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Subject: Enbridge's Dawn-Parkway gas pipeline proposal

To Ontario Energy Board,

One of the biggest concerns I, and many other Canadians have regarding our future is how we are going to address climate change. To learn that our provincial government has the intention to invest in expanding a gas pipeline is shocking. Not only is this energy source a large contributor of greenhouse gas pollution but, this pipeline would allow the import of gas from the US that is sourced through fracking, a method that does substantial harm to the environment. 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. 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. This proposal for a pipeline expansion is short-sighted and a disgusting display of greed and ignorance and we as Canadians should be a leader in building a sustainable future.

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