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Ms. Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary** Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4 E-mail: boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca

RE: **Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. --**

Application for Well Drilling Licence, Corunna Storage Pool

OEB File Number: EB-2016-0378

Dear Madam,

I am writing to request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry ("MNRF") be granted Intervenor Status in the above-noted matter.

The MNRF regulates storage wells and the activities associated with well licences under the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act ("OGSRA"), Ontario Regulation 245/97 made under the OGSRA, and the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Operating Standards. The MNRF therefore has a direct regulatory interest in integrity of storage operations. As an Intervenor, the MNRF can assist the Board by providing technical expertise and submissions. The MNRF was an intervenor in the matter of EB-2015-0303 relating to the same wellbore.

The MNRF requests one copy of the evidence and submissions of the Applicant and other participants and any notices or correspondence related to the application, preferably in searchable electronic format.

The MNRF reserves the right to adduce evidence, submit interrogatories, cross-examine witnesses, advance argument and participate in the hearing process as we see fit to do.

The MNRF does not have any preference as to whether the hearing should be written or oral.

The MNRF does not intend to seek an award of costs in this matter.

Communication regarding this application may be directed to the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Demetrius Kappos

Counsel

Legal Services Branch

c. Mr. Jug Manocha, Petroleum Resources Centre, MNRF (via e-mail)