

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP) 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 January 1, 2024;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism.

**APPLICATION**

1. As part of the EB-2023-0269 Decision and Rate Order dated September 21, 2023, the Ontario Energy Board (“Board”) approved a PGCVA reference price of \$0.221451 per m<sup>3</sup>, a GPRA approved level of \$0.007525 per m<sup>3</sup>, and a gas supply charge of \$0.229411 per m<sup>3</sup>, all effective October 1, 2023.
2. Based on actual and forecast natural gas prices for the January, 2023 through December, 2023 period the PGCVA balance is projected to be a charge of approximately \$2.89 per residential customer.
3. ENGLP has filed its evidence based on the gas commodity charges that result from the Enbridge Gas Inc. EB-2023-0330 January 1, 2024 QRAM application dated December 8, 2023.
4. ENGLP hereby applies to the Board for further orders effective January 1, 2024:
  - a) an order changing the reference price authorized by the Board’s EB-2023-0269 Decision and Rate Order for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account

No. 179-27) by \$0.031134 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of \$0.221451 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup>;

- b) an order changing the recovery amount authorized by the Board's EB-2023-0269 Decision and Rate Order for use in clearing the amounts in the Gas Purchasing Rebalancing Account (GPRA) by \$0.010571 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of \$0.007525 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.018096 per m<sup>3</sup>;
  - c) an order changing the rates and other charges from those authorized by the Board's EB-2023-0269 Decision and Rate Order to reflect a projected \$0.020563 per m<sup>3</sup> change in the gas supply charge from the Board approved level of \$0.229411 m<sup>3</sup> to a projected cost of \$0.208848 per m<sup>3</sup>. These changes are the sum of the change in the PGCVA reference price, the change required to prospectively clear the balance of the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account and the continuation of the system gas supply cost approved in EB-2018-0336.
5. This application will be supported by written evidence that will be pre-filed with the Board and intervenors of record in EB-2018-0336.
6. Pursuant to the criteria established in the Board's EB-2008-0106 Decision, below is the Board's direction with respect to the timeline for processing the application:
- \* Parties to this proceeding wishing to make comments on the application may do so by filing such submissions with the Registrar and ENGLP no later than 4:45 p.m. five calendar days following the filing of the QRAM application;
  - \* ENGLP shall reply to any comments received by filing such replies with the Registrar and serving an electronic copy on all parties who make submissions no later than 4:45 p.m. three calendar days following receipt of comments;

\* The Board issues its Decision and Order by the 25th of December for implementation effective January 1, 2024.

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Dated at Collingwood, Ontario, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

**EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

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# **EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

## **A. INTRODUCTION**

As part of the EB-2023-0269 Decision and Rate Order dated September 21, 2023, the Ontario Energy Board (“Board”) approved a Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (“PGCVA”) reference price of \$0.221451 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas commodity charge of \$0.229411 per m<sup>3</sup>, both effective October 1, 2023 for EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (“ENGLP”).

In RP-2002-0147/EB-2003-0286 (Accounting Order dated January 30, 2004), the Board approved a Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account (“GPRA”) to record the increase (decrease) in the value of the gas inventory available for sale to sales service customers due to changes in ENGLP’s PGCVA reference price. This account was maintained in the EB-2018-0336 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated July 4, 2019. In EB-2023-0269, the Board approved a GPRA rate of \$0.007525 per m<sup>3</sup>.

ENGLP is proposing to adjust the gas supply charge, the GPRA rate and the PGCVA reference price effective January 1, 2024 to reflect an updated forecast of gas costs, the projected balance in the PGCVA and the projected balance in the GPRA.

## **B. PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT**

### Updated Forecasts

Based on actual and forecast costs, the PGCVA account balance totals a charge of \$2.89 per average residential customer for the twelve-month period ending December, 2023 (Schedule 2).

The current forecast reflects the forecast for natural gas prices over the relevant period. These gas prices reflect current contracts and current market conditions, including

1 alternative energy prices, demand for natural gas, the weather outlook and the impact of  
2 current storage levels. These impacts are reflected in the concurrent EB-2023-0330  
3 QRAM application dated December 8, 2023 for the Union South rate zone filed by  
4 Enbridge Gas Inc. (“Enbridge”).

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6 The PGCVA balance has been calculated using the most recent information available,  
7 including actual volumes and costs through October, 2023. The remaining months in the  
8 twelve-month period ending December, 2023 are calculated using estimated prices and  
9 volumes based on the best information available at the time of filing.

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11 Forecast prices have been used for the period January, 2024, through December, 2024  
12 period, and reflect the prices that result from existing contracts that are currently in place.

### 13 14 **C. GAS SUPPLY PORTFOLIO**

15  
16 The gas supply portfolio reflects the current and forecasted mix of delivery points utilized  
17 by ENGLP for system gas purchases. In particular, the gas supply portfolio reflected in  
18 this QRAM application reflects the Detailed Supply/Demand Forecast found in Appendix  
19 C to ENGLP’s Annual Gas Supply Plan Update (EB-2023-0111) filed on April 28, 2023.  
20 This is consistent with the intention that QRAM filings would reflect and align with the  
21 most recent gas supply plan filing that has been reviewed by the Board.

22  
23 ENGLP’s gas supply portfolio continues to include system gas purchases from Enbridge  
24 and from a local producer. Beginning in July 2023, ENGLP began purchasing renewable  
25 natural gas (“RNG”) from a local producer located in its franchise area.

26  
27 ENGLP is a system gas customer on the Enbridge system on behalf of its own system gas  
28 customers. ENGLP continues to have direct purchase customers on its system and  
29 continues to ensure that they continue to balance their supply with their demand.

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1 In addition to the system gas purchased from Enbridge noted above, ENGLP purchases  
2 gas from a local producer in its franchise area. The monthly purchases for each of the  
3 sources of supply are consistent with the figures in the annual gas supply update that was  
4 filed with the Board on April 28, 2023 (EB-2023-0111) as noted above, with the  
5 following exception. As noted in EB-2023-0111, RNG gas was expected to be purchased  
6 beginning in May, 2023. Due to supply chain issues, this production was delayed and  
7 began producing into the ENGLP system in early July, 2023.

8  
9 The composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the January, 2023 through  
10 December, 2023 period is shown on the top of Schedule 3. This schedule shows the  
11 monthly volume of gas purchased or forecast to be purchased from the local producers  
12 and from Enbridge. Similarly, the composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for  
13 the January, 2024 through December, 2024 period is shown on the top of Schedule 6.

#### 14 15 **D. HISTORICAL GAS COSTS**

16  
17 ENGLP's actual and forecast gas costs for the January, 2022 through December, 2023  
18 period, by source of supply, are shown in Schedule 4 in \$/GJ. These prices are also  
19 shown in the middle section of Schedule 3 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The bottom section of Schedule 3  
20 shows the composition of the total system gas costs. The conversion factor used to  
21 convert \$/m<sup>3</sup> to \$/GJ is based on the heat values used by Enbridge in their calculation of  
22 ENGLP's Banked Gas Account balances. These conversion factors are shown in  
23 Schedule 4. All prices and costs shown are actual prices paid in January, 2023 through  
24 October, 2023. Prices for the remaining months in this period are based on estimated  
25 prices to be paid in those months. The costs shown for these remaining months are based  
26 on both the estimated prices to be paid and the estimated volumes to be purchased.

#### 27 28 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing

29 Prices paid to Enbridge are based on the Board approved Union South Total Gas Supply  
30 Commodity Charge for Utility Sales.

