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**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas
Limited**

**Application for approval to amalgamate Enbridge Gas
Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited and for approval
of a rate-setting mechanism and associated parameters
from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2028**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4

March 27, 2018

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge Gas) and Union Gas Limited (Union Gas), jointly referred to as the applicants, filed an application dated November 2, 2017 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 43(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for approval to effect the amalgamation of Enbridge Gas and Union Gas into a single company referred to as Amalco. On November 23, 2017, the applicants filed another application with the OEB under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for approval of a rate setting mechanism and associated parameters, effective January 1, 2019.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on December 1, 2017 for both applications. In Decision and Procedural Order No. 3 issued on March 1, 2018, the OEB combined the two proceedings and approved an issues list for the combined proceeding. The OEB also set dates for other procedural matters including the scheduling of a technical conference.

On March 23, 2018, the applicants filed their interrogatory responses. By letter dated March 26, 2018, the School Energy Coalition (SEC) requested that more days be added to the technical conference. The technical conference is currently scheduled for one day on March 28, 2018. SEC noted that it required a significant amount of time to ask

supplemental questions at the technical conference given the volume of information filed. The Building Owners and Managers Association, the Federation of Rental Housing Providers of Ontario and the Consumers Council of Canada filed letters supporting the request of SEC.

The OEB agrees that additional time may be required at the technical conference in order to allow for clarification or follow-up questions. Accordingly, the OEB will schedule additional time for the technical conference.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. A transcribed technical conference will be held in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, on **March 28 and 29, 2018**, starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the technical conference will continue on **April 3, 2018**, at 9:30 a.m.
2. Any technical conference undertakings shall be filed with the OEB and served on all intervenors by **April 5, 2018**.
3. There will be no change to any of the other procedural steps (#7 to #10) outlined in Decision and Procedural Order No. 3.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2017-0306 and EB-2017-0307** and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>. Two paper copies must also be filed. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <http://www.oeb.ca/OEB/Industry>. If the web portal is not available, parties may email their documents to the address below.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

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