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Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli,

Re: Budd Energy Inc. Request for Participation in the Ontario Energy Board Consultation to Review Natural Gas Supply Plans, No. EB-2019-0137

Please accept this letter by Budd Energy Inc. ("BEI") as a formal request for our participation in the *Consultation to Review Natural Gas Supply Plans* for the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB" or "the Board") Case Number EB-2019-0137.

BEI acts for various Ontario natural gas producers and potential commercial natural gas end-users, located outside of urban gas-serviced areas, or Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") areas. BEI is currently acting for New Leaf and Metalore in OEB No. EB-2019-0089 and provides industry and regulatory advice to Lagasco Inc.

BEI has experience with, and an interest in, the circumstances and conditions regarding how local Ontario gas is produced, sold, and delivered to Ontario gas utilities, as well as to natural gas Field-Line Customers ("FLCs") and new incremental loads. BEI has some practical recommendations for the applicant's consideration and the Board's deliberations, which are based on sustaining a healthy Ontario resource-based sector to the benefit of natural gas end-users, while maintaining local employment opportunities.

BEI intends to intervene in this proceeding for the limited purpose of exploring issues related to local Ontario production and delivery of limited volumes at competitive market prices and at normal commercial industry conditions. BEI reserves the right to participate in the proceeding, including any settlement conference(s), adduce evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and submit argument.

BEI will work closely with other hearing participants to narrow the issues and provide expedient suggestions to the Board. BEI is not requesting an award of costs for its limited participation in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Mr. Peter B Budd President and Chief Executive Officer