# Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2009-0309

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., pursuant to section 36(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas as of October 1, 2009;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism approved by the Ontario Energy Board in RP-2000-0040, in RP-2002-0133 and in RP-2003-0203.

**BEFORE:** Ken Quesnelle

Member

### **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

## Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge" or the "Company") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dated September 2, 2009 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective October 1, 2009 (the "Application"). Enbridge indicated that the Application was prepared in accordance with the process for Enbridge's Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism approved by the Board.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on September 22, 2009, and directed parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no later than October 2, 2009. If Enbridge had any comments concerning the claims, these concerns were to be

forwarded to the Board and copied to all parties by October 9, 2009. Any responses to Enbridge's comments were to be filed with the Board and Enbridge by October 16, 2009.

The Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME") and the Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA") filed cost claims with the Board and copied Enbridge.

On October 8, 2009, Enbridge filed comments stating that it has no objection to CME's and IGUA's cost claims.

The Board has reviewed CME's and IGUA's cost claims and finds that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that CME's and IGUA's cost claims are reasonable and will be reimbursed by Enbridge.

### THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay:

Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters \$1,181.25; and

Industrial Gas Users Association
\$ 621.45

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, December 2, 2009.

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary