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**RE: MNRF Written Submission**  
**Application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge")**

- **Board File Number: EB-2015-0303**
- **Application for a permit to drill a hydrocarbon injection/withdrawal well in the Corunna Designated Gas Storage Area in the Township of St. Clair in Lambton County**

Dear Madams,

In accordance with the Board's directions, please find attached the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's submission with respect to the above-referenced application.

Yours truly,

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Demetrius Kappos  
Counsel  
Legal Services Branch

Encl.

c: All Parties to the Proceeding

**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.  
EB-2015-0303**

**Written Submission of the Ministry of  
Natural Resources and Forestry**

**Introduction:**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) filed an application dated November 6, 2015 with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) pursuant to the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* (OGSRA) for approval to drill a natural gas injection/withdrawal well in its Corunna Designated Storage Area located in the Township of St. Clair in Lambton County.

The proposed well would in effect be a replacement well. It is sought to replace the deliverability lost due to the recent abandonment of two wells and the conversion of one injection well to an observation well.

On November 24, 2015, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (Minister) referred the matter to the Ontario Energy Board (Board) pursuant to s. 40 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for a report to the Minister.

Further to our Interrogatories, the MNRF confirms we have received the Risk Assessment from the Applicant, Board Staff's Interrogatories and Enbridge's response to all Interrogatories.

**Conclusion:**

MNRF has no objection to a recommended approval of the application with the Board Staff proposed draft conditions of approval. We further have no objection to the revision to the Board Staff proposed draft conditions of approval as proposed by Enbridge (i.e., Article 3.1 being revised to enable slightly more time for the completion of monitoring reports where the deadline would otherwise fall within the winter/spring period).

**All of which is respectfully submitted.**

Yours truly,

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