1 Local Production (A)

2 ENGL has not purchased any gas under the Local Production (A) since the contract  
3 expired at the end of September, 2020. Therefore, as shown in Schedules 3 and 6,  
4 volumes, prices and costs associated with Local Production (A) are shown as zero for all  
5 months shown in those schedules.

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7 Local Production (B)

8 ENGLP entered into an Amending Agreement dated January 25, 2021 to the gas purchase  
9 contract noted above (that covered both Local Production (A) and (B) volumes) for this  
10 gas based on a pricing mechanism similar to that paid for Local Production (C) as  
11 explained below. Specifically, the commodity rate for this gas is calculated based on  
12 both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to  
13 that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas supply  
14 commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge.  
15 These charges are found in Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules and  
16 in Enbridge's M9 rate schedule, respectively. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas  
17 supply commodity charge (inclusive of commodity rate adjustments) from Enbridge for  
18 all gas delivered to ENGLP under this contract. The formula used to determine the price  
19 to paid for this gas is:

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21 
$$\text{Price (\$/m}^3\text{)} = \text{Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content} \times ((\text{Enbridge Total}$$
  
22 
$$\text{Gas Supply Commodity Charge} \times 0.95) + \text{Enbridge M9 Delivery Commodity Charge}).$$

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24 ENGLP notes that unlike the Local Production (C) pricing described below, there is no  
25 firm contract demand charge associated with the Local Production (B) gas.

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27 The Amending Agreement had a term to September 30, 2023. A Second Amending  
28 Agreement was put in place near the end of September, 2023 that covered the production  
29 in October, 2023. A Third Amending Agreement was signed in late October, 2023 that  
30 has a term to October 31, 2024. There are no changes to the pricing formula from that in

1 the original Amending Agreement. For forecasting purposes for the November, 2024  
2 through December, 2024 period, ENGLP has assumed that the pricing mechanism in the  
3 current contract remains in place for this period.

4  
5 Local Production (C)

6 ENGLP entered into a contract with a local gas producer (Lagasco) for volumes to be  
7 purchased and delivered to its franchise area. The required Lagasco and ENGLP facilities  
8 were completed in late December, 2019 and the gas began flowing under this contract on  
9 December 23, 2019. The gas purchase contract has a primary term which expires on  
10 October 31, 2024. These volumes are shown in Schedules 3 and 6 as Local Production  
11 (C). The contract includes a firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day.

12  
13 The commodity rate for this gas is calculated based on both the difference in the energy  
14 content of the gas purchased from Lagasco relative to that of the gas delivered by  
15 Enbridge, and the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge. This charge is found in  
16 Schedule "A" to the Enbridge Union South rate schedules. A 5% discount is applied to  
17 the total gas supply commodity charge from Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP up  
18 to the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day. The firm contract demand has been  
19 increased to 1,250 GJ/day effective November 1, 2023. The formula used to determine  
20 the price to paid for this gas is:

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22 
$$\text{Price (\$/m}^3\text{)} = \text{Local Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content} \times \text{Enbridge Total}$$
  
23 
$$\text{Gas Supply Commodity Charge} \times 0.95.$$

24  
25 The actual price paid will reflect Enbridge's Board approved total gas supply commodity  
26 charge and the actual heat content for both the Enbridge gas and the Lagasco gas.  
27 ENGLP notes that there will be a true up of the cost due to Lagasco invoicing ENGLP  
28 based on the forecast Enbridge heat content each month as the actual heat content is not  
29 available from Enbridge at the time the invoice is prepared. This cost difference, which  
30 ENGLP believes will continue to be small relative to the overall cost of the gas each



1 month, will continue to be reflected as an adjustment in subsequent invoices and is done  
2 on a quarterly basis. These quarterly adjustments will continue to be reflected in the  
3 PGCVA calculations in the month in which the adjustment is reflected in the invoices.

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5 As a result of the above adjustments, the actual monthly historical prices will not exactly  
6 match what would be generated by the above formula using the actual Enbridge heat  
7 content.

8  
9 For any gas delivered in excess of the firm contract demand of 1,200 GJ/day (1,250  
10 GJ/day effective November 1, 2023) delivered, the 5% discount will not apply to the  
11 price to be paid, and there will not be any incremental demand charges and no overrun  
12 charges.

13  
14 In addition to the above commodity price, ENGLP pays the local producer a delivery  
15 charge and a demand charge for the delivery of the gas into the distribution system up to  
16 1,200 GJ/day (1,250 GJ/day effective November 1, 2023). These charges are equal to the  
17 corresponding charges paid to Enbridge under the M9 rate schedule, adjusted for the  
18 relative difference in the heat content of the gas delivered. This adjustment for the  
19 relative difference in the heat content ensures that the cost associated with the delivery  
20 charges and demand charges paid to the local producer are equal to the cost reductions  
21 that will be experienced on the Enbridge system. These costs are tracked through  
22 ENGLP's Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account ("PGTVA"). ENGLP  
23 assesses its contract demand with Enbridge annually, to take effect November 1 of each  
24 year.

25  
26 ENGLP has maintained its level of contract demand from Enbridge for the year  
27 beginning November 1, 2023 at the same level as in the previous year. ENGLP has also  
28 forecast that this level would be maintained through to the end of 2024. The addition of  
29 the firm local production and RNG has allowed for the continuing growth in customer

1 attachments without any increased cost associated with a higher contract demand on the  
2 Enbridge system.

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#### 4 RNG Pricing

5 ENGLP has finalized the agreement with respect to the RNG purchases that began in July  
6 2023. The contract has a term of 10 years. The price paid for this gas is equal to the  
7 Enbridge gas supply commodity rate plus the Enbridge M9 delivery commodity charge,  
8 adjusted for the difference in energy content. The formula used to determine the price to  
9 paid for this gas is:

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11 Price (\$/m<sup>3</sup>) = RNG Producer Heat Content/Enbridge Heat Content x (Enbridge Total  
12 Gas Supply Commodity Charge + Enbridge M9 Delivery Commodity Charge).

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### 14 **E. FORECAST GAS COSTS**

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16 ENGLP's forecast gas costs for the January, 2024 through December, 2024 period, by  
17 source of supply, are shown in Schedule 7 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the  
18 middle section of Schedule 6 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The bottom section of Schedule 6 shows the  
19 composition of the total system gas costs. The conversion factor used to convert \$/m<sup>3</sup> to  
20 \$/GJ is based on the heat values used by Enbridge in their calculation of ENGLP's  
21 Banked Gas Account balances. These conversion factors are shown in Schedule 7. The  
22 costs shown are based on both the estimated prices to be paid and the estimated volumes  
23 to be purchased.

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25 Forecast gas prices for each of the sources of supply for the January, 2024 through  
26 December, 2024 period are described below.

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#### 28 Enbridge Gas Inc. System Gas Pricing

29 As noted earlier, ENGLP is a system gas purchaser on the Union Gas South (now  
30 Enbridge) system.

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2 The price forecast for this gas reflects Enbridge's QRAM application in EB-2023-0330  
3 dated December 8, 2023, where the gas supply commodity charge has been forecast as  
4 \$0.192506 per m<sup>3</sup> and is shown in the Enbridge Gas line on ENGLP's Schedule 6 and in  
5 \$/GJ on Schedule 7. The \$0.192506 per m<sup>3</sup> figure is taken from Enbridge's EB-2023-  
6 0330 application on line 4 in Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 7, Appendix A, page 6 of 17.  
7 This is Enbridge's Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for Utility Sales in the Union  
8 South operating area.

