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Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership Application for Leave to Construct Natural Gas Distribution Pipelines to serve the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine, and the Township of Huron-Kinloss
Board File No.: EB-2018-0263**

We are counsel to Anwaatin Inc. (**Anwaatin**). Please find enclosed Anwaatin's Notice of Intervention requesting intervenor status and cost eligibility in the above-noted proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan McGillivray", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jonathan McGillivray

- c. Bruce Brandell and Dana Bissoondatt, EPCOR Utilities Inc.
Richard King, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP
Larry Sault, Anwaatin Inc.
Don Richardson, Shared Value Solutions Ltd.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B, as amended (the **Act**) and the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M. 55, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership under section 90 of the Act for an order or orders granting leave to construct natural gas distribution pipelines and ancillary facilities to serve the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

EB-2018-0263

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

ANWAATIN INC.

April 15, 2019

A. Application for Intervenor Status

1. Anwaatin Inc. hereby requests intervenor status in the matter of the application by EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership under section 90 of the Act for an order or orders granting leave to construct natural gas distribution pipelines and ancillary facilities to serve the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss (the **Application**). This notice of intervention is filed pursuant to Rule 22 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

B. Anwaatin and its Interest in the Proceeding

2. Anwaatin is an Indigenous business corporation that works with Indigenous communities in linked energy markets that include Ontario, Quebec, California and Manitoba. Anwaatin's mission is to ensure that Indigenous communities are afforded reliable and affordable energy and have a central role in energy-related climate change action. Its business focusses on (i) access to efficient electricity and natural gas energy solutions for indigenous communities; (ii) ensuring Indigenous communities have reliable energy transmission and distribution in order to meet basic needs and facilitate economic development; (iii) addressing poor electricity reliability and the disparate and adverse impacts that it has on Indigenous communities and Aboriginal rights; and (iv) strengthening distributed energy resources in Indigenous communities to facilitate resilience and efficient electrification solutions to address climate change.
3. Anwaatin has been active in representing various Indigenous interests before the Board in a number of natural gas and electricity proceedings. Anwaatin was, in addition, an intervenor in the combined proceeding in which the Board selected EPCOR Southern Bruce Gas Inc. as the successful proponent to expand natural gas service to communities within the municipalities of Arran-Elderslie and Kincardine and the Township of Huron-Kinloss (EB-2016-0137 / EB-2016-0138 / EB-2016-0139).
4. Anwaatin hopes to provide the Board with the unique perspective of the disproportionate number of Indigenous communities currently living in energy poverty in Ontario. It also provides stakeholder views on the differential impact of natural gas franchise and related matters on remote and near-remote communities. To assist the Board in responding to these issues, Anwaatin will address unique consideration of, and potential solutions for, indigenous peoples in this proceeding.

C. Nature and Scope of Anwaatin's Intended Participation

5. Anwaatin intends to be an active participant in this proceeding and will act responsibly to coordinate with other intervenors where common issues may arise and may be addressed. Anwaatin intends to participate actively to request information, assess any motions, test evidence, submit written interrogatories, and provide argument. Anwaatin may also submit evidence subject to the development of the record in this proceeding.

D. Costs

6. Anwaatin is, in accordance with s. 3.03(b) of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards, eligible to seek an award of costs as Anwaatin is a party that primarily represents an interest or policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding.
7. Anwaatin represents the interests of a unique and otherwise unrepresented set of Indigenous energy consumers in Ontario and is committed to ensuring that they are served through access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern natural gas service. Anwaatin requests an award of costs in this proceeding given that its comments serve a direct interest and policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and pressing for Ontario's energy consumers. Anwaatin recently entered into a Settlement Agreement with Hydro One providing for "non-wires" and distributed energy resource solutions to the reliability disparity in Indigenous communities.¹
8. Anwaatin therefore submits that it is appropriate for the Board to award Anwaatin costs in the context of this proceeding, and hereby requests cost eligibility.

E. Anwaatin's Representatives

9. Anwaatin hereby requests that further communications with respect to this proceeding be sent to the following:

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¹ See EB-2017-0335, Anwaatin Inc. and Hydro One Networks Inc. Settlement Proposal (June 15, 2018).

AND TO ITS CONSULTANT

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED THIS
15th day of April, 2019.



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