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## VIA E-MAIL TO THE BOARD

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Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

**Attention: Board Secretary** 

RE: EB-2016-0138

**EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc.** 

Application for Franchise Agreement and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity with the Municipality of Kincardine

## REQUEST FOR INTERVENOR STATUS FOR NORTHERN CROSS ENERGY LIMITED

Northern Cross Energy Limited ("NCE") is: 1) a producer of natural gas in the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, a township adjacent to and south of the proposed Southern Bruce Gas Inc. franchise area, 2) one of the three proponents that submitted a response to the Borden Ladner Gervais LLP Request for Information ("RFI"), on behalf of the three municipalities comprised of the Municipality of Kincardine, the Municipality of Aaran-Elderslie and the Township of Huron-Kinloss (collectively referred to as the "South Bruce Municipalities"), to supply natural gas to these three communities, and 3) an intervenor in EB-2016-0004.

During the pre-hearing conference for EB-2016-0004 held April 26, 2016, it was argued by several intervenors that the South Bruce Municipalities and EPCOR Utilities Inc. ("EPCOR") both declined to respond to Information Requests concerning the RFI process and the subsequent outcome posed to them as part of this proceeding and that this RFI process and outcome had direct bearing on EB-2016-0004. The intervenors requested that the Board direct that responses by the South Bruce Municipalities and EPCOR to these Information Requests be provided.

The South Bruce Municipalities and EPCOR argued that this matter was more appropriately addressed under EB-2016-0137, 0138 and 0139. In the event that the South Bruce Municipalities and EPCOR prevail in their argument that EB-2016-0137, 0138 and 0139 are the appropriate proceedings to address this issue, NCE has a direct interest in the outcome of this examination since it is a party to the confidential RFI process.

As such, in accordance with the Procedural Order, NCE is respectfully requesting intervenor status for the EB-2016-0138 proceeding. Our level of involvement will be determined by the final issues list and development of those issues in the proceeding. If our request is granted, we would request that all correspondence in the proceeding be directed to:

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Thank you for your consideration of our request.

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