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Subject: Enbridge proposal for fracked gas pipeline

Christine Long, Secretary of Ontario Energy Board

This message is in reference to the 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion Project.

We live just south of the area where Enbridge is proposing to build a new 48-inch fracked gas pipeline. This pipeline would cut across some of Hamilton's most ecologically sensitive lands, including the Beverly Swamp, Spencer Creek, Bronte Creek, and publicly owned properties of the Hamilton Conservation Authority.

We are very concerned about the ecological damage from fracking gas which should remain in the ground, considering the climate crisis caused by the use of fossil fuels. The demand for gas should be decreasing significantly and the fracking process is extremely dangerous for the environment.

Why does gas extracted in Pennsylvania and sold in the Eastern United States have to be conveyed through Canada? One answer is that the government of New York has banned fracking and is opposing the construction of new fossil fuel pipelines carrying fracked gas. Are the States smarter than we are?

We are also concerned about the ecological damage from building another pipeline through the area proposed, which is in the Greenbelt. Blasting will be required and a huge swath will be bulldozed.

The damage from this pipeline cannot be justified economically. We must encourage the growth of sustainable energy production and stop subsidizing the fossil fuel industry.

We urge you to fully consider the climatic implications of this pipeline, including the damage and methane emissions from extracting gas by fracking, and the carbon dioxide emissions from burning this fossil fuel, as well as the damage from construction of a pipeline.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ron and Mary Sealey