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Mr. Mark Kitchen
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Dear Mr. Kitchen:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas)
Application for 2020 Rates
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2019-0194**

On October 8, 2019, Enbridge Gas filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to adjust its rates effective January 1, 2020, based on the OEB's incentive rate-setting framework (IRM Application) approved in the amalgamation proceeding (EB-2017-0306/0307). Enbridge Gas' application also includes a request for incremental capital and a review of an update to the cost allocation study for the Union Rate Zones. In your cover-letter dated October 8, 2019, you note that Enbridge Gas is filing supporting evidence only in relation to the IRM Application and that the evidence in relation to the request for incremental capital and the cost allocation study would follow in October and mid-November, respectively. On October 25, 2019, Enbridge Gas filed its evidence in respect of its incremental capital request and reiterated that the evidence in relation to the cost allocation study would be filed by mid-November.

Enbridge Gas has requested that the OEB determine the IRM Application in advance of its consideration of the request for incremental capital and review of the cost allocation study. Enbridge Gas states that its proposed approach will allow it to implement base rates effective January 1, 2020, with other adjustments, if any, to be implemented later. Enbridge Gas states that its request is consistent with the OEB's decision in its 2019

rates application¹ relating to the complexity and timing of Enbridge Gas' application for 2020 rates. Enbridge Gas also states that it is committed to getting its rate adjustment process "back on track" in future years, so that rates can be implemented for January 1st of each year without having to resort to extraordinary process.

The OEB has commenced its review of Enbridge Gas' application. For the purposes of regulatory efficiency and cost effectiveness, the OEB will proceed to issue a single Notice of Hearing in respect of the three elements of the application. The OEB's direction on how the application will be processed and the related procedural steps will be communicated in due course.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Khalil Viraney, Project Advisor, at 416-440-7729 or Khalil.Viraney@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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¹ EB-2018-0305