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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING

GAS FRANCHISE APPROVAL AND APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (the "Applicant") has filed an application dated June 13, 2011 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 9 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended (the "Act"), for an order of the Board approving the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln (the "Corporation") is, by by-law, to grant to the Applicant the right to construct and operate works for the distribution of gas and the right to extend and add to the works in the Township of West Lincoln (the "Municipality"). The Applicant has also applied for an order of the Board declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the by-law is not necessary. The Board has assigned file number EB-2011-0237 to the franchise renewal application.

The Applicant has a franchise agreement with the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln which expires on October 18, 2011.

The Applicant also holds two Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity (the "Certificates") for the geographical area of the Corporation: E.B.C 59, issued July 25, 1967, for the former Township of Caistor and E.B.C. 1, issued December 12, 1961, for the former Township of Gainsborough. The Township of Caistor and the Township of Gainsborough were amalgamated on January 1, 1970 and the Municipality was renamed the Township of West Lincoln.

The Applicant has applied, pursuant to section 8 of the Act, for an order of the Board cancelling the existing Certificates associated with the former Township of Caistor and the Township of Gainsborough and replacing them with a Certificate for the geographic boundaries of the Township of West Lincoln. The Board has assigned file number EB-2011-0238 to the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity application.

This application will be decided by the Manager, Natural Gas Applications, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B). The Manager, Natural Gas Applications does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

Copies of the application and pre-filed evidence will be available for public inspection at the Board's offices, the Applicant's offices, and at the office of the Corporation at the addresses indicated below.

The Board intends to proceed with the application by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board within **7 days** of the publication date of this Notice.

If you wish to participate in the written hearing, you may make a written submission that is received by the Board no later than **14 days** after the publication date of this Notice, with a copy to the Applicant, at the addresses below. If the Applicant wishes to respond to the written submissions, such response must be received by the Board no later than **21 days** after the publication date of this Notice. All submissions must be received by the Board Secretary by **4:45 p.m.** on the required dates.

Before placing a written submission on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the document (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the submission will become part of the public record. All filings to the Board must quote file numbers **EB-2011-0237 and EB-2011-0238** and consist of two paper copies as well as one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format filed through the Board's web portal at www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, a fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found on the "e-Filing Services" webpage of the Board's website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca. If the web portal is not available, you may e-mail your document to Boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who cannot provide an electronic version of their filing are required to file 7 paper copies.

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DATED at Toronto, June 27, 2011

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