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Dear OEB people

I urge the OEB to hold a fully transparent oral hearing on this matter.

Humanity is rapidly running out of time to transform our economy and redefine our relationship to the land: this means no more business as usual.

There are risks and costs associated with more greenhouse gas pollution and the development of the industries involved in it such as Enbridge Gas do not want you to consider these costs.

The world's climate scientists warned in October 2018 that we must cut greenhouse gas emissions at least in half by 2030, and since then the warnings have become more dire.

We should not allow the fossil fuel industry to keep pretending as though they have the solutions to our problems. The land and planet can not always be sacrificed for their short term profits.

We have recognized the deep connection between the climate emergency and the fossil fuel industry, making it especially outrageous to allow these companies greater control over the future of our planet.

Moreover, we need the OEB to begin immediately to inform the public about how to plan for a world where LNG (liquefied natural gas) and other non-renewable fossil fuels are no longer a feasible or tenable fuel source. What are the alternative fuel sources that we should be converting to now that do not compromise our climate imperatives to

reduce and sequester carbon dioxide from the atmosphere? If such an alternative is a wood-fuel, how can the public, government and private sector begin now to activate the mass plantation of the trees we would require to meet our urgent needs for renewable heating and cooking fuels to replace LNG?

With the growing recognition of the need for renewable wood resources for use in production energy as well as in 'green' construction, there will be massive overlapping cohorts of interest in accessing wood resources and we must immediately commence plantations in planning for this. AND given the growing expertise and knowledge of the elegant efficiency of multi-strata agroforestry, this should be done, not as one dimensional mono-cultural plantations, but as multidimensional farms that produce all at once: food, fodder, fuel, fibre, fertilizer, farmaceuticals (medicine), fun (recreation) and education.

Thank you for considering my thoughts in this regard.

~Adrian

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