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10 The Total Gas Supply Commodity Charge for Utility Sales in the Union South operating  
11 area also directly impacts the price paid for gas purchased from the local producer noted  
12 in Schedule 6 under Local Production (B), Local Production (C) and RNG (see below).

13

14 At the time this application was prepared the Enbridge gas supply commodity charge for  
15 January 1, 2024 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the  
16 applied for and Board approved gas supply commodity charge for Enbridge will be  
17 reflected in ENGLP's next QRAM application and evidence.

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#### 19 Local Production (A)

20 As noted above, ENGLP no longer purchases any premium priced gas as the contract for  
21 this gas expired at the end of September, 2020.

22

#### 23 Local Production (B)

24 As noted above, the contract that covered the volumes under both Local Production (A)  
25 and Local Production (B) expired at the end of September, 2020. Further, as noted above  
26 in the Local Production (B) section of Historical Gas Costs, ENGLP entered into an  
27 Amending Agreement to this gas purchase contract for this gas based on a pricing  
28 mechanism similar to that paid for Local Production (C).

29

1 For volumes purchased for January, 2024 through December, 2024, and as noted above  
2 under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast  
3 based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco  
4 relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge total gas  
5 supply commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge paid to  
6 Enbridge. These charges are found in Schedule “A” to the Enbridge Union South rate  
7 schedules and in Enbridge’s M9 rate schedule, respectively. A 5% discount is applied to  
8 the total gas supply commodity charge (inclusive of commodity rate adjustments) from  
9 Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP. As noted above, there has been no change in  
10 the pricing formula in the new amending agreement that has a term to October 31, 2024.  
11 ENGLP has forecast the pricing methodology for this gas to be paid in November, 2024  
12 through December, 2024 to be the same as that currently in place.

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14 This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the January, 2024 through December, 2024 columns  
15 in the row labelled Local Production (B). The discount applied to the Enbridge total gas  
16 supply commodity charge results in lower costs for ENGLP’s system gas customers. If  
17 the production from these wells, which are located within ENGLP’s distribution franchise  
18 area were curtailed, this locally produced gas would need to be replaced with additional  
19 supplies from Enbridge which would result in a higher gas commodity cost and higher  
20 delivery charges paid to Enbridge. It may also result in a higher demand charge paid to  
21 Enbridge.

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23 The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery commodity charge in the cost of the gas reflects  
24 the fact that the Local Production (B) gas, which is produced in the ENGLP franchise  
25 area, results in a direct reduction of the delivery commodity charge paid to Enbridge of  
26 the same amount as that paid to the local producer.

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#### 28 Local Production (C)

29 As noted above under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate for this gas is calculated  
30 based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from Lagasco

1 relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the Enbridge total gas supply  
2 commodity charge. This charge is found in Schedule “A” to the Enbridge Union South  
3 rate schedules. A 5% discount is applied to the total gas supply commodity charge from  
4 Enbridge for all gas delivered to ENGLP up to the firm contract demand of 1,250 GJ/day  
5 effective November 1, 2023. Any gas taken on any day in excess of the 1,250 GJ/day is  
6 paid at the Enbridge total gas supply commodity charge for Union South, with no  
7 discount applied. ENGLP has not forecast any excess gas to be purchased since the gas  
8 supply plan assumes normal weather conditions and is based on the firm contract demand  
9 that underlies the Local Production (C) volumes included in the plan. Any such excess  
10 volumes would be small relative to the total volumes and the price differential is not large  
11 enough to have a significant impact on the overall average monthly forecast of the price  
12 of the total system gas purchases.

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14 As noted above under Historical Gas Costs, there will be a true up of the cost due to  
15 Lagasco invoicing ENGLP based on the forecast Enbridge heat content each month as the  
16 actual heat content is not available from Enbridge at the time the invoice is prepared.  
17 This cost difference, which ENGLP believes will continue to be small relative to the  
18 overall cost of the gas each month, will continue to be reflected as an adjustment in  
19 subsequent invoices and is done on a quarterly basis. These quarterly adjustments will  
20 continue to be reflected in the PGCVA calculations in the month in which the adjustment  
21 is reflected in the invoices.

### 22 23 RNG Pricing

24 For volumes purchased for January, 2024 through December, 2024, and as noted above  
25 under Historical Gas Costs, the commodity rate forecast for this gas has been forecast  
26 based on both the difference in the energy content of the gas purchased from the RNG  
27 producer relative to that of the gas delivered by Enbridge, and the sum of the Enbridge  
28 total gas supply commodity charge and the Board approved delivery commodity charge  
29 paid to Enbridge. These charges are found in Schedule “A” to the Enbridge Union South  
30 rate schedules and in Enbridge’s M9 rate schedule, respectively.

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2 This price is shown on Schedule 6 in the January, 2024 through December, 2024 columns  
3 in the row labelled RNG Production. The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery commodity  
4 charge in the cost of the gas reflects the fact that the RNG gas, which is produced in the  
5 ENGLP franchise area, results in a direct reduction of the delivery commodity charge  
6 paid to Enbridge of the same amount as that paid to the local RNG producer.

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### 8 Other Forecast Assumptions

9 The heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is 39.17 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered from  
10 Enbridge. This is consistent with the figure used by Enbridge in their current QRAM  
11 application. It is found in Exhibit E, Tab 2, Schedule 1 in EB-2023-0211, at Note 1 and  
12 also noted in paragraph 4 of Exhibit D, Tab 2, Schedule 1. ENGLP uses this conversion  
13 factor to calculate the cost in \$/GJ and for the pricing of the Local Production (B) gas, the  
14 Local Production (C) gas and the projected RNG volumes.

15

16 Beginning in December, 2019, ENGLP required the use of a heat value in the pricing of  
17 the gas purchased from Local Production (C), as noted above. The heat value used to  
18 convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is forecast at 38.87 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for gas delivered from Lagasco related to  
19 both the Local Production (C) and the Local Production (B) gas. This figure is  
20 representative of the actual heat values shown in Schedule 4. The heat value used to  
21 convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is forecast at 37.77 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for RNG gas delivered into the ENGLP  
22 system and is based on the actual heat content of the RNG for July, 2023. The Enbridge,  
23 Lagasco and RNG heat value forecasts are shown in Schedule 7.

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## 25 **F. PGCVA RATE CHANGES**

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### 27 Historical PGCVA Balance

28 The projected December, 2023 balance in the PGCVA is a debit of \$42,752.66 including  
29 a debit of \$44,863.11 in accumulated interest, based on the Board's prescribed interest  
30 rate. This estimate is based on actual and forecasted purchases and the balance brought

1 forward from December, 2022. The PGCVA debit amounts to a charge of approximately  
2 \$2.89 for a typical residential customer consuming approximately 1,917.0 m<sup>3</sup> per year.  
3 These figures are shown on Schedule 2.

#### 4 Proposed PGCVA Rate Changes

6 ENGLP proposes to adjust the reference price effective January 1, 2024 based on the  
7 projected accumulated balance in the PGCVA as of the end of December, 2023 and the  
8 forecasted cost of gas over the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2024 and  
9 ending December, 2024. The reference price is set such that the projected PGCVA  
10 balance at the end of December, 2024 is close to zero.

12 ENGLP's proposal will clear the PGCVA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the  
13 need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP's past proposals in  
14 QRAM applications, which have been accepted by the Board.

16 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price by \$0.031134 per m<sup>3</sup> effective January 1,  
17 2024, from \$0.221451 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup>. The derivation of this rate is shown  
18 in Schedule 5. This is the reference price required to bring the PGCVA balance close to  
19 zero on a twelve-month forecast basis. This change will also be reflected in the gas  
20 commodity charge.

