



EB-2008-0263

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, 2008;

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”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) dated August 29, 2008 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective October 1, 2008 (the “Application”). The Board assigned file number EB-2008-0263 to the Application.

Enbridge indicated that the Application was prepared in accordance with the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“QRAM”) approved by the Board in RP-2000-0040 and described in Issue 2.2 of the Settlement Proposal for RP-2000-0040. The mechanism was subsequently modified and approved by the Board in RP-2002-0133 as described

under Issue 4.2 of that Settlement Proposal and under issue 15.11 of the RP-2003-0203 Settlement Proposal.

The Board issued its Decision on September 25, 2008, and directed parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no later than October 6, 2008. If Enbridge had any comments concerning the claims, these concerns were to be forwarded to the Board and copied to all parties by October 13, 2008. Any responses to Enbridge's comments were to be filed with the Board and Enbridge by October 20, 2008.

The Industrial Gas Users Association ("IGUA") filed a cost claim with the Board and copied Enbridge.

On October 14, 2008, Enbridge filed comments stating that they did not oppose IGUA's cost claim.

The Board has reviewed IGUA's cost claim and finds IGUA to be entitled to 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board also finds the cost claim to be reasonable and approves it.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Enbridge shall immediately pay IGUA its costs equal to \$1,713.82.
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 1, 2008

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary