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BY EMAIL AND RESS

Ms. Nancy Marconi
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. (“EGI”) Application for 2024-2028 Natural Gas Distribution Rates (EB-2022-0200) (“Proceeding”) Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) Staff and Intervener Evidence

We represent the Association of Power Producers of Ontario (“APPrO”) in relation to the above-noted Proceeding. On December 16, 2022, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 requesting interveners to inform the OEB of their intention to file evidence or expert evidence in the Proceeding.

While APPrO does not take a position on the proposed evidence of the OEB and other interveners, on a principled basis APPrO supports the eligibility of other interveners for cost recovery of such evidence filed in this Proceeding. The scope and scale of the Proceeding necessitates the OEB to canvass a wide range of perspectives, including evidence from a variety of experts on the same subject matter. APPrO agrees with the OEB that perspectives of other experts on EGI’s application will contribute to informed decision making, therefore benefitting ratepayers.

APPrO also supports the Industrial Gas Users Association’s proposal for interim cost recovery. According to the OEB’s Proceeding schedule, a decision is not expected until November 26, 2023 wherein the OEB typically requests submissions on cost claims. Intervenors could be unfairly carrying costs for over a year without reimbursement. This financial impairment could affect the ability of some interveners to participate in other OEB proceedings.

In closing, APPrO does not presently intend to file evidence in this Proceeding. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Colm Boyle'.

Colm Boyle