### 22 **G. GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT**

24 The impact on the GPRA of the proposed January, 2024 PGCVA reference price change  
25 from \$0.221451 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup> is a debit of \$332,840.97, as shown on  
26 Schedule 8. This figure is shown in column (J) of Schedule 8 on the December, 2023  
27 line. It is calculated as the change in the PGCVA reference price between December,  
28 2023 and January, 2024, multiplied by the cumulative inventory balance at the end of  
29 December, 2023. This cumulative inventory balance is the sum of the actual monthly  
30 inventory balances for October, 2023 and forecasts for the two subsequent months.

1 These forecasts will be replaced with actual balances for these months in subsequent  
2 QRAM applications as this information becomes available. As well, the monthly  
3 inventory balances are based on a deemed level of unaccounted for gas (“UFG”) of the  
4 total throughput volume, as shown in column (E) of Schedule 8. The 0.0% is the Board  
5 approved level of UFG from EB-2018-0336.

6  
7 ENGLP proposes to adjust the gas commodity charge effective January 1, 2024 based on  
8 the projected accumulated balance in the GPRA. The adjustment to the gas commodity  
9 charge will be set such that the projected GPRA balance at the end of December, 2024  
10 will be close to zero. The rate required to achieve this is shown in column (K) on  
11 Schedule 8. Column (P) shows the reduction of the inventory revaluation balance based  
12 on this rate of \$0.018096 per m<sup>3</sup> over the January, 2024 through December, 2024 period.

13  
14 ENGLP’s proposal will clear the GPRA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the  
15 need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with ENGLP’s proposal for the  
16 continued prospective clearance of the PGCVA. This change will also be reflected in the  
17 gas commodity charge.

## 18 19 **H. GAS COMMODITY CHARGE**

20  
21 The system gas supply cost of \$0.000435 per m<sup>3</sup> will be maintained at the level approved  
22 in EB-2018-0336. This figure represents the incremental costs over and above the  
23 commodity and transportation costs that form the PGCVA reference price to the gas  
24 supply function. These incremental costs are portions of administrative and general  
25 expenses, regulatory and consulting fees associated with the QRAM applications, return  
26 on rate base (working cash allowance related to gas commodity) and income taxes. This  
27 functionalization was approved in EB-2018-0336.

28  
29 The change in the gas commodity charge proposed for January 1, 2024 is summarized  
30 below. The change in the gas commodity charge reflects both the change in the PGCVA



1 reference price and the change in the recovery of the inventory revaluation amount in the  
 2 GPRA. It also reflects the approved system gas supply cost. The change in the gas  
 3 commodity charge is as follows:

	EB-2023-0269 Oct. 1, 2023	Proposed Jan. 1, 2024	Difference
4 PGCVA Reference Price	\$0.221451	\$0.190317	\$(0.031134)
5 GPRA Recovery	\$0.007525	\$0.018096	\$0.010571
6 System Gas Supply Cost	<u>\$0.000435</u>	<u>\$0.000435</u>	<u>\$0.000000</u>
7 Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.229411	\$0.208848	\$(0.020563)

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## 11 I. IMPACT ON CUSTOMERS

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13 Schedule 9 provides a bill comparison showing the impact of the changes in the proposed  
 14 gas commodity charge on a year over year basis for the appropriate quarter as well as the  
 15 annual bill impact of the most recent quarterly change for an average residential  
 16 customer. The annual bill impact related to the change in the commodity charges on a  
 17 customer consuming approximately 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is a decrease of \$36.60, or 9.0%. The  
 18 annual total bill impact, inclusive of changes approved in the EB-2023-0160 Decision  
 19 and Rate Order for 2024 distribution rates dated November 9, 2023 is a decrease of \$9.00  
 20 or 0.8%. The average use figure of 1,780.0 m<sup>3</sup> is consistent with the bill impacts in  
 21 ENGLP's 2020-2024 Incentive Rate-setting Mechanism in EB-2018-0336 and reflects  
 22 the Board's expectation that QRAM applications would provide bill impacts based on  
 23 this level for a typical residential customer.

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25 The proposed rate schedules are attached as Appendix A. The proposed rate schedules in  
 26 Appendix A reflect the changes effective January 1, 2024 related to this QRAM  
 27 application. The rate schedules also reflect the changes approved in the EB-2023-0160  
 28 Decision and Rate Order.

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30 ENGLP will include customer notices reflecting the changes in the gas supply  
 31 commodity charge and distribution charges with their first bill on or after January 1,  
 32 2024. This customer notice has been included, for reference, in Appendix C.

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2 **J. SUMMARY**

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4 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in the  
5 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account from \$0.221451 by \$0.031134 to  
6 \$0.190317 per m<sup>3</sup> effective January 1, 2024. Appendix B contains the accounting entries  
7 related to the PGCVA.

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9 ENGLP proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in the Gas  
10 Purchase Rebalancing Account from \$0.007525 by \$0.010571 to \$0.018096 per m<sup>3</sup>  
11 effective January 1, 2024.

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13 ENGLP also proposes to change the gas supply charge from \$0.229411 by \$0.020563 to  
14 \$0.208848 per m<sup>3</sup> effective January 1, 2024. This change reflects the change in the  
15 PGCVA reference price, as described above, the change related to the recovery of the  
16 GPRA balance, also as described above, and the continuation of the EB-2018-0336  
17 approved system gas supply cost. These changes apply to all system gas customers  
18 served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

**PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT - PROJECTED BALANCE**

**HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - JANUARY, 2023 TO DECEMBER, 2023**

<u>Act/Fcst</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Purchase Cost (\$'s)</u>	<u>M*3</u>	<u>Actual/Forecast Price (\$/M*3)</u>	<u>Reference Price (\$/M*3)</u>	<u>Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)</u>	<u>Monthly PGCVA (\$'s)</u>	<u>Y-T-D PGCVA (\$'s)</u> (1)	<u>Monthly Interest (\$'s)</u>	<u>Y-T-D Interest (\$'s)</u> (2)	<u>Total PGCVA (\$'s)</u>	<u>Total Y-T-D PGCVA (\$'s)</u>	<u>Average Residential Consumption (M*3)</u>	<u>Monthly Interest Rate</u>
Actual	January	1,317,177	3,954,771	0.333060	0.316251	(0.016809)	-66,476.64	1,378.74	267.46	-65,477.47	-66,209.18	-64,098.73	366.7	4.73%
Actual	February	1,168,836	3,656,846	0.319630	0.316251	(0.003379)	-12,354.84	-10,976.10	5.43	-65,472.04	-12,349.41	-76,448.14	238.7	4.73%
Actual	March	1,158,987	3,629,654	0.319310	0.316251	(0.003059)	-11,104.86	-22,080.96	-43.26	-65,515.30	-11,148.12	-87,596.26	341.9	4.73%
Actual	April	450,927	2,035,706	0.221509	0.224783	0.003274	6,665.46	-15,415.50	-91.64	-65,606.94	6,573.82	-81,022.44	109.7	4.98%
Actual	May	251,802	1,150,215	0.218918	0.224783	0.005865	6,746.50	-8,669.00	-63.97	-65,670.91	6,682.53	-74,339.91	102.0	4.98%
Actual	June	144,828	656,614	0.220569	0.224783	0.004214	2,767.23	-5,901.77	-35.98	-65,706.89	2,731.25	-71,608.66	48.0	4.98%
Actual	July	136,271	623,381	0.218600	0.225868	0.007268	4,530.73	-1,371.04	-24.49	-65,731.38	4,506.24	-67,102.42	42.8	4.98%
Actual	August	178,916	822,634	0.217492	0.225868	0.008376	6,890.74	5,519.70	-5.69	-65,737.07	6,885.05	-60,217.37	57.9	4.98%
Actual	September	183,305	833,650	0.219883	0.225868	0.005985	4,989.33	10,509.03	22.91	-65,714.16	5,012.24	-55,205.13	58.0	4.98%
Actual	October	445,490	2,033,078	0.219121	0.221451	0.002330	4,736.95	15,245.98	48.08	-65,666.08	4,785.03	-50,420.10	86.6	5.49%
Forecast	November	1,014,089	4,593,759	0.220754	0.221451	0.000697	3,203.28	18,449.26	69.75	-65,596.33	3,273.03	-47,147.07	179.6	5.49%
Forecast	December	<u>955,116</u>	<u>4,332,455</u>	<u>0.220456</u>	0.221451	0.000995	<u>4,310.00</u>	<u>22,759.26</u>	<u>84.41</u>	<u>-65,511.92</u>	<u>4,394.41</u>	<u>-42,752.66</u>	<u>285.1</u>	5.49%
	Total	7,405,745	28,322,761	0.261477			-45,096.12	22,759.26	233.01	-65,511.92	-44,863.11	-42,752.66	1,917.0	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) (\$0.001509)  
Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer 1,917.0 M\*3  
Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer \$2.89 Customer Charge

