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Attention: Board Secretary

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: EB-2016-0004

The Municipality of East Ferris is respectfully requesting intervenor status for the above noted Generic Hearing. The following information is provided to you to demonstrate our Municipality's substantial interest in this hearing proceeding.

1. The Municipality of East Ferris was incorporated in 1921. The Municipality has a population of approximately 5,000 and an approximate household count of 2200. The development pattern within the Municipality includes three Villages – Astorville, Corbeil and Derland, and additional development in the rural area and along the waterfront of our two lakes – Trout Lake and Lake Nosbonsing.

The Municipality has five members of Council – a Mayor and four Councillors, one of which one is the Deputy Mayor.

The Trans Canada Pipeline (mainline) lies at the west side of the Municipality both within our boundaries and in the Municipality of Callander.

The Municipality is in favour of the expansion of the natural gas network into our community. We are predominantly not serviced by natural gas. The Municipality has residents, businesses, industries and institutional users which are interested in having access to natural gas. Access to natural gas will provide many benefits to our community including annual energy savings, reduced costs for our businesses and the removal of an economic development barrier for our community. Please see the attached Council resolution requesting Intervenor Status which was forwarded to the OEB on February 29th, 2016.

2. The Municipality of East Ferris will be providing information through submissions in writing and in person at the hearing as well. The Municipality would like an opportunity to ask questions through the hearing process as well.
3. The Municipality of East Ferris would like to receive one copy of the written evidence.
4. At this time, the Municipality would like to reserve the right to seek an award of costs.
5. The Municipality is not wishing to participate in the hearing using the French language.

6. The request for Intervenor Status was submitted late of the deadline (Tuesday, February 23rd, 2016). The Municipality became aware of the deadline for requests for Intervenor Status that day and contacted the Ontario Energy Board immediately.

7. The two municipal representatives that will be attending the hearing are:

- Pauline Rochefort, Deputy Mayor
Paulinerochefort17@gmail.com
- John B. Fior, Chief Administrative Officer
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Both can be contacted c/o:

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8. The Municipality will be submitting additional letters of support for the Union Gas proposal.

9. The Municipality respectfully requests that, if at all possible, due to the distance that our representatives will be travelling and in an effort to reduce cost, a specific date and time be provided to us for attendance at the Generic Hearing.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John B. Fior', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John B. Fior, CAO
Municipality of East Ferris

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