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Subject: OEB needs to consider climate impacts of Enbridge gas pipeline

To Ontario Energy Board,

I am writing you as an Ontarian, and disillusioned Conservative.

In a time when the impacts of global warming are being felt more and more catastrophically - it is shocking to watch our government dismantle opportunities to switch over to renewable energy sources, and instead, increase our reliance on fossil fuels.

Increasing natural gas pipeline capacity does not square with Ontario's environment plan which relies on a significant decrease in natural gas emissions to meet its carbon pollution reductions.

Fossil fuel project reviews, such as of Enbridge's Dawn-Parkway gas pipeline, must consider the climate impacts of upstream extraction and downstream consumption

Pipeline reviews need to assess the economic risks of projects in the face of global commitments to reduce fossil fuel use, especially when Ontario ratepayers subsidize pipeline costs.

OEB reviews of energy projects need to consider alternatives like investments in energy efficiency, conservation and renewable energy.

Pipeline assessments need to seriously consider impacts to species at risk and ecosystems from construction and leaks. Those ecological studies need to happen before a review is conducted, not after.

Hold a fully transparent oral hearing, open to the public. The Enbridge Dawn-Parkway pipeline proposal affects all people living in Ontario.

Time to LISTEN to what Ontarians want.

Kathy Margittai

Yours truly,

Kathy Margittai