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VIA RESS, EMAIL and COURIER

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

**Re: EB-2011-0290 Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("EGD") Request to
Extend Affiliate Relationships Code ("ARC") Exemption ("Application")**

The Board's Procedural Order No. 1 set September 23, 2011 as the filing date for EGD's argument-in-chief for this proceeding. Given the limited scope of EGD's extension request, EGD wishes to make the following brief summary submissions.

EGD has chosen to delay the information technology ("IT") changes and enhancements beyond the original expiry date of July 31, 2011 for sound business reasons. As noted in the Application, EGD is reliant upon a third party vendor for on-going maintenance and support of EnMar. As the gas meter database, EnMar is an essential IT application for the operations of EGD and Gazifère, and must remain functional at all times. EGD has acted prudently by awaiting more certain directions from the third party vendor before undertaking EnMar changes and upgrades that would have been inefficient and unnecessary. Furthermore, EGD can better conduct the required data segregation work in conjunction with the new government inspection rule enhancement as a comprehensive EnMar IT solution.

EGD's response to Board Staff Interrogatory #1 provides further details on the scheduled dates for completion of key deliverables for the required IT system modifications. EGD expects to complete development in November 2011, followed by user acceptance completion in February, and data migration and implementation in March 2012. EGD has requested the Board for a new expiry date of June 30, 2012 in order to provide adequate time for full system

stabilization. EGD respectfully submits these reasons in support of the Application.

This letter is being filed through the Board's RESS system and it will be available on the Company's website @ www.enbridgegas.com/ratecase, as of September 24, 2011. EGD has also provided a copy of this letter to all participants in the EB-2008-0275 proceeding.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'N. Ryckman', written over the words 'Yours truly,' and the printed name 'Norm Ryckman'.

Norm Ryckman
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cc: Mr. F. Cass, Aird & Berlis LLP
All Interested Parties EB-2008-0275 (via email)