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ENBRIDGE GAS INC. Answer to Interrogatory from Board Staff (STAFF)

Reference: Exhibit C1/Tab 1/Schedule 1/pgs.49-50

Question:

The application provides a list of potential ICM projects for Enbridge Gas Distribution and Union Gas for the period 2019 to 2023. In the list of Union Gas projects, there are

three projects that are under \$20 million.

Project Name	In Service Year	Total In-Service Capital (\$ million)
Dunnville Line Reinforcement	2021	\$12.7
Byron Transmission Station	2022	\$17.9
Reinforcement		
Parry Sound Reinforcement	2023	\$17.3

- a) Please explain why these project require ICM funding and why they cannot be funded within the existing capital investment plan.
- b) In the Toronto Hydro Electric Systems Ltd.'s three year application for 2012 to 2014 rates (EB-2012-0064), the OEB in its decision regarding the application for ICM funding noted, "the Board does not expect that projects that are minor expenditures in comparison to the overall budget should be considered eligible for ICM treatment. A certain degree of project expenditure over and above the threshold calculation is expected to be absorbed within the total capital budget" (pgs.18-19). Please provide the proportion of each individual project noted above to the overall capital budget for the respective year.
- c) Why is it not possible to absorb the costs of the projects noted above considering the quantum of the in-service capital?

Response

a – c) Enbridge Gas is not seeking any relief for the projects specified in the question in 2019. Accordingly, Enbridge Gas declines to respond.