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BY EMAIL

The Honourable Greg Rickford
Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines

The Honourable Bill Walker
Associate Minister of Energy

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December 12, 2019

Dear Ministers,

Re: Section 35 Letter on Potential Projects to Expand Access to Natural Gas Distribution Systems for New Customers

Thank you for your letter of today's date requesting that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) examine and report back to the Ministry on information regarding potential projects to expand access to natural gas distribution systems for new customers.

The OEB is pleased to apply its expertise in developing a timely and efficient process to solicit and analyze proposed natural gas expansion projects in support of your stated objectives. We anticipate that we will be in a position to issue draft guidelines for stakeholder comment in the very near term to facilitate completion of our report in accordance with the expectations outlined in your letter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Dodds".

Robert Dodds
Acting Chair and Vice Chair
Ontario Energy Board

cc: MaryAnne Aldred, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, OEB