(1) Includes balance of 67,855.38 as of September, 2022  
(2) Includes balance of -65,744.93 as of September, 2022

EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - JANUARY, 2023 TO DECEMBER, 2023

	<u>Jan-23</u>	<u>Feb-23</u>	<u>Mar-23</u>	<u>Apr-23</u>	<u>May-23</u>	<u>Jun-23</u>	<u>Jul-23</u>	<u>Aug-23</u>	<u>Sep-23</u>	<u>Oct-23</u>	<u>Nov-23</u>	<u>Dec-23</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b><u>Volumes (m3)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Production (B)	80,380	71,731	74,717	74,577	74,971	68,942	68,238	77,479	74,069	81,817	63,568	62,721	873,210
Local Production (C)	937,519	849,510	870,040	651,376	576,987	472,441	385,508	542,978	610,118	594,374	925,920	956,784	8,373,555
Parkway Delivery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RNG Production	0	0	0	0	0	0	76,126	123,797	104,976	326,058	404,391	417,871	1,453,219
Enbridge Gas	<u>2,936,871</u>	<u>2,735,605</u>	<u>2,684,897</u>	<u>1,309,753</u>	<u>498,257</u>	<u>115,231</u>	<u>93,510</u>	<u>78,380</u>	<u>44,486</u>	<u>1,030,829</u>	<u>3,199,880</u>	<u>2,895,079</u>	<u>17,622,778</u>
Total	3,954,771	3,656,846	3,629,654	2,035,706	1,150,215	656,614	623,381	822,634	833,650	2,033,078	4,593,759	4,332,455	28,322,761
<b><u>Price (\$/m3)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Local Production (B)	0.311968	0.311968	0.311968	0.217546	0.217546	0.217546	0.219048	0.219048	0.219048	0.215638	0.213987	0.213987	0.213987
Local Production (C)	0.306326	0.306779	0.306022	0.213016	0.213016	0.219695	0.214714	0.214714	0.219012	0.211146	0.211109	0.211109	0.211109
Parkway Delivery	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
RNG Production	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.226628	0.222200	0.222200	0.219314	0.218728	0.218728	0.218728
Enbridge Gas	0.342172	0.323821	0.323821	0.225958	0.225958	0.225958	0.227759	0.227759	0.227759	0.223935	0.223935	0.223935	0.223935
<b><u>Total Gas Cost (\$)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Production (B)	25,076	22,378	23,309	16,224	16,310	14,998	14,947	16,972	16,225	17,643	13,603	13,421	211,105
Local Production (C)	287,187	260,612	266,251	138,754	122,908	103,793	82,774	116,585	133,623	125,500	195,470	201,986	2,035,441
Parkway Delivery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RNG Production	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,252	27,508	23,326	71,509	88,451	91,400	319,446
Enbridge Gas	1,004,914	885,846	869,426	295,949	112,585	26,037	21,298	17,852	10,132	230,839	716,565	648,310	4,839,753
TCPL Transportation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	1,317,177	1,168,836	1,158,987	450,927	251,802	144,828	136,271	178,916	183,305	445,490	1,014,089	955,116	7,405,745



EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

**PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT**

**PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - JANUARY, 2024 TO DECEMBER, 2024**

**(WITH CHANGE IN REFERENCE PRICE)**

Month	Purchase Cost (\$'s)	M*3	Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA (\$'s)	Y-T-D PGCVA (\$'s) (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) (2)	Total PGCVA (\$'s)	Total Y-T-D PGCVA (\$'s)	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest Rate
January	950,856	5,005,754	0.189953	0.190317	0.000364	1,824.12	24,583.38	104.12	-65,407.80	1,928.24	-40,824.42	314.6	5.49%
February	848,597	4,468,640	0.189901	0.190317	0.000416	1,860.88	26,444.26	112.47	-65,295.33	1,973.35	-38,851.07	259.7	5.49%
March	751,359	3,953,390	0.190054	0.190317	0.000263	1,038.07	27,482.33	120.98	-65,174.35	1,159.05	-37,692.02	218.1	5.49%
April	493,428	2,611,953	0.188911	0.190317	0.001406	3,671.17	31,153.50	125.73	-65,048.62	3,796.90	-33,895.12	165.3	5.49%
May	269,185	1,434,563	0.187642	0.190317	0.002675	3,837.10	34,990.60	142.53	-64,906.09	3,979.63	-29,915.49	79.5	5.49%
June	144,223	782,660	0.184273	0.190317	0.006044	4,730.51	39,721.11	160.08	-64,746.01	4,890.59	-25,024.90	47.0	5.49%
July	136,969	735,754	0.186162	0.190317	0.004155	3,057.05	42,778.16	181.72	-64,564.29	3,238.77	-21,786.13	36.3	5.49%
August	155,067	829,732	0.186888	0.190317	0.003429	2,845.10	45,623.26	195.71	-64,368.58	3,040.81	-18,745.32	37.9	5.49%
September	195,695	1,062,690	0.184150	0.190317	0.006167	6,553.18	52,176.44	208.73	-64,159.85	6,761.91	-11,983.41	51.8	5.49%
October	546,888	2,905,946	0.188196	0.190317	0.002121	6,163.33	58,339.77	238.71	-63,921.14	6,402.04	-5,581.37	105.1	5.49%
November	895,527	4,715,950	0.189893	0.190317	0.000424	1,998.85	60,338.62	266.90	-63,654.24	2,265.75	-3,315.62	179.6	5.49%
December	<u>837,521</u>	<u>4,416,659</u>	<u>0.189628</u>	0.190317	0.000689	<u>3,044.05</u>	<u>63,382.67</u>	<u>276.05</u>	<u>-63,378.19</u>	<u>3,320.10</u>	<u>4.48</u>	<u>285.1</u>	5.49%
Total	6,225,315	32,923,691	0.189083			40,623.41	63,382.67	2,133.73	-63,378.19	42,757.14	4.48	1,780.0	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3)

\$0.000000

Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer

1,780.0 M\*3

Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer

\$0.00 Customer Rebate

(1) Includes Dec., 2023 year-to-date balance of

\$22,759.26

(See Schedule 2)

