

## **DECISION**

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Enbridge Gas New Brunswick for approval for reinstatement of distribution for the Small General Service, Residential Oil, Small General Service Commercial distribution classes as of December 1, 2007.

November 21, 2007

Enbridge Gas New Brunswick ("Enbridge"), filed a rate reinstatement application with the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board (the "Board") on November 15, 2007. The application requested approval for reinstatement of distribution rates for the Small General Service Residential Oil, Small General Service Commercial, distribution classes as of December 1, 2007.

Section 56 of the Gas Distribution Act states that a distributor shall not make any change to its rates or tariffs for distribution without Board approval and after a proceeding determined by the Board. The rate rider mechanism, approved in June of 2000, allows the company to lower its rates below the maximum approved rate for a class. The rate reinstatement mechanism, which allows the company to increase its rates up to the maximum approved rate, was approved by the Board in November of 2003.

The distribution rates currently charged by Enbridge for those classes involved in this application are lower than the Board's maximum approved rates. Current rates for the Small General Service Residential Oil, Small General Service Commercial were approved on October 22, 2007.

Enbridge's requested rates would not exceed the maximum rates approved by the Board. The following is Enbridge's rate proposal:

	Approved Delivery Rate	Current Reduced Delivery Rate	Rate Reinstatement	Proposed Delivery Rate
Rate Class	(\$/GJ)	(\$/GJ)	(\$/GJ)	(\$/GJ)
Small General Service Residential Oil	\$7.6212	\$7.3173	\$0.3039	\$7.6212
Small General Service Commercial	\$7.6212	\$7.0653	\$0.5559	\$7.6212

The Board has reviewed Enbridge's rate reinstatement application that included its written rationale and supporting market data. The Board has considered other market information in its review of the application. The Board has not received any comments from the gas marketers with respect to this application.

The Board approves Enbridge's rate reinstatement application for a change in rates effective December 1, 2007, subject to the filing of the revised rate schedule with the Board.

Raymond Gorman, Q.C., Chairman

Cyril W. Johnston, Vice-Chairman

Roger McKenzie, Member

Yvon Normandeau, Member