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Ms. Walli

This submission documents my opposition to the proposed merger between Enbridge and Union Gas, File # EB-2017-0306. The OEB is not an impartial agency as stated in media announcement. So in opposing this merger, opposition to the merger cannot be separated from the regulatory agencies that make our energy policies operate the way they do. While Ontarians spend more and more for the energy they consume, the OEB, and its foundational economic ideology promoted with industry, remain beyond democratic control and accountability. The merger reduces competition and aids centralized industrial control – both antithetical to providing affordable energy under public control. Please ensure this opposition is recorded accurately.

Further, in connection with public accountability and “impartiality”, my effort to submit a letter online using OEB tools resulted in my message not being sent, and, this is the killer, I was told that this OEB process did not work with Google Chrome!!!! Presumably, millions of people would have to configure their computers to make submissions. This is not a publicly responsible nor accountable process. Please respond to this concern with the details of how the OEB will ensure this never happens again.

Given that being forced to submit my input via Canada Post may result in my submission arriving late, please ensure it is NOT excluded from public feedback due to OEB mismanagement.

Sincerely, *Michael Tims*  
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