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February, 9, 2020

Attn: Board Members of the Ontario Energy Board

Re: Proposed Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion Project

The mandate of the Ontario Energy Board includes 'thinking about the long-term needs of the energy sector and developing regulatory policy to meet emerging challenges'. Its mission includes 'strengthening and sustaining the confidence of consumers during a period of accelerating change'. The Ontario Energy Board has the potential to take a leadership role in safeguarding the public interest and confidence in the context of Climate Change -in particular the long term interests of our children and grandchildren- by rejecting the Enbridge proposal to build a new fracked gas pipeline through Ontario, rejecting new gas infrastructure in general, and investing in alternative energy sources instead. At a minimum, the OEB should hold a fully transparent oral hearing into the Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion Project.

In the best interests of the Ontario public and indeed the global community, the time to stop fossil fuel projects is now. The science is clear – the climate crisis is upon us and we are running out of time to mitigate the extreme damage caused by global heating. Droughts, wildfires and extreme weather events are becoming common place. The Canadian North is heating faster than any other part of the world. The destruction to the natural environment is truly despairing. It is time for all sectors and government levels to embrace green technology. As it stands now, Trudeau's call for a net-zero emissions economy by 2050 is a farce. We can no longer allow the fossil fuel industry to expand and carry on as if the health of the planet is of no concern. We have recognized a climate emergency that is largely caused by fossil fuels, so it is especially outrageous to increase the extraction or transportation of more fossil fuels. Please act in the best interests of our planet and all living things.

Sincerely,

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