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VIA EMAIL, RESS, and COURIER

Ms Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Ms Walli:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge")
2016 Earnings Sharing Mechanism and Other Deferral And Variance
Accounts Clearance Review
Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2017-0102
Comments on FRPO Intervention Request Letter**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") is writing in response to the intervention request letter filed on June 5, 2017 by Mr. Quinn on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario ("FRPO") in the above noted case. In his letter, Mr. Quinn requests that he be granted cost eligibility for topics which are broader than those identified by the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") in the Notice for this proceeding. Enbridge opposes this request.

By Letter of Direction on May 25, 2017, the Board directed Enbridge to serve Notice on appropriate parties for the above noted proceeding. Enbridge issued Notice to parties the next day clearly identifying the issues to be dealt with in the proceeding. In its letter to the Board FRPO is requesting eligibility for costs that are clearly outside of the scope of this proceeding. In response to a similar request by FRPO within the Union Gas EB-2017-0091 proceeding, the board rendered the following decision within Procedural Order No. 1, June 2, 2017:

"In the OEB's Notice of Hearing, the OEB indicated that intervenor cost claims would be allowed only for certain specifically listed accounts/issues in the proceeding. In its intervention request, FRPO argued that gas supply issues, which were not specified by the OEB as being cost eligible, should be eligible for cost awards. In reply, Union Gas filed a letter dated May 19, 2017 opposing the request of FRPO. Union Gas noted that there is a separate on-going proceeding that the OEB has convened to develop a framework to assess the gas supply plans of the utilities (EB-2017-0129). Furthermore, Union Gas is not seeking any specific approval related to the information filed on Incremental Transportation Contracting Analysis in its current application.

Having reviewed FRPO's request and Union Gas' submission on this issue, the OEB has determined that it will not allow cost claims from cost eligible parties in relation to gas supply issues in this proceeding. The OEB notes that Union Gas is not seeking any specific approval in the current proceeding in relation to information filed in support of its gas supply plan. Further, there is an ongoing proceeding (EB-2017-0129) in which FRPO could raise any questions or concerns in relation to gas supply issues."

Ultimately, while Enbridge does not object to the request for intervenor status by FRPO, Enbridge does object to FRPO's request to expand the scope of the proceeding to include issues which have no basis for scrutiny within it.

If you have any questions concerning this application and evidence please contact me at (416)495-6350

Yours truly,

(Original Signed)

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All Interested Parties EB-2017-0102 (via email)