

ENBRIDGE GAS DISTRIBUTION INC. RESPONSE TO
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INTERROGATORY

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Reference: EB-2012-0451 Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 1, paras. 21, 24 and 25;
Exhibit A, Tab 3, schedule 7, paras. 7 and 8.

Please explain why converting long haul discretionary transport to year round long haul firm transport will reduce efficiency and increase costs?

RESPONSE

Unlike firm transport, discretionary services are procured for a period that is less than a year, typically a day, week, month or season. Replacing a short term need with longer term capacity results in less efficient use of transport. In particular, long haul transport is less efficient and more costly because the consequences of partial utilization are amplified given the higher toll. Short haul firm transport is as reliable as long haul transport with lower cost consequences resulting from partial utilization.

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