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## **Email & RESS**

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

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Natural Gas Expansion Proposals - New OEB Process

We received a copy of Union's letter dated February 13, 2017 which appears to request an exemption from the Board's new procedures regarding the process and approvals necessary to distribute gas in Ontario expansion markets.

The South Bruce Municipalities do not believe Union's requests should be granted at this time. Instead, the South Bruce Municipalities submit that the matter of exemptions being requested by any party should be added to the issues list and addressed in the round of submissions the Board expects to receive regarding the next Procedural Order to be issued in these proceedings.

Yours truly

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