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Subject: RE: Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion, #EB-2019-0159

Ontario Energy Board,

I am very concerned about the proposed Enbridge expansion project, currently before the OEB (#EB-2019-0159).

First of all, I feel it is critical for transparency, that this hearing be an oral hearing, open to the public.

Secondly, I understand that the OEB is asking the public if it should consider the impact that this new fracked gas pipeline will have from both the up- and down-stream (extraction and burning) of this fossil fuel.

We are currently in a serious climate emergency, of planetary proportion. The best science in the world has told us that we have only the next 10 years to severely limit the generation of greenhouse gases, to prevent significant suffering and destruction of the biosphere, including plant life and animal life, including humans.

There is no question that this pipeline is an expansion, an increase in infrastructure, designed to be used for decades to come. We don't have decades. We have one decade, in which to turn this ship around. The first rule when finding oneself in a hole, is to stop digging. At the very minimum, no new infrastructure should be built. In fact, we need to rapidly wean ourselves off of fossil fuels.

You absolutely have a requirement to include climate change, as not just one of the factors in your deliberations, but frankly, as the top consideration. Please put yourself on the right side of history in this decision. There is no more time for 'business as usual'.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to following your process on this.

Susan Wortman