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Action Request Response

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: August 12, 2025

Re: **Docket No. 24-057-22**, Enbridge Gas Utah's Application for Approval of the 2025 Year Budget for Energy Efficiency Programs and Market Transformation Initiative
Docket No. 25-057-05, Enbridge Gas Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2025

Recommendation (Acknowledge)

The Division of Public Utilities ("Division") has reviewed the Application and recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") acknowledge Enbridge Gas Utah's ("Enbridge" or "Company") report on the Builder Program, Weatherization Program, and Market Transformation Initiative ("MTI") surpassing fifty percent (50%) of their budgets for 2025 within the Energy Efficiency Program.

Issue

On July 15, 2025, the Company filed a report noting its Demand Side Management ("DSM") program spending levels. The Commission issued an Action Request on July 15, 2025, requesting that the Division review the report for compliance and provide any recommendations by August 14, 2025. Subsequently, the Commission issued a Notice of Filing and Comment Period requesting comments by August 20, 2025, with reply comments by September 4, 2025. This memorandum is the Division's response to the Commission's Action Request and Notice of Filing and Comment Period.



Background

The Commission Order issued in Docket No. 09-057-15, dated January 12, 2010, stated that the Company was required to report to the Commission when any DSM program costs reached ninety percent (90%) of its budget, and if any DSM program costs reached fifty percent (50%) of its budget before June 30 each year, or eighty percent (80%) of the budget by August.

Discussion

The Company has complied with the Commission's Order by submitting a report stating that its Builder Program, Weatherization Program, and MTI programs reached fifty-six percent (56%), sixty-three percent (63%), and fifty-five percent (55%) of their 2025 budgets, respectively.

The Company explained that the Builder Program is experiencing "higher than projected customer participation in the Pay-for-Performance measures for both Single-Family and Multi-Family. These measures account for approximately eighty percent (80%) of the 2025 Builder Program budget."¹ The Weatherization Program is also "experiencing higher than projected customer participation"² in the Attic Insulation tiers and Air Sealing for both Single-Family and Multi-Family. "These measures account for approximately ninety percent (90%) of the 2025 Weatherization Program budget."³ For the MTI program, the Company explains that historically, most costs occur in the first and fourth quarters of every calendar year. Marketing patterns for the ThermWise programs are "broadcast through different forms of Utah media (January—March) or in production for the next program year (October—December)."⁴ Throughout the history of the ThermWise programs, "MTI expenditures have averaged seventy-nine percent (79%) of the annual Commission-approved budgets."⁵

¹ Enbridge Gas Utah, Memo to PSC, dated July 15, 2025, Docket 24-057-22 and 25-057-05, paragraph 4, page 1.

² Ibid, paragraph 1, page 2.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid, paragraph 2, page 2.

⁵ Ibid,

“The Company forecasts that the Builder Program and Weatherization Program will meet 100% of the \$9.82 million and \$8.29 million budgets, respectively. The Company forecasts that the MTI will not exceed 100% of the \$1.32 million budget.”⁶ The Company also forecasts that the ThermWise programs in total will not exceed the 2025 Commission-approved budget of \$30.1 million.

The Division will continue to monitor the DSM program activity and expenditures by reviewing the detailed quarterly reports.

Conclusion

Enbridge is in compliance with the Order and reported the programs that surpassed the 50% expenditure through June 2025. The Division recommends the Commission acknowledge the report as complying with the Commission’s Order in Docket No. 09-057-15. The Division will continue to monitor the DSM programs for the remainder of 2025.

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⁶ Ibid, paragraph 3, page 2.