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Dear Mr. Elson:

**Re: Request for intervenor status and cost eligibility  
Environmental Defence Canada Inc.  
Enbridge Gas Inc. – Low Carbon Energy Project  
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2019-0294**

This letter is in response to your request for late intervenor status and cost eligibility on behalf of Environmental Defence Canada Inc. (Environmental Defence) in the above referenced application. Environmental Defence's intervention request was received by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on May 15, 2020, after the date for filing such requests had closed. Environmental Defence states that granting it intervenor status will not delay the proceeding or prejudice any parties and that it will file its interrogatories by the current deadline of May 27, 2020.

Environmental Defence states that its interest in this proceeding is "in promoting both the public interest in environmental protection and the interests of consumers...", including issues related to the justification for the project, assessment of the costs and benefits of the project and project design.

On May 19, 2020, Enbridge Gas informed OEB staff that it did not intend to object to Environmental Defence's intervention request.

The OEB is satisfied that Environmental Defence has a "substantial interest" in the proceeding within the meaning of Rule 22.02 of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and is approved as an intervenor. Environmental Defence is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. Environmental Defence should not engage in detailed exploration of items that are not material and should coordinate its participation on common issues to avoid duplication.

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With respect to Environmental Defence's inquiry regarding the service of its letter, the OEB understands that upon the filing of Environmental Defence's letter, OEB staff notified Enbridge Gas and the letter was posted on the public record. Therefore, further service of the letter is not required.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Christine E. Long  
Board Secretary and Registrar

Attachment

c: All Parties in EB-2019-0294