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#### **VIA RESS**

Ms. Christine E Long Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Registrar

Dear Ms. Long:

### Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. – Voluntary Renewable Natural Gas Program Application Board File No.: EB-2020-0066

We are counsel to Anwaatin Inc. (**Anwaatin**). Please find enclosed Anwaatin's Notice of Intervention requesting intervenor status and cost eligibility in the above-noted proceeding.

Sincerely,

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Jonathan McGillivray

c. Brandon Ott, Enbridge Gas Inc. David Stevens, Aird & Berlis LLP Larry Sault, Anwaatin Inc. Don Richardson

#### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B, as amended (the **Act**);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for an order or orders related to its Voluntary Renewable Natural Gas Program;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for an order or orders amending or varying the rates charged to customers for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas commencing as of January 1, 2021.

# EB-2020-0066

# NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

### ANWAATIN INC.

### A. Application for Intervenor Status

Anwaatin Inc. (Anwaatin) in the matter of the application of Enbridge Gas Inc. (the Applicant) to the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB or the Board), pursuant to section 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, as amended (the Act), for an Order or Orders enabling the Applicant to commence the operation of its Voluntary Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Program (the Program) as set out in the Applicant's application filed March 5, 2020 (the Application). This notice of intervention is filed pursuant to Rule 22 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

### B. Anwaatin and its Interest in the Proceeding

- 2. Anwaatin is an Indigenous business corporation that works with Indigenous communities in linked energy markets that include Ontario, Quebec, California and Manitoba. Anwaatin's mission is to ensure that Indigenous communities are afforded reliable and affordable energy and have a central role in energy-related climate change action. Its business focusses on (i) access to efficient electricity and natural gas energy solutions for indigenous communities; (ii) ensuring Indigenous communities have reliable energy transmission and distribution in order to meet basic needs and facilitate economic development; (iii) addressing poor electricity reliability and the disparate and adverse impacts that it has on Indigenous communities to facilitate resilience and efficient electrification solutions to address climate change.
- 3. Anwaatin's Indigenous membership for this proceeding presently includes Aroland First Nation, Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek Nation, and Ginoogaming First Nation (the Anwaatin First Nations). Additional Indigenous communities may be confirmed as members of Anwaatin for this proceeding. The Anwaatin First Nations each have traditional territory, and associated rights and interests protected by the *Constitution Act, 1982*, that may be impacted by the outcomes of this proceeding and the Program.
- 4. Anwaatin has been active in representing various Indigenous interests before the Board in a number of electricity and natural gas proceedings, including the Town of Marathon's North Shore project (EB-2018-0329); Enbridge's Chatham-Kent (EB-2018-0188) and Georgian Sands (EB-2018-0226) leave to construct proceedings, the Southern Bruce franchise proceeding (EB-2016-0137 / EB-2016-0138 / EB-2016-0139), EPCOR Natural Gas Limited

Partnership's Southern Bruce leave to construct (EB-2018-0263) and rates (EB-2018-0264) proceedings, Hydro One's applications for approval to increase electricity transmission rates (EB-2016-0160 and EB-2019-0082), Hydro One's application to increase 2018-2022 electricity distribution rates (EB-2017-0049), Hydro One's application for approval of a Revenue Cap Index adjustment for its 2019 revenue requirement (EB-2018-0130), and the East-West Tie Line / Lake Superior Link combined proceeding (EB-2017-0182 / EB-2017-0194 / EB-2017-0364).

5. Anwaatin hopes to provide the Board with the unique perspective of the disproportionate number of Indigenous communities currently living in energy poverty in Ontario and the role of RNG in facilitating responses to energy poverty issues. Anwaatin has a significant interest in RNG and referred to its interest as part of its participation in the consultation on the Applicant's natural gas supply plan (EB-2019-0137).

# C. Nature and Scope of Anwaatin's Intended Participation

6. Anwaatin intends to be an active participant in this proceeding and will act responsibly to coordinate with other intervenors, where common issues may arise and may be addressed. Anwaatin intends to participate to request information, participate in any requisite motions, test evidence through the stipulated processes, submit written interrogatories, if applicable, and provide submissions. Subject to the development of the record in this matter, Anwaatin may also submit evidence.

# D. Costs

- 7. Anwaatin hereby requests cost eligibility in this proceeding. Anwaatin is, in accordance with s. 3.03(b) of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards, eligible to seek an award of costs as Anwaatin is a party that primarily represents an interest or policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding.
- 8. Anwaatin represents the interests of a unique and otherwise unrepresented set of Indigenous energy consumers in Ontario and is committed to ensuring that they are served through access to an affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern natural gas service. Anwaatin requests an award of costs in this proceeding on the basis that its comments and participation serve a direct interest and policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and pressing for Ontario's energy consumers. The Board has granted Anwaatin

cost eligibility in several Board proceedings, including each of those referred to above in paragraph 4.

9. Anwaatin therefore submits that it is appropriate for the Board to award Anwaatin costs in the context of this proceeding, and hereby requests cost eligibility.

# E. <u>Anwaatin's Representatives</u>

10. Anwaatin hereby requests that further communications with respect to this proceeding be sent to the following:

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020

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