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BY E-MAIL

October 16, 2017

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## **LETTER OF DIRECTION**

Dear Mr. Mandyam:

Re: Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge Gas)

2018 Rate Adjustment Application

Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2017-0086

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for Enbridge Gas' application for its 2018 rate adjustment (Notice). The OEB acknowledges the fact that Enbridge Gas is being proactive in proposing abatement activities. The OEB has decided that it will review the 2018 rate adjustment request separately from the capand-trade related proposals in the current application. Enbridge Gas is instructed to remove the cap-and-trade related proposals (i.e. the Geothermal Energy Service Program and the Renewable Natural Gas Enabling Program) from the current application and file those proposals on a standalone basis under OEB File No. EB-2017-0319. The OEB has issued Notice at this time with the understanding that evidence related to the cap-and-trade proposals will be removed and re-filed in the noted standalone application. The OEB will provide further direction with respect to the standalone proceeding after the Decision and Rate Order has been issued in Enbridge's 2018 rate adjustment proceeding. Please note that you must serve the Notice to the parties identified below within four days of the date of this letter. If service is not possible within four days, you must inform the Registrar (Registrar@ontarioenergyboard.ca) immediately.

## You are directed:

- 1. To arrange immediately for the service of each of the enclosed English and French versions of the Notice, in the exact form accompanying this letter, except:
  - a. For the English version of the Notice, under the sections entitled "BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY" and "ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS" remove the bold and bracketed words "[insert actual date 5 calendar days from the date the notice is posted on the applicant's website]"; and
  - b. For the French version of the Notice, under the sections entitled "SOYEZ RENSEIGNÉ ET DONNEZ VOTRE OPINION" and "AUDIENCES ORALES ET AUDIENCES ÉCRITES" remove the bold and bracketed words "[insérer la date correspondant à 5 jours calendaires suivant la date que l'avis est affiché sur le site web de la requérante]"; and
  - c. In each of the English and the French version of the Notice, insert the same date which shall be determined by adding 5 calendar days to the date that the Notice will be posted on Enbridge Gas' website in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 4 below. If that date falls on a "holiday" as defined in Rule 6.02 of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, insert the next date that is not a holiday. Use the following date format "January 1, 2014" for the English Notice and the following date format for the French Notice "1 janvier 2014".
- 2. Once the the requirements of paragraph 1 are completed, to immediately and prior to completing any other steps required in this letter of direction, file with the OEB a pdf version of the complete (dated) Notice (Dated Notice).
- 3. No later than the date the Notice is posted on Enbridge Gas' website in accordance with paragraph 4, to serve a copy of each of the enclosed English and French versions of the Dated Notice, the application and the evidence, directly on:
  - All First Nation Bands and First Nation Reserves to which Enbridge Gas supplies gas
  - The Métis Nation of Ontario

- All intervenors in Enbridge Gas' Custom IR rate adjustment proceeding EB-2012-0459 and Enbridge Gas' 2017 rate adjustment proceeding EB-2016-0215
- Union Gas Limited
- Natural Resource Gas Limited
- 4. To make a copy of both the English and French versions of the Dated Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at Enbridge Gas' office and in a prominent place on Enbridge Gas' website.
- 5. To file with the OEB an affidavit in both electronic and paper forms proving completion of the matters in paragraphs 1 through 4 above immediately thereafter.
- 6. To provide a copy of the Dated Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any documents or materials when serving the Dated Notice other than documents or materials expressly required by this letter of direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kristi Sebalj Registrar

Encl.

c: Mr. David Stevens, Aird & Berlis LLP