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## **Delivered by Email & RESS**

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street Suite 2700 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli

Re: EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc. - Application for Franchise Agreement and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the:

Municipality of Arran-Elderslie
Municipality of Kincardine
Township of Arran-Elderslie
Board File Number EB-2016-0138
Board File Number EB-2016-0139

In its January 17, 2017 letter to Mayors Eadie, Eagleson and Twolan (Southern Bruce), the Board indicated that should any other party besides EPCOR express interest in serving the Southern Bruce communities then the result will be a "fork" in the procedural path and the Board will issue fresh guidance to all parties in the proceeding. On January 19 our clients received an expression of interest from Union Gas.

In view of the Board's recent letter to the Mayors and the expression of interest received from Union Gas, Southern Bruce requests that the Board provide parties to the above noted proceeding with the opportunity to make written submissions to the Board on the process the Board should now follow, and parties' supporting rationale for their recommended process, prior to the Board issuing its next Procedural Order in this proceeding.

Yours truly

## **Borden Ladner Gervais LLP**

original signed by Mark Rodger

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Copy to: Mayor Paul Eagleson, Municipality of Arran-Elderslie

Mary Anne Eadie, Municipality of Kincardine Mayor Mitch Twolan, Township of Huron-Kinloss

All parties in EB-2016-0004

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