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Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli,

Re: EB-2016-0004 – Municipalities of Kincardine, Arran-Elderslie and the Township of Huron-Kinloss ("Southern Bruce") - Natural Gas Expansion Generic Proceeding – Response to Undertaking No. J3.13

Please find enclosed the response of Dr. Larry Murphy, on behalf of Southern Bruce, to Undertaking No. J3.13.

Yours truly,

BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS LLP

Original signed by James K. Little per John A.D. Vellone

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EB-2016-0004

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3 TO CONFIRM WHETHER THERE IS A REQUIREMENT IN THE RFI TO CONSULT WITH4 MAJOR CUSTOMERS.

5 **<u>Request by:</u>** Ms. DeMarco on behalf of GreenField Specialty Alcohols Inc. on May 9, 2016.¹

6 <u>**Undertaken by:**</u> Dr. Lawrence Murphy on behalf of Southern Bruce.

7 **Response:**

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8 There was no express requirement in the RFI document that proponents consult with any specific 9 end users. The RFI was clear that the Municipalities' goal is to facilitate the expansion of natural 10 gas distribution to benefit all users of the system (residential, commercial, industrial, farmers, 11 MUSH sector). In this process the Municipalities' duty is to their citizens and communities 12 overall. It would not have been appropriate for the Municipalities to structure the RFI process in 13 a manner that gave undue emphasis to any particular customer class.

¹ See p. 200 of the May 9, 2016 Transcript, Volume 3, in EB-2016-0004: <u>http://www.rds.ontarioenergyboard.ca/webdrawer/webdrawer.dll/webdrawer/rec/527731/view/</u>