(2) Includes Dec., 2023 year-to-date balance of

(\$65,511.92)

(See Schedule 2)

EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - JANUARY, 2024 TO DECEMBER, 2024

	<u>Jan-24</u>	<u>Feb-24</u>	<u>Mar-24</u>	<u>Apr-24</u>	<u>May-24</u>	<u>Jun-24</u>	<u>Jul-24</u>	<u>Aug-24</u>	<u>Sep-24</u>	<u>Oct-24</u>	<u>Nov-24</u>	<u>Dec-24</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b><u>Volumes (m3)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Production (B)	61,884	61,059	60,245	59,442	58,649	57,867	57,096	56,335	55,583	54,842	54,111	53,390	690,503
Local Production (C)	956,784	864,192	677,784	655,920	478,392	462,960	299,832	299,832	655,920	956,784	925,920	956,784	8,191,104
Parkway Delivery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RNG Production	417,871	390,911	417,871	404,391	296,007	209,523	216,507	216,507	288,682	369,533	404,391	417,871	4,050,065
Enbridge Gas	<u>3,569,215</u>	<u>3,152,478</u>	<u>2,797,490</u>	<u>1,492,200</u>	<u>601,515</u>	<u>52,310</u>	<u>162,319</u>	<u>257,058</u>	<u>62,505</u>	<u>1,524,787</u>	<u>3,331,528</u>	<u>2,988,614</u>	<u>19,992,019</u>
Total	5,005,754	4,468,640	3,953,390	2,611,953	1,434,563	782,660	735,754	829,732	1,062,690	2,905,946	4,715,950	4,416,659	32,923,691
<b><u>Price (\$/m3)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Local Production (B)	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312	0.184312
Local Production (C)	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480	0.181480
Parkway Delivery	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
RNG Production	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378	0.188378
Enbridge Gas	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506	0.192506
<b><u>Total Gas Cost (\$)</u></b>													
Local Production (A)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Production (B)	11,406	11,254	11,104	10,956	10,810	10,666	10,523	10,383	10,245	10,108	9,973	9,840	127,268
Local Production (C)	173,637	156,834	123,004	119,036	86,819	84,018	54,414	54,414	119,036	173,637	168,036	173,637	1,486,522
Parkway Delivery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RNG Production	78,717	73,639	78,717	76,178	55,761	39,469	40,785	40,785	54,381	69,612	76,178	78,717	762,941
Enbridge Gas	687,095	606,871	538,534	287,257	115,795	10,070	31,247	49,485	12,033	293,531	641,339	575,326	3,848,584
TCPL Transportation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	950,856	848,597	751,359	493,428	269,185	144,223	136,969	155,067	195,695	546,888	895,527	837,521	6,225,315





EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

JANUARY, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER, 2024

<u>Month</u>	<u>Purchase Volume (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> A	<u>Throughput Volume (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> B	<u>Direct Purchase Volume (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> C	<u>System Sales Volume (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> D=B-C	<u>Deemed U.F.G. (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> E	<u>System Sales + U.F.G. (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> F=D+E	<u>Monthly Inventory Balance (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> G=A-F	<u>Cumulative Inventory (M<sup>3</sup>)</u> H (1)	<u>Reference Price (\$/M<sup>3</sup>)</u> I	<u>Inventory Revaluation (\$)</u> J	<u>Inventory Rate (\$/M<sup>3</sup>)</u> K	<u>Inventory Recovery (\$)</u> L=KxD	<u>Y-T-D GPRA Balance (\$)</u> M (2)	<u>Monthly Interest (\$)</u> N	<u>Y-T-D Interest (\$)</u> O (3)	<u>Total Y-T-D GPRA (\$)</u> P=M+O	<u>Monthly Interest Rate</u>
January	3,954,771	9,743,107	6,051,935	3,691,172	0	3,691,172	263,599	10,522,170	0.316251	0.00	(0.027621)	-101,953.86	757,557.44	3,387.91	21,442.97	779,000.41	4.73%
February	3,656,846	9,002,383	5,322,041	3,680,342	0	3,680,342	-23,496	10,498,674	0.316251	0.00	(0.027621)	-101,654.73	655,902.71	2,986.04	24,429.01	680,331.72	4.73%
March	3,629,654	10,322,020	6,111,507	4,210,513	0	4,210,513	-580,859	9,917,815	0.316251	-907,162.72	(0.027621)	-116,298.58	-367,558.59	2,585.35	27,014.36	-340,544.23	4.73%
April	2,035,706	6,567,221	5,061,118	1,506,103	0	1,506,103	529,603	10,447,418	0.224783	0.00	0.012854	19,359.45	-348,199.14	-1,525.37	25,488.99	-322,710.15	4.98%
May	1,150,215	7,250,359	5,796,713	1,453,646	0	1,453,646	-303,431	10,143,987	0.224783	0.00	0.012854	18,685.17	-329,513.97	-1,445.03	24,043.96	-305,470.01	4.98%
June	656,614	6,395,943	5,663,699	732,244	0	732,244	-75,630	10,068,357	0.224783	10,924.17	0.012854	9,412.26	-309,177.54	-1,367.48	22,676.48	-286,501.06	4.98%
July	623,381	6,271,528	5,725,098	546,430	0	546,430	76,951	10,145,307	0.225868	0.00	0.006741	3,683.48	-305,494.06	-1,283.09	21,393.39	-284,100.67	4.98%
August	822,634	6,674,226	5,949,150	725,076	0	725,076	97,558	10,242,865	0.225868	0.00	0.006741	4,887.74	-300,606.32	-1,267.80	20,125.59	-280,480.73	4.98%
September	833,650	5,606,718	4,657,344	949,374	0	949,374	-115,724	10,127,141	0.225868	-44,731.58	0.006741	6,399.73	-338,938.18	-1,247.52	18,878.07	-320,060.11	4.98%
October	2,033,078	7,578,543	6,108,919	1,469,624	0	1,469,624	563,454	10,690,594	0.221451	0.00	0.007525	11,058.92	-327,879.26	-1,550.64	17,327.43	-310,551.83	5.49%
November	4,593,759	10,528,759	5,935,000	4,593,759	0	4,593,759	0	10,690,594	0.221451	0.00	0.007525	34,568.04	-293,311.22	-1,500.05	15,827.38	-277,483.84	5.49%
December	4,332,455	9,967,455	5,635,000	4,332,455	0	4,332,455	0	10,690,594	0.221451	-332,840.97	0.007525	32,601.72	-593,550.46	-1,341.90	14,485.48	-579,064.98	5.49%
January	5,005,754	10,405,754	5,400,000	5,005,754	0	5,005,754	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	90,584.12	-502,966.34	-2,715.49	11,769.99	-491,196.35	5.49%
February	4,468,640	9,718,640	5,250,000	4,468,640	0	4,468,640	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	80,864.51	-422,101.83	-2,301.07	9,468.92	-412,632.91	5.49%
March	3,953,390	9,253,390	5,300,000	3,953,390	0	3,953,390	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	71,540.55	-350,561.28	-1,931.12	7,537.80	-343,023.48	5.49%
April	2,611,953	7,811,953	5,200,000	2,611,953	0	2,611,953	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	47,265.90	-303,295.38	-1,603.82	5,933.98	-297,361.40	5.49%
May	1,434,563	6,534,563	5,100,000	1,434,563	0	1,434,563	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	25,959.85	-277,335.53	-1,387.58	4,546.40	-272,789.13	5.49%
June	782,660	5,822,660	5,040,000	782,660	0	782,660	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	14,163.02	-263,172.51	-1,268.81	3,277.59	-259,894.92	5.49%
July	735,754	5,775,754	5,040,000	735,754	0	735,754	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	13,314.20	-249,858.31	-1,204.01	2,073.58	-247,784.73	5.49%
August	829,732	5,869,732	5,040,000	829,732	0	829,732	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	15,014.83	-234,843.48	-1,143.10	930.48	-233,913.00	5.49%
September	1,062,690	6,102,690	5,040,000	1,062,690	0	1,062,690	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	19,230.44	-215,613.04	-1,074.41	-143.93	-215,756.97	5.49%
October	2,905,946	8,155,946	5,250,000	2,905,946	0	2,905,946	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	52,586.00	-163,027.04	-986.43	-1,130.36	-164,157.40	5.49%
November	4,715,950	10,650,950	5,935,000	4,715,950	0	4,715,950	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	85,339.83	-77,687.21	-745.85	-1,876.21	-79,563.42	5.49%
December	4,416,659	10,051,659	5,635,000	4,416,659	0	4,416,659	0	10,690,594	0.190317	0.00	0.018096	79,923.86	2,236.65	-355.42	-2,231.63	5.02	5.49%

