Northeast *Midstream*.

October 27, 2015

Ms. Kristen Walli OEB Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2700 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2015-0238 Distributor Gas Planning Consultation

The Board issued a letter dated October 16, 2015, initiating the Distributor Gas Planning Consultation (the Consultation). The Board invited interested participants to advise the Board on relevant issues for the Consultation as well as attend the one-day session on November 25, 2015. The process outlined in the Board's letter also provides the opportunity for interested parties to make a presentation as part of the Consultation.

This letter is intended to provide the Board with the views of Northeast Midstream LP (Northeast) on certain relevant issues that should be addressed as part of the Consultation as well as to request time for Northeast to make a presentation at Consultation session.

Northeast is a Toronto-based limited partnership focused on building and operating liquefied natural gas (LNG) infrastructure. Northeast has designed and permitted a 33,000 GJ per day natural gas liquefaction facility in Thorold, Ontario. The plant is expected to be in-service by late 2016. Northeast is also proposing a LNG facility in Northwestern Ontario.

Northeast believes that LNG has a strategic role to play in expanding access to natural gas in Ontario. LNG can be liquefied at one or more centralized facilities in Ontario and transported by road to meet various market requirements including:

- Using LNG to meet the needle peaking market requirements using LNG storage facilities situated in close proximity to the market rather than developing remote underground gas storage and constructing expensive incremental pipeline capacity to meet such needs;
- Using LNG to deliver gas to rural and Northern communities that are situated long distances from existing pipeline infrastructure and that otherwise would not have economic access to natural gas; and
- Using LNG to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with certain heavy-duty transportation applications, helping Ontario meet its climate change goals.



From the perspective of the Consultation, Northeast requests that the following items be included as issues for discussion on November 25th:

- 1. The use of LNG as a peak shaving tool to lower overall delivered gas costs to consumers; and
- 2. The use of LNG as a lower-cost alternative to building pipeline laterals to expand natural gas service to rural and Northern communities.

Northeast would like to make a presentation at the Consultation session. The presentation will provide some background on LNG; how other jurisdictions in North America use LNG for peak shaving and off-pipeline delivery of natural gas; and how Ontario may benefit from incorporating LNG into its gas supply mix. Northeast therefore requests 20 minutes for the presentation and would welcome the opportunity to answer questions following the presentation.

Please direct all communication regarding the Consultation to:

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