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Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
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27-2300 Yonge Street  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (“ENGLP”) Southern Bruce Project  
EB-2018-0263 Leave to Construct Application  
Condition of Approval #4 – Stage 2 Archeological Assessment**

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Pursuant to the Board’s Condition of Approval #4 of the Leave to Construct Conditions of Approval at Schedule B of its Decision and Order dated July 11, 2019, enclosed is the clearance letter from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (Ministry) dated August 1, 2019 confirming that the fieldwork and reporting for the Stage 2 Archeological Assessment are consistent with the Ministry’s 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences.

Two paper copies of this cover letter and clearance letter will be filed with the Board.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*[Original signed by]*

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Aug 1, 2019

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**RE: Review and Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment: Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline to Serve Southern Bruce, Mainline Component. Geographical Townships of Bruce, Greenock, Brant, Elderslie, Bentinck, and Sullivan, now Municipality of Kincardine, Municipality of Brockton, Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of West Grey, and Township of Chatsworth, Bruce and Grey Counties, Ontario", Dated Jun 19, 2019, Filed with MTCS Toronto Office on Jun 24, 2019, MTCS Project Information Form Number P362-0259-2019, MTCS File Number 0010930**

Dear Dr. Popkin:

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report, which has been submitted to this ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18.<sup>1</sup> This review has been carried out in order to determine whether the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their licence, that the licensee assessed the property and documented archaeological resources using a process that accords with the 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* set by the ministry, and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations are consistent with the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario.

The report documents the assessment of the study area as depicted in Figures 15-1 to 15-32 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

No archaeological resources were documented during the Stage 2 assessment of the mainline segment of the Project, from the Domach Meter Station to Bruce Centre. Therefore, in accordance with Section 2.2 and Section 7.8.4 of the MTCS' 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* (Government of Ontario 2011), no further archaeological assessment of the surveyed areas of the study area is required.

The Shiloh Community Cemetery is documented within the mainline component study area [see Figure 15-26]. Cemetery lands should be avoided from any proposed impacts by the Project. Lands adjacent to the extant boundaries of historic cemeteries require Stage 3 Cemetery Investigations to confirm the extent of any burials within that boundary, in accordance with O. Reg 30/11: General (Government of Ontario 2011b) of the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act* (Government of Ontario 2002) and the prescriptions of the MTCS. Under the observation of a licensed archaeologist, the topsoil should be mechanically

excavated using a smooth bucket to expose the underlying subsoil. The exposed subsoil should then be examined to confirm the absence of any exposed human remains or grave shafts. In the event that human remains are identified, the police or coroner should be contacted to determine if they are forensic remains, as outlined in the Advice on Compliance with Legislation (Section 5.0). Once that determination has been made and any forensic concern has been cleared, excavation should proceed as stated above until a 10 metre buffer of sterile subsoil, as feasible given the constraints of the study area, has been exposed outward around the extent of the identified remains. The Cemeteries Registrar should be contacted and the site protected from any proposed impacts until a decision is made regarding their mitigation, either by protection and avoidance or disinterment and reburial.

The MTCS is asked to review and accept this report into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports.

Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment are consistent with the ministry's 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences. This report has been entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Andres Zumbado, EPCOR Utilities Inc.  
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<sup>1</sup> *In no way will the ministry be liable for any harm, damages, costs, expenses, losses, claims or actions that may result: (a) if the Report(s) or its recommendations are discovered to be inaccurate, incomplete, misleading or fraudulent; or (b) from the issuance of this letter. Further measures may need to be taken in the event that additional artifacts or archaeological sites are identified or the Report(s) is otherwise found to be inaccurate, incomplete, misleading or fraudulent.*