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**VIA RESS AND COURIER**

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street  
Suite 2700  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Ms Walli:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge")  
Request for Exception for Leave to Construct  
Regional Municipality of York Pipeline Replacement Project (the "Project")  
Board File Number: EB-2011-0270**

In response to the Board's letter dated September 13, 2011, Enbridge is providing information regarding the abandonment procedures that will be followed as part of the Project.

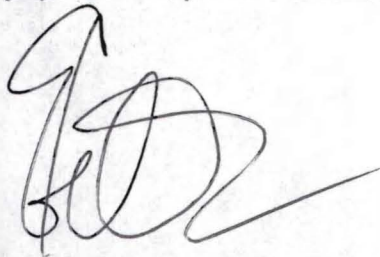
Enbridge will follow the policy and procedure outlined in section 6.3 of our Operations & Maintenance Manual, a copy of which is appended to this letter, to complete the proposed abandonment of the NPS 4 and NPS 8 pipelines. In summary, the abandoned pipe will be physically separated from the live system, purged of natural gas and the ends securely plugged. The pipelines will then be further sectionalized and ends securely plugged. The location of such caps and plugs will be determined at the time of the construction.

In addition, the Region of York ("Region") will be provided with and must adhere to the ESATSSA *Guideline for Excavation in The Vicinity of Utility Lines* (the "Guideline"), a copy of which is attached to this letter, which outlines the Region's responsibilities when working in the vicinity of abandoned natural gas mains. If the Region wishes to remove segments of the abandoned pipeline, Enbridge Operations will provide support to their contractor for the safe removal of the abandoned pipeline.

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If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Edith Chin', with a stylized, cursive script.

Edith Chin

cc: Scott Stoll, Aird & Berlis  
OPCC Members (via email)