(1) Includes balance of 10,258,571 as of December, 2022  
(2) Includes balance of 859,511.30 as of December, 2022  
(3) Includes balance of 18,055.06 as of December, 2022

**EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

**RESIDENTIAL BILL COMPARISONS**

**QUARTERLY BILL IMPACT**

	Quarter Starting 01-Jan-23 <u>EB-2022-0296</u>	Quarter Starting 01-Jan-24 <u>EB-2023-0337</u>	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption for Quarter	792.4	792.4		
Monthly Charges	\$61.50	\$64.50	\$3.00	4.9%
Delivery Charges (1)	\$110.82	\$115.20	\$4.37	3.9%
Federal Carbon Charge	\$77.58	\$98.18	\$20.60	26.6%
Rate Riders	\$3.69	\$6.08	\$2.39	64.8%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$229.06</u>	<u>\$165.49</u>	<u>(\$63.56)</u>	<u>-27.8%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$482.64	\$449.45	(\$33.19)	-6.9%

**ANNUAL BILL IMPACT**

	01-Oct-23 <u>EB-2023-0269</u>	01-Jan-24 <u>EB-2023-0337</u>	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption	1,780.0	1,780.0		
Monthly Charges	\$246.00	\$258.00	\$12.00	4.9%
Delivery Charges (1)	\$248.95	\$258.77	\$9.82	3.9%
Federal Carbon Charge	\$220.54	\$220.54	\$0.00	0.0%
Rate Riders	\$7.99	\$13.77	\$5.78	72.3%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$408.35</u>	<u>\$371.75</u>	<u>(\$36.60)</u>	<u>-9.0%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$1,131.84	\$1,122.83	(\$9.00)	-0.8%

**RATES USED (2)**

	01-Jan-23 <u>EB-2022-0296</u>	01-Oct-23 <u>EB-2023-0269</u>	01-Jan-24 <u>EB-2023-0337</u>
Monthly Charge	20.50	20.50	21.50
Delivery Charge	0.139823	0.139823	0.145341
Facility Carbon Charge	0.000034	0.000037	0.000037
Total Commodity Charge	0.289065	0.229411	0.208848
Federal Carbon Charge	0.097900	0.123900	0.123900
Rate Riders - \$/mth	0.080000	0.020000	0.020000
Rate Riders - \$/m3	0.004355	0.004355	0.007601

(1) Delivery Charge includes Facility Carbon Charge

(2) Monthly charge reflects one dollar charge related to Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

**APPENDIX "A" TO  
DECISION AND RATE ORDER  
BOARD FILE No. EB-2023-0337  
DATED DECEMBER XX, 2023**

## EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

### RATE 1 - General Service Rate

#### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the Company.

#### Eligibility

A customer that requires delivery of natural gas to any residential building served through one meter and containing no more than three dwelling units.

#### Rate

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$21.50
	Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	\$0.02
b)	Delivery Charge	
	First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	14.5341 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	11.6811 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>	
	Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
	Facility Carbon Charge	0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### Meter Readings

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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Implementation: All bills rendered on or after January 1, 2024

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## EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

### RATE 2 - Seasonal Service

#### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the company.

#### Eligibility

All customers.

#### Rate

For all gas consumed from:	April 1 - Oct 31	Nov 1 - Mar 31
a) Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	\$23.59	\$23.59
Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	\$0.02	\$0.02
b) Delivery Charge		
First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	18.7366 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	23.6171 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Next 24,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	9.6949 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	16.0473 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
All over 25,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	7.6671 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	17.2730 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>		
Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Facility Carbon Charge	0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A	

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### Meter Readings

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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## **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

### **RATE 3 - Special Large Volume Contract Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

#### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a combined daily contracted demand for firm and interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 113,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### **Rate**

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

- a) A Monthly Customer Charge <sup>(1)</sup>:

A Monthly Customer Charge of \$226.94 for firm or interruptible customers; or  
A Monthly Customer Charge of \$251.83 for combined (firm and interruptible) customers.

Rate Rider for REDA Recovery \$0.02  
– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

- b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 32.8714 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand.

- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:

- (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 4.0682 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,
- (ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 11.8752 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 8.6034 per m<sup>3</sup>.

Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery 0.7891 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery (0.0290) cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024

- d) Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>  
Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable) 12.3900 cents per m<sup>3</sup>  
Facility Carbon Charge 0.0037 cents per m<sup>3</sup>



- e) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A
- f) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 3 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year, including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:

- a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
- b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
- c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
- d) Competition.

3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.4003 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for firm gas and 5.8681 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the customer during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.9678 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply commodity charge as set out

in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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## EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

### RATE 4 - General Service Peaking

#### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the company.

#### Eligibility

All customers whose operations, in the judgment of EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, can readily accept interruption and restoration of gas service with 24 hours' notice.

#### Rate

For all gas consumed from:	April 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Mar 31
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup> \$23.59	\$23.59
Rate Rider for REDA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	\$0.02	\$0.02
b)	Delivery Charge	
First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	20.6322 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	26.3209 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	12.6591 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	20.3392 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for PGTVA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Rate Rider for ADVADA Recovery – effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>	(0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>	
Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)	12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Facility Carbon Charge	0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
d)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only “applicable” to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

#### Meter Readings

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may

estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

Effective: January 1, 2024

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after January 1, 2024

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## EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership

### RATE 5 - Interruptible Peaking Contract Rate

#### Rate Availability

The entire service area of the company.

#### Eligibility

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a daily contracted demand for interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Rate

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:

- |    |  |                                   |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|
| a) | Monthly Fixed Charge <sup>(1)</sup>  | \$215.64                          |
|    | Rate Rider for REDA Recovery<br>– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024   | \$0.02                            |
| b) | A Monthly Delivery Charge:   |                                   |
|    | A Monthly Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 10.4667 cents per m <sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 6.7555 per m <sup>3</sup> . |                                   |
|    | Rate Rider for PGTVA recovery<br>– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024  | 0.7891 cents per m <sup>3</sup>   |
|    | Rate Rider for ADVADA recovery<br>– effective for 12 months ending December 31, 2024   | (0.0290) cents per m <sup>3</sup> |
| c) | Carbon Charges <sup>(2)</sup>  |                                   |
|    | Federal Carbon Charge (if applicable)  | 12.3900 cents per m <sup>3</sup>  |
|    | Facility Carbon Charge   | 0.0037 cents per m <sup>3</sup>   |
| d) | Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)   | Schedule A                        |
| e) | Overrun Gas Charge:  |                                   |

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the

customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any applicable Gas Supply Charge.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(b) above, the matters to be considered include:

- a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
- b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption and the pattern of annual use and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
- c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions; and
- d) Competition.

