



**EB-2012-0055**

**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. for an order or orders approving the  
clearance or disposition of amounts recorded in certain  
deferral or variance accounts.

**BEFORE:** Paula Conboy  
Presiding Member

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**  
**June 26, 2013**

**Background**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“Enbridge”) filed an application dated May 11, 2012 with the Board under section 36 of the Act, for an order or orders approving the disposition of balances in certain deferral or variance accounts established by the Board’s Decision and Order in EB-2010-0146 dated November 25, 2010.

On June 4, 2012, the Board issued Notice of Application & Procedural Order No. 1, and determined that it would adopt the List of Intervenors approved in the Enbridge 2013 Cost of Service proceeding (Board File No. EB-2011-0354). The Board stated that parties deemed eligible for an award of costs in the EB-2011-0354 proceeding shall also be eligible to claim an award of costs in this proceeding.

On March 14, 2013, the Board issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Enbridge.

On May 2, 2013, the Board issued its Decision and Rate Order.

Cost claims were submitted by the Association of Power Producers of Ontario (“APPPrO”), Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (“CME”), Consumers Council of Canada (“CCC”), Energy Probe Research Foundation (“Energy Probe”), Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (“FRPO”) and School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) by the May 16, 2013 deadline specified in the Decision and Rate Order. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”) submitted its cost claim on May 27, 2013. No comments were received from Enbridge.

### **Board Findings**

The Board has reviewed the cost claims of APPPrO, CME, CCC, Energy Probe, FRPO, SEC and VECC. The Board accepts the cost claims filed by APPPrO, CME, CCC, Energy Probe, FRPO and SEC. The Board accepts the cost claim filed by VECC notwithstanding the late filing.

The Board finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The claims of APPPrO and CME each require a minor reduction due to lack of receipts. The Board finds that the claims of CCC, Energy Probe, FRPO, SEC and VECC and the adjusted claims of APPPrO and CME are reasonable and each of these claims shall 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 the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

- Association of Power Producers of Ontario \$9,776.66;
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters \$35,733.08;
- Consumers Council of Canada \$12,939.63;

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- Energy Probe Research Foundation \$10,647.21;
  - Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario \$22,834.79;
  - School Energy Coalition \$8,184.00; and
  - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$8,587.52.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, June 26, 2013

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary