

Determination on Enbridge's Motion to Review the March 2025 IRP Pilot Decision

On May 14, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a [Decision and Order](#) on a motion from Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge) to review and vary parts of its March 27, 2025 decision¹ related to the Southern Lake Huron (SLH) Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) pilot.

The SLH pilot was developed under the OEB's 2021 IRP Framework to evaluate how integrated resource planning alternatives, including targeted energy efficiency and demand response programs, can be used to avoid, delay or reduce the need for new gas system infrastructure.

The OEB found no reviewable errors in its original decision. However, because the 2021 IRP Framework is already under review, the OEB varied certain elements of that decision. These changes remove or adjust certain steps Enbridge was required to take for the SLH pilot and a second IRP pilot, to help bring those projects to an efficient close.

INTERVENORS

Intervenors are individuals or groups who have permission to participate in a hearing before the OEB because they have a substantial interest in the proceeding. A list of the ten parties approved as intervenors in this proceeding, including representatives of different classes of consumers, is available on page six of the Decision and Order.

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¹ [Decision and Order, EB-2022-0335, March 27, 2025](#)

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