3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas of 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this annual minimum shall be 8.7866 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Federal Carbon Charge is only "applicable" to 20% of the natural gas volumes used by eligible greenhouses, reducing their effective Federal Carbon Charge rate.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, the customer or their agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, customers who are delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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### **RATE 6 – Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility**

#### **Rate Availability**

Rate 6 is available to the Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative, Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility only.

#### **Eligibility**

Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative's ("IGPC") ethanol production facility located in the Town of Aylmer

#### **Rate**

1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Fixed Monthly Charge<sup>(1)</sup> for firm services \$69,171.53
  - b) Carbon Charges  
- Facility Carbon Charge 0.0037 cents per m<sup>3</sup>
  - c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregated within Monthly Fixed Charge is the amount of one dollar per month in accordance with Bill 32 and Ontario Regulation 24/19.

#### **Purchased Gas Transportation Charges**

In addition to the Rates and Charges outlined above, IGPC is responsible for all costs, charges and fees incurred by EPCOR related to gas supplied by Enbridge Gas Inc. to EPCOR's system for IGPC. All actual charges billed to ENGLP by Enbridge Gas Inc. under former Union Gas contract ID SA008936 and SA008937, as amended or replaced from time to time, shall be billed to IGPC by EPCOR when and as billed to EPCOR by Enbridge Gas Inc.

#### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where IGPC elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than EPCOR, IGPC or its agent must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR for delivery of gas to EPCOR. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to IGPC if it elects said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by EPCOR, IGPC, when delivering gas to EPCOR under direct purchase arrangements, must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to EPCOR, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.



## **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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**SCHEDULE A – Gas Supply Charges**

**Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

**Eligibility**

All customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

**Rate**

The Gas Supply Charge applicable to all sales customers shall be made up of the following charges:

PGCVA Reference Price	(EB-2023-0337)	19.0317 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2023-0337)	1.8096 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
System Gas Fee	(EB-2018-0336)	<u>0.0435</u> cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		<u>20.8848</u> cents per m <sup>3</sup>

**Note:**

PGCVA means Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account

GPRA means Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account

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## **EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

### **RATE BT1 – Bundled Direct Purchase Contract Rate**

#### **Rate Availability**

Rate BT1 is available to all customers or their agent who enter into a Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to EPCOR. The availability of this option is subject to EPCOR obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with Enbridge Gas Inc. and EPCOR's gas supplier for direct purchase volume and DCQ offsets.

#### **Eligibility**

All customers electing to purchase gas directly from a supplier other than EPCOR must enter into a Bundled T- Service Receipt Contract with EPCOR either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to EPCOR at a mutually acceptable delivery point.

#### **Rate**

For gas delivered to EPCOR at any point other than the Ontario Point of Delivery, EPCOR will charge a customer or their agent all approved tolls and charges incurred by EPCOR to transport the gas to the Ontario Point of Delivery.

#### **Note:**

Ontario Point of Delivery means Dawn or Parkway on the Enbridge Gas Inc. (Union South) System as agreed to by EPCOR and EPCOR's customer or their agent.

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### **Transmission Service**

#### **Availability**

Transmission Service charges shall be applied to all natural gas producers that sell gas into Enbridge Gas' Union South system via ENGLP's distribution system.

#### **Eligibility**

All natural gas producers, transporting gas through ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system shall be charged the Transmission Service Rate and associated Administrative Charge. Rates and Charges will be applied only in those months that a natural gas producer delivers gas to a delivery point on ENGLP's system for sale into Enbridge Gas' Union South system.

#### **Rate**

Administrative Charge	\$250/month
Transmission Service Rate	\$0.95/mcf

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**Schedule of Miscellaneous and Service Charges**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
	<b>Service</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<b>1</b>	Service Work	
<b>2</b>	During normal working hours	
<b>3</b>	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$100.00
<b>4</b>	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$100.00
<b>5</b>	Outside normal working hours	
<b>6</b>	Minimum charge (up to 60 minutes)	\$130.00
<b>7</b>	Each additional hour (or part thereof)	\$105.00
<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b>	Miscellaneous Charges	
<b>10</b>	Returned Cheque / Payment	\$20.00
<b>11</b>	Replies to a request for account information	\$25.00
<b>12</b>	Bill Reprint / Statement Print Requests	\$20.00
<b>13</b>	Consumption Summary Requests	\$20.00
<b>14</b>	Customer Transfer / Connection Charge	\$35.00
<b>15</b>		
<b>16</b>	Reconnection Charge	\$85.00
<b>17</b>		
<b>18</b>	Inactive Account Charge	ENGLP's cost to install service
<b>19</b>		
<b>20</b>	Late Payment Charge	1.5% / month, 19.56% / year (effective rate of 0.04896% compounded daily)
<b>21</b>	Meter Tested at Customer Request Found to be Accurate	Charge based on actual costs
<b>22</b>	Installation of Service Lateral	\$100 for the first 20 meters. Additional if pipe length exceeds 20 meters.

Note: Applicable taxes will be added to the above charges

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**EPCOR NATURAL GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

**Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account**

Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Gas Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the Ontario Energy Board Act.

To record monthly as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-27 (PGCVA) the decrease (increase) to reflect the projected changes in gas costs and prospective recovery of the balances of the gas supply deferral accounts approved by the Board for rate making purposes.

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-27 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 623 Cost of Gas

To record as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-28, interest on the balance in Deferral Account

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-28 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense

Simple interest will be computed monthly on the opening balance in the said account in accordance with the methodology approved by the Board in EB-2006-0117.

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAS BILL**

### **Gas Commodity:**

On all bills rendered by EPCOR on or after January 1, 2024, the price we charge for the gas commodity and transportation portion of your bill will be decreasing by \$0.020563 per cubic meter to \$0.208848 per cubic meter. The Ontario Energy Board has approved this change to reflect the prices that EPCOR expects that it will be paying to its gas suppliers through to the end of December, 2024. On your gas bill this cost is on the line entitled "Gas Commodity".

As a regulated utility, EPCOR is permitted to recover what it pays for the purchase of gas plus any costs reasonably associated with this purchase but with no mark-up or 'profit'. The price the utility charges you is based on the forecasted gas and transportation costs to EPCOR, which are periodically reviewed by the OEB and reconciled with actual costs. The gas commodity portion gets adjusted regularly throughout the year as the price of the gas commodity changes.

How will the price change impact you? That will depend on the amount of gas that you use. For a typical residential customer who consumes approximately 1,780 cubic meters of gas annually, this price change will cause your annual heating costs to decrease by approximately \$37 per year. For customers who have arranged to have their gas supplied by a gas marketer/broker, the price may or may not change depending on the terms of the contract the customer has with the gas marketer/broker.

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### **Delivery Related Charges:**

On all bills rendered on or after January 1, 2024, the price we charge for the delivery portion of your bill will be increasing. For a typical residential customer who consumes approximately 1,780 cubic meters of gas annually, the delivery charges will increase your annual heating costs by approximately 3.8% or \$28 per year. These changes have been approved by the OEB.

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If you have any questions about the changes in rates or any other item that appears on your bill, please feel free to call our office at 519-773-5321.

We would like to thank you for choosing to make natural gas your energy of choice.