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Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319, 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re:

Applications by EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc. for approval of franchise agreements and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Board File Nos.: EB-2016-0137 / EB-2016-0138 / EB-2016-0139

We are counsel to Anwaatin Inc. (Anwaatin). Please find enclosed Anwaatin's Notice of Intervention requesting intervenor status and cost eligibility in the above-noted proceeding. Anwaatin intends to confirm the member indigenous communities participating in this proceeding in short order and will communicate accordingly.

Yours very truly,

Lisa (Elisabeth) DeMarco

cc. Don Richardson Larry Sault

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.55, ss. 8(1), 9(3) and 9(4) and the Ontario Energy Board Act, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), ss. 21(5) and 36;

AND IN THE MATTER OF Applications by EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc. for approval of franchise agreements and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

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ANWAATIN INC.

January 16, 2017

A. Application for Intervenor Status

1. Anwaatin Inc. (Anwaatin) hereby requests intervenor status in the Ontario Energy Board (the Board) EB-2016-0137 / EB-2016-0138 / EB-2016-0139 matter reviewing EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc.'s (EPCOR) applications for approval of franchise agreements and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Municipalities of Arran-Elderslie, Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss (the Applications), pursuant to Rule 22 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

B. Anwaatin and its Interest in the Proceeding

- 2. Anwaatin is an indigenous business corporation that works with indigenous communities in linked energy markets that include Ontario, Quebec, California and Manitoba. Anwaatin's mission is to ensure that indigenous communities are front and centre in fighting climate change and leading emerging markets associated with climate change action. Its business focusses on (i) territorial climate change, (ii) readiness for emerging cap-and-trade markets, (iii) strengthening biodiversity and resilience in the face of climate change and (iv) creating partnerships to sell indigenous carbon offsets.
- 3. Anwaatin intends to confirm the member indigenous communities participating in this proceeding in short order and will communicate accordingly.
- 4. Anwaatin will provide the Board with the perspective of the disproportionate number of indigenous communities currently living in energy poverty in Ontario. It will also provide an understanding of the differential impact of the proposed natural gas franchise and related matters on remote and near-remote communities. To assist the Board in responding to these issues, Anwaatin will address unique consideration of, and potential solutions for, indigenous peoples in this proceeding.
- 5. Anwaatin recognizes that these will be the first applications determined in accordance with the Board's decision in EB-2016-0004.

C. Nature and Scope of Anwaatin's Intended Participation

D. Anwaatin intends to be an active participant in this proceeding, and will act responsibly to coordinate with other intervenors where common issues may arise and be otherwise addressed. Anwaatin intends to participate to request information, participate in any requisite motions, test

evidence through the stipulated processes, submit written interrogatories and provide argument. Subject to the development of the record in this matter, Anwaatin may also submit evidence.

E. Costs

6. In accordance with s. 3.03(b) of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards, Anwaatin is

eligible to seek an award of costs as Anwaatin is a party that primarily represents an interest

or policy perspective relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding.

7. Anwaatin represents the interests of a unique set of indigenous energy consumers in Ontario

and is committed to ensuring that they served through access to affordable, reliable,

sustainable and modern energy. Anwaatin should be awarded costs in this proceeding

because its comments will serve an interest and policy perspective relevant to the Board's

mandate.

8. Anwaatin submits that it is appropriate for the Board to award Anwaatin costs in the context of

this proceeding, and hereby requests cost eligibility.

F. Anwaatin's Representatives

9. If the Board grants Anwaatin intervenor status, Anwaatin requests that further communications

with respect to this proceeding be sent to the following:

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AND TO ITS CONSULTANT

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 16th day of January, 2017

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