, could result in a change to the base 2024 rates that would then result in changes to rates for subsequent years. [A/2/1, page 3]

- a) Please explain what impact this could have on 2027 rates.
- b) Please provide an update on the current status of the Enbridge Gas appeal noted above.

B-PP-4

Reference: B/1/1 Table 1

Please explain the why the annual DSM budget should be decreased in 2027 rates. Would it not be more prudent to maintain the 2026 rates related to the annual DSM budget in 2027 until an OEB Decision is available.

B-PP-5

Reference: Enbridge Gas has updated 2027 rates to capture LRAM volume impacts of final audited 2024 LRAM volumes relative to the assumption that was included in 2024 board approved volumes. [B/1/1, page 8]

- a) Please provide the reconciliation of 2024 LRAM volumes and related rate impacts by rate class that reconciles to the 2027 rate adjustments proposed.
- b) Please confirm what year LRAM adjustments will no longer be required due to the volume true-up accounts currently used by Enbridge Gas.

B-PP-6

Reference: Enbridge Gas agrees that it will propose an IRP incentive mechanism in its next IRP Plan application to the OEB, to be filed within one year of the date that this Settlement Proposal is filed. If there is no IRP Plan application within the next year, then Enbridge Gas will file a standalone application or request to the OEB for approval of an IRP incentive mechanism within that same timeframe. [B/1/1, Appendix A]

Please confirm the status and deadline for this commitment.

B-PP-7

Reference: Enbridge Gas will work with the IRP Technical Working Group to identify one or two system pruning pilot projects, which will be implemented by 2026. [B/1/1, Appendix A]

Please confirm the status and deadline for this commitment.

C-PP-8

Reference: Working Papers, Schedule 8.

- a) Please explain how the total capital deduction amount in part a (above) matches the capital overhead reduction amount required by the OEB.
- b) Enbridge identifies the reduction in capitalized overheads for 2027 as equivalent to \$47,066,000 for 2027. Please explain if Enbridge is requesting approval for \$47,066,000 of incremental O&M or if this amount is already contained within the O&M envelope previously approved for the 2025 to 2028 term.
- c) Please explain why the reduction in capitalized overheads for 2027 is significantly lower than the adjustment made for 2026.