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January 8, 2020

Christine Long Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long:

Re: EB-2019-0172 - Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge Gas") – Windsor Line Replacement Project Leave to Construct ("LTC") Application – Response to FRPO Request for an Oral Hearing

Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge Gas") is writing in response to a letter filed by the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario ("FRPO") with the Ontario Energy Board ("the Board"). In its letter dated January 4, 2020, FRPO is requesting the Board hold an Oral Hearing in the above noted proceeding.

Enbridge Gas submits that an Oral Hearing is not necessary and there is a fulsome record (with abundant evidence) to allow the OEB to determine if the LTC application is in the public interest. Numerous interrogatories were answered and Enbridge Gas also provided and completed substantial undertakings stemming from the Technical Conference. Many of the undertakings completed by Enbridge Gas are the same areas of scope for which FRPO is now requesting to explore via an Oral Hearing. The submissions in FRPO's letter represent argument and do not justify further discovery. These submissions by FRPO can be made in argument. Accordingly, Enbridge Gas submits that the Board should continue with the dates for submissions as outlined in Procedural Order No.4 dated December 23, 2019 and Enbridge Gas will address FRPO's concerns in its Reply Argument as necessary.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

(Original Signed)

Rakesh Torul Technical Manager, Regulatory Applications

cc: EB-2019-0172 Intervenors