January 30, 2020

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: EB-2019-0271- Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for 2021 Demand Side Management Plans

I am a consultant to the Consumers Council of Canada ("Council"). I have been instructed by my client to intervene in the proceeding to consider the Application to the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB") by Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge") for approval for it 2021 Demand Side Management Programs ("DSM"). The Council is a public-interest entity which represents the interests of residential consumers in Ontario. The Board's order in this proceeding will ultimately impact the rates that residential consumers pay for the delivery of natural gas and the DSM programs funded by and offered to those customers.

We are seeking late intervention status. I simply did not record the deadline when I received the Notice of Application on December 18, 2019.

On December 10, 2018, the Council filed with the Board, pursuant to Rule 22.03 of the Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a document describing the Council, its mandate and objectives, membership, the constituency represented, and the types of activities the Council carries out. In addition, we provided a list of the individuals authorized to represent the Council in Board proceedings.

The nature and scope of the Council's intended participation in the proceeding will be the following:

- 1. To test and assess the Applicant's evidence regarding its DSM programs including budgets, targets and incentive structures; and
- 2. To participate in the various aspects of the proceeding which may include an interrogatory process, a technical conference, a settlement conference and a hearing.

The Council intends to ask for an order of costs in this proceeding. The Council has participated in many Enbridge proceedings over a long period of time. In all of those proceedings the Council has been recognized as being eligible for an award of costs. In the absence of an award of costs the Council would be unable to participate in this proceeding.

Copies of all correspondence related to this proceeding and hard copies of the Applicant's evidence should be sent to:

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Please let us know if any further information from the Council is required at this time.

Yours truly,

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