



EB-2010-0048

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 April 1, 2010;

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism approved by the Ontario Energy Board in proceedings: RP-2000-0040, RP-2002-0133, RP-2003-0203 and EB-2008-0106.

By delegation, before: Adrian Pye

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“Enbridge”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) dated March 11, 2010 for an order approving or fixing rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas effective April 1, 2010. Enbridge indicated that the Application was prepared in accordance with the process for Enbridge’s Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“QRAM”) approved by the Board. The Application includes the rate impacts and revenue adjustment approved in the Board’s Decision and Rate Order in EB-2009-0172 dated March 8, 2010 and the disposition of 2008 Deferral and Variance account balances as approved by the Board in EB-2009-0055 on January 6, 2010.

The Board has assigned file number EB-2010-0048 to the Application.

A Decision and Order was issued on March 23, 2010, and directed parties to file their cost claims with the Board and Enbridge no later than April 8, 2010. Enbridge had until April 15, 2010 to object to any aspect of the costs claimed. Any responses to Enbridge's comments were to be filed with the Board and Enbridge by April 22, 2010.

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

On April 15, 2010, Enbridge filed a letter stating that it had no objections to IGUA's and CME's cost claims.

I find that CME is entitled to 100% of its claimed costs of participating in this proceeding. I have made one adjustment to IGUA's cost claim. IGUA's cost claim is reduced by \$10.50 (tax included) to remove a claim unrelated to this proceeding. Subject to this adjustment, I find that IGUA is entitled to 100% of its claimed costs in this proceeding.

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 \$1,347.72; and
 - CME its costs equal to \$775.43.
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, May 10, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Adrian Pye
Manager, Licence Applications