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To the Ontario Energy Board,

I am writing to provide comments on the Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion (#EB-2019-0159). I strongly believe that you must consider the climate emergency when reviewing the proposed new 48" Enbridge fracked gas pipeline across Hamilton, and indeed, in reviewing any future applications of this nature.

The climate emergency is possibly the most important economic, environmental and social issue of our time, and so should be considered in all decisions that we make. We are running out of time to contain climate change to a level that will not pose an existential threat to humanity and much of life on earth. We simply cannot make any more decisions that lead us in the wrong direction. The fossil fuel industry has proven that it cannot be trusted to act in the best interests of our communities by continually hiding important scientific information from the public, lobbying against environmental protections and putting profits over public good. Ontarians count on regulatory bodies to keep them safe, and projects of this sort directly put the safety of current and future Ontarians at risk by contributing to climate change and other environmental problems. The pipeline will also run through environmentally significant lands that provide valuable ecosystem services that Hamiltonians count on, such as water retention and purification. These ecosystem services have economic value and thus should also be considered when assessing the project.

There are obviously many concerns surrounding this project that should be considered fully before the OEB makes a decision. Therefore, I urge you to hold a fully transparent oral hearing so that all stakeholders have a chance to discuss these issues and come to a resolution that will serve the common good. As a young Ontarian, I have

concerns about how these projects will impact my future, and I believe that myself and all Ontarians have a right to have our voices heard.

Sincerely,

Mara McHaffie

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