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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

Dear Ms. Walli,

## RE: EB-2017-0306/EB-2017-0307 — Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited Application for Amalgamation and Rate-Setting Mechanism

On behalf of the London Property Management Association, I am writing to support the submissions of Mr. Shepherd on behalf of the School Energy Coalition regarding the one day technical conference that has been scheduled for Wednesday.

Like other parties also supporting Mr. Shepherd's request of adding at least one day to the schedule for the technical conference, LPMA is working through the more than 4,000 pages of interrogatory responses that were not received from the utilities until Friday evening.

Having reviewed about 40% of the responses, LPMA has about an hour of technical conference questions. Extrapolating this to reviewing all of the evidence, will result in LPMA having about 2.5 hours of questions. This amount of time could be reduced, if LPMA had more time to review the interrogatory responses, which include many answers that refer to other interrogatory responses.

LPMA has also seen the submission of Mr. Brett on behalf of the Building Owners and Managers Association, in which Mr. Brett suggests both an increase in the number of days for the technical conference and a change in the timing of the conference until after the Easter weekend.

LPMA believes that delaying the technical conference until after the Easter weekend would be of benefit in terms of the amount of time each intervenor will need at the technical conference. Intervenors would have sufficient time to digest the interrogatory responses and narrow the focus of their technical conference questions, thereby reducing the amount of time required.

LPMA believes that delaying the commencement of the technical conference to April 3<sup>rd</sup> or April 4<sup>th</sup> would enable the conference to be completed in two days. If the conference

is not delayed until after the Easter weekend, one additional day, on top of the one day currently scheduled, may not be enough time to ensure that hearing time is not taken up with questions and clarifications better suited to a technical conference.

Yours very truly,

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