# Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied to raise its natural gas rates effective April 1, 2021, to recover costs associated with the federal government's *Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act.*

# Learn more. Have your say.

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to increase its rates effective April 1, 2021, to recover the costs associated with meeting its obligations under the federal government's *Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act.* 

The Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act establishes a carbon pricing program under which a natural gas utility in Ontario, such as Enbridge Gas, is required to pay a carbon charge to the federal government for emissions from the natural gas that it delivers to its customers, and for excess emissions from the operation of Enbridge Gas's natural gas distribution system. The federal carbon charge came into effect on April 1, 2019, increased on April 1, 2020, and will increase again on April 1, 2021.

Enbridge Gas says that if its application is approved as filed, it will have the following bill impacts:

- A typical residential customer in the EGD rate zone (former customers of Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.) will see an annual bill increase of \$47.08.
- A typical residential customer in the Union rate zones (former customers of Union Gas Limited), will see an annual bill increase of \$43.23.

## Other customers, including businesses, will also be affected.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The OEB will hold a public hearing to consider Enbridge Gas's application. During this hearing, which could be an oral or written hearing, we will question Enbridge Gas on its application. We will also hear questions and arguments from individuals that have registered to participate (called intervenors) in the OEB's hearing.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

### **BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY**

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Enbridge Gas's application on the OEB's website now
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing
- You can become an intervenor. As an intervenor you can ask questions about Enbridge Gas's application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve Enbridge Gas's request. Apply by **November 3, 2020** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website

#### LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is: **EB-2020-0212.** To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file a letter with your comments or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case please select the file number **EB-2020-0212** from the list on the OEB website: **www.oeb.ca/notice.** You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

### **ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. Enbridge Gas has applied for a written hearing. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **November 3, 2020.** 

#### PRIVACY

If you write a letter with your comments, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the OEB's public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under section 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B).

